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This issue begins the 13th year of the *Mondy Morning Chronicle*.

We have just returned from a visit with our kids and grand-kid where we had a very enjoyable time. We had a GREEN Christmas, not a white one. The Armstrong's yard was full of flowers, many in bloom. They have three camellias about 8 to 10 feet high, one bright red, one a delicate pink, and one white. The pink and red one were in bloom, the white about to bloom. The alyssum both royal and white were in full bloom and filled the front lawn with fragrance. Some of Judy's roses were blooming and were beautiful but the most impressive sight were the green lawns, -- so green they hurt the eyes. Brunch was eaten outside under the bougainvillea covered patio -- in full bloom.

We left L.A. on Saturday morning in a rain which continued all day until we neared Flagstaff when it turned to snow, so we stayed in Flagstaff and left Sunday morning about seven-thirty. Arrived home about 4 pm.

Santa must have thought I was a good boy last year for he was good to me. Maybe I'll try harder this year.

It is time for New Year's Resolutions but I found out years ago that if I didn't make any, I wouldn't have any to break so I quit making them.

When I left for L.A. I had two or three letters for the Chronicle but no time to print them so you will find them in this issue. Also, there will be several snips from Greeting Cards, of which I have received

quite a few.

SNIPS:

From Judy and Jim Mondy Springfield, MO

"Thanks for keeping the rest of the family updated on Jim's condition. He is glad to be home and is doing great.

"Glad to read that Margaret is recovering from her fall."

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"Should be able to begin chemo by the first of January. Healing is progressing slowly but surely. I'm ready to get it started and get it behind me.

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"Jessie, my wife, had a slight stroke on the 12th of November. She is receiving home therapy trying to regain use of her left hand.

"In May my son had open-heart surgery and has recovered fine.

"Today, my other son-in-law had surgery for a back injury incurred in a motor-cycle crash."

[Frank, we are all sorry to hear about the happenings in your family and hope 2002 will be a better year. Tell Jessie we will remember her in our prayers.]

From Noal and Jovalene Pemberton.

[Noal was married to my sister Jessie until she died a couple of years ago. Jovalene, whom I have yet to meet but hope to meet soon, is his present wife. Noal used to send me something he called "poetry" but I guess he ran out of inspiration.]

"The reason we have not been able to get together must be our traveling around. We almost made it once but you had to leave for Texas or Calif., don't remember which.

"Yep, we did a lot of traveling in 2001: From January through October we made seven trips, six out-of-state, as follows; January to California, March to Arizona, May to Texas, June to Glenwood Springs, CO, July to New Mexico, spent Aug 29th to Sept. 10 on a trip to Alaska. In October we went to Missouri. Believe it or not, we spent November and December at home.

"We had 18 at our house for Thanksgiving and are expecting 22 for Christmas. Altogether we had a wonderful year.

"Margaret, we were so sorry to hear about your misfortune and we have prayed for a speedy recovery. Hope you will be fully recovered real soon."

From Cona Mondy of Memphis
[Cona was the daughter of Dr. Ryburn of Pocahontas and married to Sular Mondy, the son of Earnest and Frankie Mondy. Sorry I can't remember Dr. Ryburn's first name. Included in Cona's card was a gift to the Chronicle and an old check written by my father Lloyd Mondy to someone in 1943 for \$300.00.]

"Harrison I thought you might like this (the check) but don't ask me how, when, or where I got it. I was just getting rid of a bunch of old papers and found it.

"Margaret, I hope you are OK by now. I have to have an oxygen tank and walk with a walker when I go outside. In the apartment I have a portably tank.

"Thanks for the Chronicle. I love to read the letters from the cousins, especially those from Bessie and RA.

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Short Letter from Ina Hall

"Received the Chronicle and enjoyed reading what all the others are doing.

"Went home to Lockhart several weeks ago. My daughter came for me and spent the weekend.

"My son picked me up and took me to his house to spend Thanksgiving with him and his family. My daughter and her family and his father and mother were there. We had a great time and feasted on turkey and dressing and all the trimmings.

"I was so sorry to hear about Cecil. He lived a long time. I wrote Lois a letter but did not get an answer. I am sure she is not up to writing, but thought her daughter might do so.

