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TRAIL DUST By DOUGLAS MEADOR

Saddle-weary memories are wont to mosey back to the corrals of the heart when holly wreaths hang in windows and the voices of children are keyed to a cheery pitch.

Bright toys were close to the small girl's hand as she stood in the gift shop aisle, hurt with the beauty of splendor so near while poverty's cold shackles clasped the ragged stockings at her ankles.

We crossed the dry river bed, watching the cold sand bulge about our horse's fetlocks and listening to the slow plod of weary hoofs.

Thieves Take Receipts Of Station Here Cash in the amount of \$61.89 was stolen from the Mission Gas and Oil Company service station sometime Sunday night or early Monday according to Hart Harris, manager.

Pauline Rister Resigns Position Miss Pauline Rister, English teacher in Matador High School for the past two years, resigned her position before leaving Wednesday evening for her home at Abilene to spend Christmas holidays with her parents.

Fire Destroys Gin At Roaring Springs Red Ball Plant Has \$10,000 Blaze; New Structure Planned Contractors were drawing plans early this week for reconstruction of the Red Ball Gin at Roaring Springs which was gutted by fire of undetermined origin Sunday afternoon.

Lions Hold Final Meet Of The Year Rev. Vaughn Makes Christmas Address As New Club Member "Back of Christmas is the spirit of Christ", Rev. W. B. Vaughn, Methodist pastor and newest member of the Matador Lions Club, declared in the final meeting of the organization for 1938, held at the Baptist church Tuesday.

Death Makes Bid In Two Car Accidents Five Are Treated After Automobiles Leave Tragic Wake Death made a bid for the lives of five local residents in two automobile accidents this week, and two of the participants remain in the Traweck hospital, one in serious condition, after all had received treatment.

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Students Home For Holidays In addition to several students who arrived home last week to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents, others have been arriving during this week and include the following: From Texas Tech, Lubbock, L. C. Groves, Vernon Craven, accompanied by a friend, Bill Dennis Jack Robinson Jr., Phenard McCary, and Misses Dorothy Willett and Marjoria Moore.

Flomot Cage Team Defeats Floydada Flomot A team defeated Floydada 27-23 here Wednesday night, while the Floydada P team defeated Flomot's B team in a game the same night. Amonett was high point man for the evening, with 14 points.

Need More Fire Hose The Roaring Springs Fire Department was unable to cope with the situation because of the need for more fire hose, since the gin location was beyond reach of a fire plug.

To Be Rebuilt Soon "We will start to rebuild in the immediate future", Mr. Dobkins said, "however, we will not be able to operate any more this season. I want to thank our friends and especially the Matador Fire Department for their help."

Blamed On Jealousy Wilma Kennedy, 16, who was found with Salazar, blamed the tragedy on the Mexican's jealousy saying he apparently became frenzied because he learned that she had gone out in the company of other boys.

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# Happy CHRISTMAS

To all



**BEST WISHES**  
FOR A  
*Prosperous New Year*

**SPOT CASH GROCERY**

J. H. Sample

George Springer

May this season with its mirth and cheer be a happy one for you, and may the New Year lavish its richest blessings on you and yours. We wish to extend our best wishes because we feel that your loyal support and GOOD WILL deserves the best that we have.

## Roaring Springs News

### Baptist News

School report was again... The Junior Girls' night by Mrs. M. S. Thacker... the best record with 15 out of an enrollment of 17.

### North League Good Report

North League met Sunday with Wanda Cornell in... A very interesting program conducted on the subject Background of Christ-

Definite plans were made regarding the Christmas tree which the league is to have Tuesday night in the home of Mrs. Homer Kingery. Everyone please bring your gifts and come and get in on the fun.

### Carols To Be Sung Christmas Morning

A unique plan to observe Christmas with the genuine Christmas spirit of olden times, has been made by townspeople who will

hold a sunrise Caroling service Sunday morning.

The group will meet at the First Baptist Church not later than 7:00 a. m. to leave on a procession over the town. Song books and musical instruments will be provided, and local voices will provide the singing.

Everyone is invited to join the carolers on this early morning visitation, and the leaders make this plea: "Please don't deny yourself this genuine pleasure; you can sleep later."

