RACE—Fort Bragg’s Carlos Portillo placed first in the boys varsity 300m hurdles. (SPORTS)
Driving for the Basket—Norris senior Bridget Bucher drives past Beatrice defenders to the hoop in the B-1 District final game, Friday, February 22.
TJ Harrington goes through the paces in the Lead-line during Thursday’s gymkhana competition, with Keeler Harrington in the lead. Ellen McKenzie keeps time.
Titan Jakson Reetz barrels in for a basket. The Orangemen upset Norris 58-56 in the B-1 District semifinal game.
Three-year-old Jocelyn Rathe tries to hide from the camera in the beautiful entry way of the Rathe home. The columns and benches at the right were built in, and the front door is beveled glass.

(FEATURE)
Santa's Watching

Santa takes in the morning sunshine from window in the old Panama Schoolhouse while keeping an eye out for who's "naughty and nice."

(Feature)
The Crouch Auditorium at Newcastle High School was dimly lit for the Second Annual Breast Cancer Variety Show Thursday evening, a single spotlight shining on the stage. Bailey Roberson, accompanied by Nate Smith on guitar (pictured) kicked off the show with her rendition of the Dixie Chicks’ “Travelin’ Soldier,” complete with video. (FEATURE)
Crying for Santa—It wasn’t clear if Paizley Smith, 16 months, of rural Firth, was crying because of Santa, or because of the Huskers 70-31 loss to Wisconsin in the Big 10 championship game on Saturday, December 1. Santa brought good cheer to other children, but not to Paizley, during his visit to the Firth Community Center. (FEATURE)
WAVING TO THE CROWD—Santa Claus stops to wave at onlookers as he crosses Division Street in preparation to kick off the second annual Christmas in Carterville celebration.
SNOWFALL — This winding lane just south of Falmouth was beautiful with all the snow hanging on the trees and the roadway covered. (FEATURE)
Dean Jones caresses the cheek of his wife, Dorothy, when he came to visit her at GoldCrest in Adams. The couple used to travel all over the world and participate in exchange programs with families from other countries.
ACCIDENT—Two vehicles collided on South 68th Street during morning school commute hours on Thursday, Jan. 17. Fog and slick road conditions contributed to the accident that severely injured Firth resident Cindy Renner, her 2011 Honda SUV is pictured. Norris student Spencer Peters, who was driving a 2005 Chevy SUV, and his father, Michael, both of Hickman, were treated and released. (NEWS)