"I am glad to read that Margaret is improving.

Love in Christ, Ina.

From the **Duffers** of League City, TX
(Written 5 Dec, too late for last Chronicle)

"We hope this beautiful day catches all of you doing good. We are having such wonderful weather; enough rain to keep us from being too dry and cool enough to make you feel good sitting outside.

We pray all of you had a good and happy Thanksgiving. Since both of our birthdays and Thanksgiving are so close together we just had about a week of celebration. First they gave me a reception for reaching my 90th birthday. It was so good and many came. Our Grandson, Eddie came from Reno, Nevada. He is an FBI Agent and a great guy. He is a deacon and Sunday School teacher and preaches when the preacher is absent.

Bob and June came from Hawaii, got here early in the week so we had a great visit with them. On the day before Thanksgiving, Grandson Robb, SS teacher and computer technologist came from Springfield, MO and two daughters, "Greats" arrived, and Jack, youth minister and lately called to be pastor of a church in Hawaii, his wife and four children arrived making six Greats in all (and are they great?). Also, three Grands (with our only granddaughter here in Houston, a diet exercising technologist,) two sons who are both ordained music and preachers and their wives making 17 in all for Thanksgiving. We went to Son Jerry and his wife Gerry Hart's for a great dinner and good time. Ate until we were stuffed and talked until we were tired out.

Russell's 93rd birthday was on Friday and we went to (unmarried) Granddaughter Alice Hart's for another feast of birthday

goodies. There, the "greats" put on a puppet show for "Papa". Had a wonderful time.

Part of the crowd then left to go home but others stayed until Sunday and we had a most wonderful time all week.

After Bob and June came back from Jack's and left for Hawaii, we sat down to rest and cry a dab. It was the first time we had all been together.

We received 49 greeting cards, 15 of which had letters and did we have fun reading them. Some included money, so we enjoyed and appreciated all of them.

We lived through it all and almost forgot our aches and pains until we sat down after it was all over, then they returned.

Margaret, we were so glad you are recovering and was able to visit you sister on her birthday.

Jim, we were so happy to read that the liver transplant went so well and we pray it will all turn out well.

Hope all of you have a great Christmas and a good New Year.

Russell and RA.

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From **Bessie and Bertha** in Springfield, MO
(Written Dec. 12, too late for last issue)

Soon Christmas, then the New Year. I wonder where all my time has gone. It sure went fast and I am not ready for Christmas. So much has happened this year, but I am happy that I am still up and going, though a bit slower.

I have gained a new great grandson.

Then, **Ann's** oldest granddaughter got married in May and my granddaughter and husband had a little baby girl born on December 7th, weighing in at 6 lb 6 oz, 18 ½ inches long with blond hair, blue eyes, and, according to her parents, **John and Jennifer Robertson**, a good set of lungs. I haven't seen her yet but I bet she is a beautiful baby.

We have had rain most of the day and expect snow tomorrow. I have been working on getting the house decorated for Christmas just doing a bit at a time; too dark and gloomy to do much. Have wrapped a few gifts but haven't made any cookies yet and still have candy to make. As I said, this 84 year old gal is getting slower. *[Don't fret it, Bessie, the earth is slowing down too. In a few years the year will be one second longer than it used to be when we were kids.]*

Sure was glad to hear that **Jim's** liver transplant went so well and they are back in Springfield. **Josie** told **Bertha** that she is now working full time.

May all of you have a happy and prosperous New Year.

Love, Bessie and Bertha.

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From **Ken & Willa Davis** of Crabtree, OR. *[Ken is the son of Bill and Eula (Goings) Davis. Eula was the daughter of Dona (Mondy) Goings the daughter of JC Mondy.]*

"We do enjoy the Chronicle so much. No matter what comes in the mail, it gets read first. So sorry to read of all the deaths and illness but that is part of life.

"Ken and I have not been able to travel as much in 2001 as we had hoped but did get to visit Russell and RA (Duffer) in Texas and **Bertha** (Davis, Bill's sister) Rooker and her family in Arkansas.