### Pageant To Be Given Tonight

The Christmas Pageant which the churches and school system of Roaring Springs will present tonight, will be held in the high school auditorium and will start at 8:00 p. m.

A special feature of the program will be an "Orphans' tree", gifts for which will be furnished by those attending the pageant. However, it is stressed that failure to bring a gift should not prevent the attendance of anyone. "If you do not have a gift to bring, please do not fail to come anyway." Those in charge state, "the tree will be provided, but it will not be noticed if you do not bring a gift."

A large attendance to the program is anticipated.

### Sunshine Sisters Are Entertained

The following Sunshine Sisters were entertained with a Chinese Checker party in the home of Mrs. Freeman Thacker last week:

Mesdames J. A. Brawley, Ezra Bowen, C. W. Giesecke, J. C. Smiley, Hugh Luckett, W. T. Patton, J. R. Thacker, Sarah Thompson, J. W. Cooper, Ralph Long, W. W. Jarrett, P. I. Roberts, and J. D. Mitchell.

### Mrs. Duvall Will Make Home Here

Mrs. Sudie Duvall, who has been temporarily making Roaring Springs her home, returned here Monday after a visit to her former home at Whitney, in Hill county.

Mrs. Duvall brought her household furnishings and other possessions, and expects to establish a permanent home in this community.

Messrs John Cornwall and W. L. Douthitt of Post, were week-end quail hunters in Roaring Springs.

Rev. Napper, the new Methodist pastor, together with Mrs. Napper left Sunday for Louisiana where they will spend the Christmas holidays.

Miss Sarah Campbell entertained her Sunday School class with a party at her home Monday night.

Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Graham will leave Friday morning for Oklahoma, where they will enjoy Christmas with Mrs. Graham's parents.

Dr. and Mrs. C. M. Thacker of Floydada, visited relatives in Roaring Springs Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Garlington of Shamrock visited Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McLean here Sunday.

Charles Sherwood, Jack Davis, Earl Vaughn and Gilbert Perry attended the football game between the Lubbock Westerners and Masonic Home, at Lubbock Friday.

### WHITEFLAT NEWS

Miss Ila Acker spent last week-end with homefolks. She teaches at Mt. Blanco.

Mesdames J. D. and Preston Spray shopped in Paducah Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Browning of Edgin, were visitors in the D. E. Rattan home Sunday.

Prof. Lowe of Kirklund was here Sunday afternoon, and entertained quite an audience with singing.

Mrs. Leona Hanna of Tullia, spent Sunday with Mrs. Ernest McWilliams.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McWilliams, accompanied by Mrs. J. G. Kimbell and Miss Grace Fimbell, visited friends and relatives in Artesia, N. M. from Thursday through Monday.

Miss Georgia Bourland spent the week-end with Miss Sarah Campbell of Roaring Springs.

Misses Katalynn Humphries and Camella Wilkinson, also Varner McWilliams of Texas Tech, Lubbock, arrived home Tuesday for Christmas holidays.

### SIDELIGHTS BY MARVIN JONES

Member of Congress from Texas

I believe that the Interstate Commerce Commission should require railways to make a blanket reduction in all export freight rates on agricultural commodities.

This would be in line with present export freight reductions which already apply to industry.

It would stimulate the exportation of farm products, and by enlarging traffic, would benefit the railways as well.

In the grain rate hearing decided July 1, 1930, Commissioner Lewis of the Interstate Commerce Commission, in concurring with the majority opinion, uses this language:

"Our carriers have extended—and we have not interfered—to manufacturers of iron and steel articles, automobiles, and farm machinery, rates 25 percent lower on exports than on domestic shipment. If the same principle were here applied to wheat and its products it would have a vast beneficial result."

As industry has these reduced export rates, why should not the same reductions be given wheat and cotton and other farm commodities going into export as a simple matter of justice?

In several speeches on the floor of the House in 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933, I called attention to these rank discriminations against the products of the farm, and I urged the old Farm Board to apply to the Commission for a correction of these injustices.

Last year I succeeded in placing an amendment in the Farm Act which makes it the duty of the Secretary of Agriculture to apply for correction of these discriminations to the end that agriculture in the freight rate structure may be

placed upon a parity with industry. This is but another step in the long fight for equality.

It is very encouraging that the people of the South and Southwest have become aroused to the great injustice that has been done them during these years. It affords real hope that the situation may be corrected.

### MUSIC'S ROLE IN NEW YORK FAIR

A theatre seating 2,500 is to be a center for the great international music festivals which will be a feature of the New York World's Fair 1939. World-famous singers, instrumentalists and conductors are to participate, compositions of every land and era are to be presented.

### SORE THROAT, TONSILLITIS!

Your Doctor would recommend a good mop and our Anesthesia-Mop is unexcelled for affording quick relief from pain and discomfort of sore-throat and tonsillitis. Every bottle guaranteed. Simpson Drug Company.

## Merry Christmas



Happy New Year

Peace and Goodwill to All Mankind



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Joe M. Gaines, Mgr.



**OUR Best Wishes For A Merry Christmas**



Christmas can always be a happy time if we will make it so. Therefore, when we wish for you a "Merry Christmas" we are only expressing a wish that is practical and possible and it is our sincere hope that we may be instrumental in making others happy even as you will be.

The pleasant custom of stopping in our business activities to wish happiness to friends and to count our blessings makes this season of the year a welcome. As we pause to rejoice, we are grateful for our loyal friends and for the many kindnesses shown us day by day.

**Western Dry Goods Company**

MISS MAGGIE BRYAN

T. B. EDMONDSON





# \$250,000,000 U. S. Toy Trade Changes Playtime Technique

World in Miniature to Greet Youngsters This Christmas

By JOSEPH W. LaBINE

"When I was a kid . . ."  
Father speaking. When he was a kid, Santa Claus brought tin trains and crockery dolls, tinker-toys and wooden wagons that somehow fell apart the day after Christmas.

So when Father walks through a 1938 toy store his eyes may well pop out at the baby doll that can be fed, bathed, powdered, dressed and rocked to sleep, or the streamlined automobile with exhaust pipe, electric lights and a horn to make youthful pedestrians get off the road. He may frown over "real" pianos and motion picture projectors, but these seemingly extravagant toys are really much more sensible than the tiddly-winks set Aunt Emma gave him for Christmas many years ago.

### Old World Imitates Us.

The toy industrial revolution has made the United States a world headquarters for Christmas shoppers, who migrate annually from every European nation—just to see what's new in the American toy industry. Where a scant few years ago our own toys came from abroad, Japanese and German manufacturers now copy our products. Often they attempt to sell cheap imitations in the United States.

The revolution wasn't spontaneous; a dozen years ago struggling American toy makers protested when psychologists and educators told them that jacks-in-the-box may be amusing, but certainly not very instructive. Armed with fancy figures about child behavior and the need for toys that would develop young minds, these self-appointed uplift societies forced their wares on toy manufacturers. For several years American youth was showered with Christmas gifts it was supposed to like, but didn't. Sorely puzzled, the psychologists were slow to find a remedy: why not ask children themselves what kind of toys they wanted?

So they tried it, and discovered that American boys and girls like nothing better than imitating Mother and Dad. That's why 1938 Christmas toys stress miniatures—authentic reproductions of trains, automobiles, baby buggies, bassinettes and airplanes. At Chicago's Merchandise Mart, where the toy-minded visitor can get a comprehensive picture of this new trend, it's quite possible that you'll see a preview of your 1940 automobile, ready for delivery to a 10-year-old driver long before the real thing rolls off an assembly line!

### Age is Important Factor.

Briefly, toy manufacturers have realized that children need new toys and games to develop new abilities



WHITTLED DOWN TO SIZE!—Youngsters like to imitate Mother and Dad, so toy manufacturers responded. Above: The young man-about-town with his streamlined car, featuring exhaust pipes and a classy paint job. Below: A Christmas morning mother gives her dolly a thorough scrubbing in the doll bathinette shown at Merchandise Mart, Chicago.

as they grow older, just as they need new clothes to fit their increasing stature. They've decided to give children sensible toys, playthings built to stand abuse, to develop strong bodies and agile minds. Having made peace with the educators and psychologists, they've enlisted designers, chemists, professional inventors and engineers to help meet the new demand.