"We went to Texas to attend our grandson Jason Speer's wedding and spent about six weeks. The visit was cut short when Ken injured his hand in a chainsaw accident. It recovered pretty well, no missing parts, just tightness and some numbness.

We have another grandchild's wedding coming up in March. Jason's sister, Keri Speer is getting married on March 16th. We expect to "come early and stay late". We had hoped to leave before Thanksgiving but had a "tooth delay" because Ken broke a tooth and is having some dental work done including some "partials". Now hope to leave in January or February.

I appreciate the bits of family tree information we get from time to time. I enter what I get into my family tree.

Love, Ken and Willa Davis.

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From Jean and Jim Thomas of Pocatello, ID. *[Jim is the son of Alma Brewer Thomas, whose Grandmother was Sarah Sammons, sister to Rhoda Alice, grandmother to the JC Mondy cousins. You can figure out what kin Jim is to us. He is brother to Lucille Rundle. They are distant cousins to us. Alma was a charter member of the Chronicle Family]*

(Written Dec 14) "What a perfect day to write a Christmas letter. The schools are closed all over eastern Idaho, and many of the roads are closed, also. Snow, wind, and cold is everywhere. Jim was able to get the pick-up out of the driveway and has gone to get his daily exercise at the mall. And I am trying to finish my Christmas Cards and wrap some presents before Christmas Day.

This year has been mostly uneventful but a good year, basically. Jim's cancer situation is looking very good. His knees are not in such good condition so he is going to have his left knee reconstructed, operation scheduled for Jan 15th. He will be in the hospital about a week, then in rehab for another week. He has been in so much pain and the doctors say that the medication he has been taking will eventually become ineffective. He injured this knee years ago when working at Gate City Steel Corp.

"We have stayed pretty close to home this year. We went on a couple of OCTA field trips and to meetings. On one trip we failed to get into the group and got lost. We simply took an overnight trip to Stanley, ID. Saw some absolutely beautiful country. While there it rained, had a severe thunder-storm with the sky lighted up like 4th of July. We really roughed it that night: no radio, no TV, and no air-conditioning. Hot and humid in the evening; but very cold next morning. We tried to get into Bonanza and Custer near the Yankee Fork section of the Salmon River "of no return" but the heavy rain storms had caused a rock slide on the dirt road going into the area so we had to turn back. This area was famous for dredging for gold in the river. They literally destroyed the land along the river. The dredge was huge and they just stopped the operation and left it there.

"The motels in southeastern Idaho are completely booked for the 2002 Olympics in Salt Lake. Things will be quite busy in this area come February.

"Hope all of you have a great New Year, Jim and Jean.

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From the **Claude and Ella Dee Jinks** family of Houston TX

[Claude is the son of CP Jinks, brother to Margaret, Judy, and Ercil. I can't tell who wrote the letter.]

"It has been a good year, filled with work, travel, children, and grandchildren. That is my whole Christmas letter and I could and should stop here but it would be a shame to waste the rest of the page so I will go on and fill the space.

"In January we partied with Ella Dee's family as we celebrated her mother's 89th birthday. She's a grand lady and in wonderful health (no inheritance in the near future).

"Spent February in Australia and New Zealand.

"In April, Claude rode in the MS-150, a two-day, 170 mile bicycle ride from Houston to Austin. (Says he did right well for an old man.)

"At the end of May and first of June, we took a road trip with the same group as last year, Ella Dee, Claude, grandson Matt, and Ella Dee's mother and sister. Our itinerary included Williamsburg, Mt. Vernon, Washington DC, The Liberty Bell, New York City, (yes, June 1st, we were at the top of the WTC), then on to West Point, Niagara Falls, and four days on a house-boat on the Erie Canal. Then back to Nashville and a visit to Andrew Jackson's home. Back to Houston and the receding flood waters. We were mercifully spared but many around us were not. It was unbelievable. We had forty inches of rain in three days.

"On July 16th, we welcomed a new grandson, Gabriel Johnson Guthrie to our family. He is a beautiful little boy but we know he will not be with us long. We will love him and be thankful for each day he is with us. [A genetic problem which took the

life of his little sister a couple of years ago as reported in the Chronicle.]