When buying toys this Christmas, you'll be wise to follow the six objectives prescribed by experts, who say a child should have at least one type of toy from each classification:

- 1—Physical exercisers.
- 2—Sense developers (color, texture, shape and sound).
- 3—Building toys, for self-realization and consciousness of ability to do things.
- 4—Make believe toys, devices for imitative play.
- 5—Handwork materials leading to arts and crafts.

6—Games that develop skill and encourage play with other children. But your selection should also be guided by the table of values established by the same experts. The correct toys for your youngster should meet these requirements:

- 1—Durability.
- 2—Stimulation of self-activity.
- 3—Correct toy for the given age.
- 4—Principles of aesthetics.
- 5—Sanitation and hygiene.

### Zippered Teddy Bear!

The latter factor is stressed by modern toy makers. For the very young child only vegetable dyes are used. Sharp corners have been eliminated and dangling appendages (too easily detached and swallowed) are taboo. There is emphasis on forms and materials that can be kept scrupulously clean. Even teddy bears are now made with a zippered skin that can be removed and laundered, while many wood toys can also be washed.

While adhering to these scientific principles, toy makers have not forgotten that their young customers are primarily interested in being entertained. For example, it's much better for a child to develop muscle and co-ordination through a foot-propelled vehicle (like a toy automobile or tricycle) than by calisthenics.

Similarly, in the most pleasant way possible, toys reveal talents and aptitudes, often overcoming deficiencies. This is particularly true of the sense developers, elementary handcraft materials, musical and rhythmic toys, and all materials for simple graphic arts like crayons, water colors and printing sets.

### Tested 'Under Fire.'

Every toy that finds its way to the Christmas tree this year might well bear the label, "Child Tested and Approved." After the inventor and child psychologists have perfected them, the playthings find their way to nursery and sand pile for thorough trial before being manufactured in quantity lots. First, the experimenters want to discover whether their toy can stand up under hard wear. Second, it must hold interest long after the novelty stage has passed, which was one serious fault with the toys yesterday's children received each Christmas. By New Year's day they had usually been consigned to the closet.

By additional experimentation they discover what age group most enjoys the toy, and it is manufactured accordingly. Many large stores are segregating their toy displays by ages this year, a boon to the uninitiated uncle or aunt who doesn't know whether a three-year-old girl should have a dress-up doll or just a plain rag baby.

As for the toy makers, they're happy about the whole thing. Says James L. Fri, managing director of the Toy Manufacturers of the United States: "By increasing the purposefulness of playthings, their imaginative appeal and educational value have been greatly enhanced, and consequently the market for toys has steadily broadened."

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# White House Shares Yule Spirit

WASHINGTON.—The holiday atmosphere that grips America each December also finds its way to the White House, home of our chief executives for nearly 140 years and scene of many a colorful Yuletide party in bygone years.

White House history is rich with anecdotes of such gatherings since the building was occupied by the country's second chief executive, John Adams. For his granddaughter, four-year-old Suzannah, President Adams gave the first Christmas party ever held in the White House. Those were the days before the mansion was finished, when Mrs. Adams is said to have hung out her wash in the great East room.

Suzannah's party was a success but one of her guests broke a doll dish belonging to the little hostess. Suzannah retaliated by biting off the nose of the young guest's new wax doll. President Adams had to resort to diplomacy.

### Jefferson Played Violin.

Christmas has always aided chief executives in discarding their dignity for a brief return to the simplicity of their childhood days. It was the widower President Jefferson who played the violin for his young guests, and the aged Andrew Jackson threw wide the White House doors to hundreds of orphans who listened to the President himself tell them wild tales of Indian wars.

Dolly Madison, most famous White House hostess in history, was in charge of President Jefferson's party in 1805 when nearly 100 guests were present. Mrs. Madison also served as hostess at 13 other Christmas dinners in the White House during the two terms each of Jefferson and her own husband, James Madison. Once the Madisons had to flee from the mansion when the British invaded Washington in 1812.

Jackson's party for the orphans was inspired by his own sad boyhood. At his party Santa Claus came to the White House as usual, leaving many gifts for the homeless



Entrance to the White House at Washington as it appears each year during the Christmas season.

youngsters. Jackson himself wore a corncob pipe and warm carpet slippers in his bulging stocking.

### Jackson in Snow Fight.

"Old Hickory" is said to have participated in a snowball fight at the party, aided by Vice President Martin Van Buren. As his little guests scattered over the moonlit White House lawn he turned to a friend and said:

"They remind me of the one who came to the knees of Jesus, and of whom He said, 'Suffer little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not for of such is the kingdom of Heaven.'"

In modern times much more ceremony has been attached to official Washington's celebration of the Yuletide. Each year the chief executive radios holiday greetings to American soldiers, sailors, marines

and diplomatic representatives throughout the world. His most important official duty is a Christmas eve address to the nation, a custom that has probably become permanent.

The nation's "official" Christmas tree in Washington is lighted annually by the President as he participates in colorful ceremonies broadcast throughout the country. During the past decade and a half, four Presidents have used the same switch box for this purpose. Last year a new silver plate was attached to the box bearing the names of these men.

Another recent innovation at the ceremony is the use of a four-toned chime to signal the lighting of the tree. The chimes ring out as the President presses the button lighting the tree, broadcast as a signal to millions of listening Americans.

# A REAL CHRISTMAS

By Vera Ashton

"O H, lookit, lookit, Jimmie. Doesn't it look like a real baby? Just 'magine it's for me!" And little Sally's face was radiant with the imagined joy.

"Ah, that's nothin' but a doll! You girls!" and Johnnie's nose turned up with disgust. "If you're lookin', just lookit that!" and he pointed to a scooter that leaned proudly against the wall in the show window. "That's what Santa Claus has picked out for me." And Johnnie's eyes shone.

A well-dressed man standing near them heard the words, and looked curiously at the ragged children. As he saw his wife approaching, the children started on, but not before he heard the boy say to his sister, "It's no use 'magine anything this year. Aunt Meg doesn't even have a chimney for Santa to crawl down, and he probably doesn't even know that daddy and mother aren't here any more," and his brave little lip quivered.

The man turned to his wife, who had just reached him. "Madge, look at that window."

But her voice was shrill with a hysterical grief, as she exclaimed: "Oh, Phil, I can't look at those toys. You know I can't. When little Elsie is dead, and we have no one to make Christmas for."

"But Madge, that is what I mean. We have someone to make a Christmas for. See those kids there, just going round the corner? They are the Mayne children, whose father and mother were killed in that factory fire last month. They're living with their aunt, who already has four children of her own, and her husband is only working part time since the fire." He said no more but watched his wife anxiously.

Her look of grief turned slowly to one of questioning and then pleasure.

"We'll do it!" she exclaimed in glad tones.

"I heard them tell each other what they wanted," Phil said joyously.

So on Christmas morning Sally and Johnnie were surprised to have an auto drive up in front of their Aunt Meg's house, and have a fine big man ask them to go home with him to dinner. And there, when they had taken off their coats and hats, they found a lovely Christmas tree with a beautiful doll and a perfectly grand scooter, and a new suit for Johnnie and a dress for Sally which made her dress sparkle with joy.

"We don't want you to go home," Mrs. Vigers said when the children began to talk about having to go after the dinner of turkey and cranberry sauce and all the fixings. "We want you to stay, don't we Phil?"

"Indeed we do, for we need a little boy and girl in our house," Phil Vigers replied, with a happy smile on his face. And he added, under his breath, as he gave his wife a mighty hug, "This is a real Christmas, Madge. I'm glad that there was plenty of room at this inn."

# While Shepherds Watched



A photographic reproduction of the famous Christmas painting, "As Shepherds Watched," by Carl Meuller, noted German artist. The painting, depicting the birth of Christ, was executed in Dusseldorf in 1855 and was first published in the United States in 1936.

# AMAZED SANTA CLAUS FINDS 33 STOCKINGS IN MARYLAND HOME!

LEONARDTOWN, MD.—No less than 33 stockings are hung by the chimney with care each Christmas eve at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Sterling here.

The couple has 17 children, who with the grandchildren and in-laws add up to the grand total of 33. Santa Claus can hardly see the fireplace for the stockings when he slides down the chimney. But he never fails to fill them all. In the years since he started visiting the Sterling home, Santa has found that another called, the stork, also has the Sterling address in his book.