"In August and September, Claude put in more than a hundred hours in his plane, ranging from Alberta and Idaho in the northwest to St. Thomas and Puerto Rico in the Carribean.

"In October, Claude bicycled the 220-mile Katy Trail from Jefferson City, MO to St. Charles, MO in four days and topped this with a two-day trip walking down into the Grand Canyon and out again. (What a man!!!)

"All our kids and grand kids are well, smart, and beautiful. (How could they be otherwise, considering their gene pool?)

"Love all you guys, have a happy, healthy, and prosperous New Year.
Ella Dee and Claude.

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From Larry & Claire Jinks, Los Gatos, CA [Larry is the son of Mary Jean Jinks, now 102 years old who was married to Leon Jinks, brother to Margaret, Judy, & Ercil.]

"I was in Indiana for a few days last week. Mom is quite frail and weak. She seems to be in a gradual decline. With her constitution, no telling how long she will live. Sometimes she is quite coherent, other times she is not. She spends more time in bed than out of it. I always take her for a ride in her wheelchair around the facility and when weather permits, I take her for a ride around town. She will be at Jeanie's for Christmas; she likes doing tha but doesn't like to stay long.

"We went to Virginia to see Beau and his family for Thanksgiving. We took Beau, Marcia, and Amber to Gettysburg for a couple of days, which all of us enjoyed a lot.

Beau and Marcia ha been there, but Claire,

Amber and I had not. It was a fascinating experience. Beau and his family are doing well. Amber is 15 now. She is in the school band and trying out for track team. Her ambition is to attend the Air Force Academy and become a military pilot.

"We will have the rest of the family at our place near Lake Tahoe for Christmas. There is lots of snow there already, so Ryan and Rachel (Laura's kids) will have a white Christmas, which they will like a lot.

"Our best to all, and a Happy New year. Larry and Claire

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From **Linda & Roger** of Lyons Kansas [Linda Phelps and Roger Jinks are children of Cecil Jinks, long time member of the Chronicle Family and whom I teased issue after issue of the Chronicle in hopes he would leave me a million dollars in his will. He was always threatening to sue the Chronicle and cut me out of his will but when he passed away he left me fifteen cents. How I miss him.]

"The year, 2001, has been a fairly good year for my family. It's hard to picture myself as the matriarch of the clan but I guess I am. I am definitely not the boss though. They listen to my sage advice, then do it their way. Thinking back though, I did the same. 'What goes around comes around.'

"My four wonderful children are well. My #1 son, Kevin, turned 38 in July. He and wife, Tina, live in Boise, ID and are the proud parents of McKenzie, age 6 and Hannah, age 3. Daughter Jordan is presently in production and will arrive in May of 2002.

#2 son, Mike was 37, also in July. He and wife Suzie, live in Salina, KS with their two daughters, Amanda who is now 15 and

Allie who will be 13 in June. Mike has his own morning radio show and does and sells commercials. He received two creative awards during the year from NBC.

"Daughter, Christy and Husband Clint (Knisal) moved into their new home shortly after New Year last year and have worked real hard putting in a yard and building a privacy fence and doing a lot of decorating (with some help from me). She is in her second year of teaching first graders and loves it. Clint is a credit analyzer for Fidelity Bank. He is a good son-in-law and the right combination for my beautiful daughter.

"My #3 son, Cory, turned 22 last St. Patrick's day. He took a break from college this year to work but will go back. He has a very nice girlfriend.

"I have informed Christy and Cory that I am depending on them for some grandsons since Kevin and Mike only know how to create girls.

"My brother, Roger, still lives with me on the family farm. He was diagnosed with Type 2 diabetes in October and was put on medications and a 2000 calorie diet. Since then he has lost fifteen pounds and is nearly back to a non diabetic status. he will still be on medication but I will have to poke his finger with a needle now and then to keep him honest. Otherwise he is fairly healthful for a 54 year old. He has the same type aneurism that Mom and Mike had but it is stable so far. He has a CAT-scan every six months. Eventually he

will have to have surgery but they are waiting until a new procedure is perfected that will not be as invasive as that for Mike and Mom.

"We are looking forward to the holidays. All my children except Kevin will come to Lyons to celebrate. Love and best

wishes to all of you, Linda & Roger.

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When Margaret and I arrived back in El Prado we found ourselves plowing through six to eight inches of snow and had to dig snow out of our garage door to get in.

Margaret's Christmas was spoiled by a tooth infection. She awoke on Christmas Eve with a horrible toothache but Judy's dentist agreed to pull the tooth so we went to her office. She worked an hour or more trying to remove the roots then called an oral surgeon who agreed to see us and he finished the job. Her jaw was swollen for a day or two but she is recovering.

Mark's (Miller) two daughters Pene (and husband Jim) Huggins and Savannah (and husband Todd) Eberline with their daughters, along with Mark and Gabe spent Christmas at our house in El Prado while we were in California.

From Nell (Mondy) in Ithaca, New York

I am printing Nells letter as I received it on Page 8.

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From Bea Taylor, Westminster, CO

"I get farther behind every year!! Guess it's 'old age' but I don't like it; just don't like the idea of 'getting old'. I suppose you and all of your family will be together. We'll be alone; but will find a good restaurant, - that's OK for we are use to it.

"Boy are we having cold weather, - sixteen degrees in the morning, highs in the thirties. If we don't have wind and the sun shines, it doesn't feel so cold.

"Have a nice Christmas in the true spirit of the day and a Happy New Year. May God bless you in a very special way.



Christms, 2001

Dear Friends,

It is time to reflect on the events of 2001 and I hope the year was good to you. My second major surgery on the leg which was broken in an auto accident, February 1999, occurred in January at the Hospital for Special Surgery in New York City. Months of recovery in a wheelchair at home followed.

By June I had recovered sufficiently to attend the national meeting of Graduate Women in Science (GWIS) held at Chapman University, Orange, CA. I was presented the National Award of Recognition and a beautiful Bulova wall clock with a meaningful inscription. GWIS also established a National Fellowship in my honor which will be awarded for the first time in 2002. As a member of the organization for 55 years I served as its national president in 1983-84, and was awarded honorary life membership, the organization's highest honor in 1986. GWIS was originated at Cornell University in 1921 and later extended to other universities throughout the country. It includes both men and women in the mathematical, physical, biological, and social sciences.

In June I also attended the national meeting of the Institute of Food Technologists in New Orleans and included a visit with my cousin, Jerry Thornton. My autobiography *YOU NEVER FAIL UNTIL YOU STOP TRYING The Story of a Pioneer Woman Chemist* -was published in June. However, June also brought bad news. My office building at Cornell, MVR Hall, was found to have developed structural damages so a move into another building was necessary. The remainder of the summer was devoted to the move. *from my three offices*

The year brought sadness in the death on October 18 of my beloved mentor and teacher, Dr. Louise Daniel. She was retired and living in California. Her birthday, October 28 and mine, October 27, were always celebrated together. This year was my 80th and her 90th. Approximately 50 friends were always celebrated together. The ages ranged from 4 months to 92 years, *representing 8 countries*

The weatherman sent us a gorgeous fall with magnificent colored leaves, warm sunny days and abundant harvests of apples, grapes, pears, potatoes and squash. As yet, we have had no snow but we hope for a "white Christmas."

I look forward to hearing from you. My very best wishes for 2002.

Sincerely,

Nell
Nell Mondy

Margaret has been busy since we arrived back home, contacting people on the phone. I'm including some snippets from her phone calls.

From Margaret Ann Segrest in East Tawas, Michigan. Her oldest son John drove all the way from New Orleans to East Tawas to spend Christmas with her. John loved the snow which is extremely rare in New Orleans.

From Judy Washburn, Pasadena, TX She and son, Bud, enjoyed Christmas dinner with Margaret Ann and Kenneth. Ercil and Lester were there spending Christmas.

From Wilma Jinks, Piggott Arkansas Weather cold, very little rain and not a white Christmas. Had Christmas dinner with cousins John and Rhonda.