Each year there has been a "new addition" to the Sterling household, or in the homes of their children. As Santa's burden has become greater he has cheerfully risen to the needs and found plenty of toys and other "goodies" to go around. But he has to replenish his supply after each visit to the Sterling home.

# Late Yuletide Observed By Orthodox Christians

Conforming to the Julian calendar, thousands of Americans will not celebrate Christmas until January 7, 14 days behind the Gregorian calendar. These people are Russians, Serbians, Armenians, Bulgarians, Syrians and Macedonians—followers of the Christian Orthodox church. Greeks and Rumanians, also of the Orthodox church, mark Christmas on the Gregorian calendar but adhere to the Julian calendar in observance of Easter Sunday.

# Who Hasn't?

Dear Santa Claus  
I am a good boy at home  
and in school.  
My name is Herfman.  
I like a scooter, a book  
and a watch.  
Love Herfman

Each Christmas season hundreds of plaintive notes to Santa Claus, like the above, find their way to the Post Office department's dead letter office. Others reach the town of Santa Claus, Ind.

# Railway Station Carols Make Travelers Relax

In metropolitan railroad stations throughout the country this Holiday season, hurried travelers will halt to the strains of Christmas carols echoing from lofty ceilings and long corridors. Originally adopted several years ago in New York, the idea has spread each December to more cities until railroad station music has become a tradition. The concerts were started because railroad officials decided "everyone was in too much of a hurry" around Christmas time, and that if people could relax before starting their homeward journey they would have a better time.

# Fire, Shock Hazards Threaten To Mar Christmas Festivities



All because of faulty electrical appliances, fires and accidents will spoil hundreds of Christmas gatherings this year.

Through home should be the safest place during the holidays, engineers of Underwriters' Laboratories, Chicago, point out that if you should have an accident during the next few weeks, chances are good that it will happen in your own home.

An estimated 125,000,000 electrical cords now being used throughout the nation offer the greatest potential danger at Christmas time, it is pointed out. Cords receive exceptionally harsh treatment, being chewed by children and dogs, twisted and pulled, run under rugs and walked on. Faulty plug and socket connections often result, creating serious hazards.

Engineers explain that shock or fire is less often due to electrical wiring than to damaged cords. Safe cord is manufactured under rigid requirements, with ample copper wire for carrying the current without overheating. There is also suf-

"Lights out," says Rascal, pulling the lamp cord. And if the cord hadn't been given a tougher pull test to make it safe, it might have been "lights out" for Rascal, sure enough.

cient insulation over the wire to prevent shock. To prove that rubber cord is sufficiently tough to stand abuse, two inches of insulation must stretch nine inches without breaking. "Bombs" are used to determine the condition of cord after several months' use. Bombs are heavy steel containers in which rubber insulation is "bombed" with pure oxygen at high pressure to cause rapid aging.

Since damaged or poorly constructed cords are often responsible for home fires and accidents, special care is needed during the Christmas season. Danger is especially great between now and March, the records show, since during that time a fire breaks out every two minutes.

# CLASSIFIED DEPARTMENT

STOVE REPAIRS  
REPAIRS For Stoves and Oil Stoves—Ranges and Washers—Furnace Water Heaters—Free Kind and Make Supply Company—ST. LOUIS—ASK YOUR DEALER OR WRITE US

PERSONAL  
Reduce Sensibly! Lose up to 7 lbs. weekly. Safe, inexpensive. Chart and information FREE. Write Dr. Wendt, Canton, S. D.

SCHOOLS  
MARINELLO BEAUTY SCHOOL  
12 Years Same Location  
Will train you to be an expert operator in 6 months. Low tuition. Equipment furnished. Write for catalogue. MAY MORTON, Dean 4505 Ross DALLAS

Unfaithfulness  
The lines of suffering on almost every human countenance have been deepened, if not traced there, by unfaithfulness to conscience, by departures from duty. To do wrong is the surest way of bringing suffering. Those sins which are followed by no palpable pain are yet terribly avenged, even in this life. They abridge our capacity of happiness, impair our relish for innocent pleasure, and increase our sensibility to suffering. They spoil us of the arms of a pure conscience and of trust in God, without which we are vulnerable by all the changes of life. Thus, to do wrong is to inflict the surest injury on our own peace—Channing.