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Margaret says:

It is always fun to go to California I lived there so many years that at heart I will always be a Californian. We went to Judy's and John's first because Geri works in merchandising and at Christmas they work long hours and are weary when they get home and do not need to have to feel responsible for visitors. We got there on Friday night and Judy was off all of Christmas week.

We visited Anne (John's mother) the night we got there and John read the notes on fifty or so Christmas cards she had received at his house. Anne is holding her own; has gained some weight and is looking forward to attending Brecken and Matt's wedding in June.

Christmas morning we opened our gifts then enjoyed a late brunch on the Armstrong's patio under the lovely bougainvillea arbor.

Christmas night we dined at Matt's Parents home and, as usual ate too much.

On Monday we went to El Segundo to spend three days with Jim and Geri. To me this was a less than happy trip to El Segundo. When we were there for Jim's surgery in May our neighbor on our left passed away and Harrison and I attended her funeral. Her husband had passed away five years ago and their house had a "For Sale" sign in the yard.

In July last year our 92 year old neighbor on our right (no children, whose husband had died two years ago) moved back to Minnesota where her family lives and her house had already sold. So our neighborhood of 43 years was not like we had always known it.

Jim and Geri took us out to dinner one night and on Friday night Geri, who is an excellent cook, prepared a lovely meal of fresh salmon, wild rice, sauteed tomatoes and a green salad.

Brecken is living in her Grandmother Armstrong's house (which is twelve or fifteen blocks from Jim and Geri) while attending UCLA Med school. So we got to see a lot of our lovely granddaughter.

The trip home was uneventful and to quote my brother Harold, "the best part of the trip was the drive up to our house" at 374 Hondo Seco Road (even if we did have to dig snow away from the door to get in the garage).

From Lloyd & Norma Mondy, Poplar Bluff

Son Keith and his family was home for Thanksgiving. In January he will be leaving for a year long tour of duty in Egypt and Israel. He will spend the first four months attached to the U.N. in Egypt as the UN observer, part of the Camp David Accord. He will then go to Jerusalem for the last eight months where he will be attached to our embassy.

We will be in Colorado Springs in May. Keith will be home for the graduation of one of his sons. Tell Jewel and Tom we will contact them.

We are leaving for Panama City, Fla on December 31st and will be gone a couple of months. Be back in touch in the spring.

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From Ercil White, Lubbock Texas

In answer to your request that we tell the Chronicle where we were on Sept. 11th, here is my answer. As most of you know we are late sleepers and that day was no exception. I have to arise by 9 AM each morning to put drops in my eyes. I had just risen for that, Lester was still in bed, when the telephone rang. It was our daughter, Vicki Jean who, in an agitated voice, said, "Mother turn on the TV, now, Mother now," so I did. Lester had been awakened by the phone and I screamed for him to come see what was on TV. I think we sat there for most of the day.

September 11 was our 69th wedding anniversary and we had planned a quiet celebration with me not having to cook. All plans were forgotten. It was not a day for celebration but a day for PRAYER and that we did for all those souls destroyed by such cowardly acts.

Who ever thought this could happen in good old USA. I suppose we ate something during the day but it was 6 PM before Lester went over to Long John Silvers and got us food for dinner. I thank the Lord for our president. He has made our nation proud. Even congress put aside their bickering and went along with his plans. It's a shame they did not continue, but the Nation as a whole has ben magnanimous in their giving, their support, and their patriotism which has come alive makes us all proud to be American.

It is now Wednesday, the 2nd and since you are always interested in the weather, I report that it snowed Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, but today the sun is shining in all its glory and the snow is gone. But it is COLD.

[Ercil is the only reader that responded to my suggestion as to where they were when the 9/11 catastrophe struck. Thanks Ercil.]

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Update on John (Armstrong). John was recovering satisfactorily until last week-end when his colon became clogged. Examination showed that at the point of operation, his colon had sealed itself. Today (Wednesday) he went back to the hospital where they used the balloon technology to relieve the situation. Tonight he was sounding good.

Wasn't it nice to have an issue of the Chronicle without a lot of my chatter? We could have one every issue if you would write. Next Issue scheduled for Jan 21st, I won't be here on the 14th. Going to Lubbock for Marg's eyes. Love to all

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