THE CHEERFUL CHERUB  
In life I'm piling act on act. Of naughty deeds I've quite a crop. I'd better start now being good To make my life look nice on top.  
WNU Service

COLD DISCOMFORT QUICKLY RELIEVED DEMAND St. Joseph GENUINE PURE ASPIRIN

Solitude's Effect  
Solitude affects some people like wine; they must not take too much of it, for it flies to the head.—Mary Coleridge.

OUT OF SORTS? Here is Amazing Relief for Conditions Due to Sluggish Bowels. Nature's Remedy. If you think all laxatives are alike, try this one. It's the only one that's all vegetable. It's the only one that's all natural. It's the only one that's all pure. It's the only one that's all safe. It's the only one that's all effective. Without Risk get a 5¢ box of NIT from your druggist. If you are not satisfied, return the box to us. We will refund the purchase price. That's fair. Get NIT Tablets today. NIT-NIGHT

Philosopher Kings  
A state would be happy where philosophers were kings or kings were philosophers.—Plato.

666 COLD Headaches and Fever due to Colds LIQUID TABLETS SALVE, NOSE DROPS in 30 minutes. Try "Rub-Ny-Tum"—A Wonderful Lotion.

WATCH  
YOU can depend on the special sales the merchants of our town announce in the columns of this paper. They mean money saving to our readers. It always pays to patronize the merchants who advertise. They are not afraid of their merchandise or their prices.

THE SPECIALS



CHRISTMAS MORNING ECSTASY



"Hello, Santa! Sorry I'm so late but Christmas is just around the corner and I'd like to place my order. Bring me a doll, a teddy bear, a tricycle, a toy piano, a bag of candy, a new dress and a... What's that, Santa? Have I been a good girl? Of course I have! Er... that is, I hope I have."



"Look at that doll! Santa WAS here last night, wasn't he, mummy? Guess I must have been an awfully good girl to deserve a doll like this! Brown eyes, real hair, a pretty dress... 'n everything!"



"What's this? Another doll! Kind of hard to get it out. Wonder what else is in this big stocking... maybe it's the candy I ordered from Santa Claus."



"Whee-e-e! Some tricycle Santa left me. There's so much to play with that I hardly know where to start. Wouldn't it be nice if Christmas came every day? But maybe that would be too much work for Santa Claus, and, after all, maybe I'd get kind of tired, too."



"Here it is bedtime already. I've had a busy day but I'm really not tired. Better go to bed, though, 'cause mummy says I should... and I really ought to be a good girl after this wonderful Christmas. Thanks a lot, Santa Claus!"

Famous Writer Gave Most Unusual 'Christmas Gift' in All History

In 1891 Robert Louis Stevenson "Bequeathed" His November 13 Birthday to a Little Girl in New England Who Was Unhappy Because She Had Been Born on December 25 and Thus Was "Cheated Out of a Birthday Party Like All the Other Children Have."

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON FORTY-SEVEN years ago Henry Clay Ide, a Vermont lawyer who had held various public offices in the Green Mountain state, was appointed American commissioner in the Samoan islands, then held jointly by the United States, Great Britain and Germany. It was not a very important appointment but it became the first link in a chain of circumstances which resulted in one of the most unusual "Christmas gifts" in all history.

Ide's wife and two daughters did not accompany him when he went to Samoa but remained in their Vermont home. Among the residents of Samoa Ide found a famous writer who had become a voluntary exile there for the benefit of his health. This was Robert Louis Stevenson, author of "Treasure Island," "Kidnaped" and a number of other books which have become English classics.

Ide and Stevenson became warm friends. During a conversation one day about the coming Christmas holidays the American told the Englishman that he had a little daughter, Annie, back in



ANNIE IDE COCKRAN

Vermont who was always unhappy at Christmas time because she had been born on December 25 and thus was "cheated out of a birthday party like the other children have." Although he and his wife tried to compensate for this by giving her more than the usual number of Christmas presents, Annie continued to mourn over her lack of a "real birthday."

Thereupon Stevenson sat down and wrote out the following remarkable document:

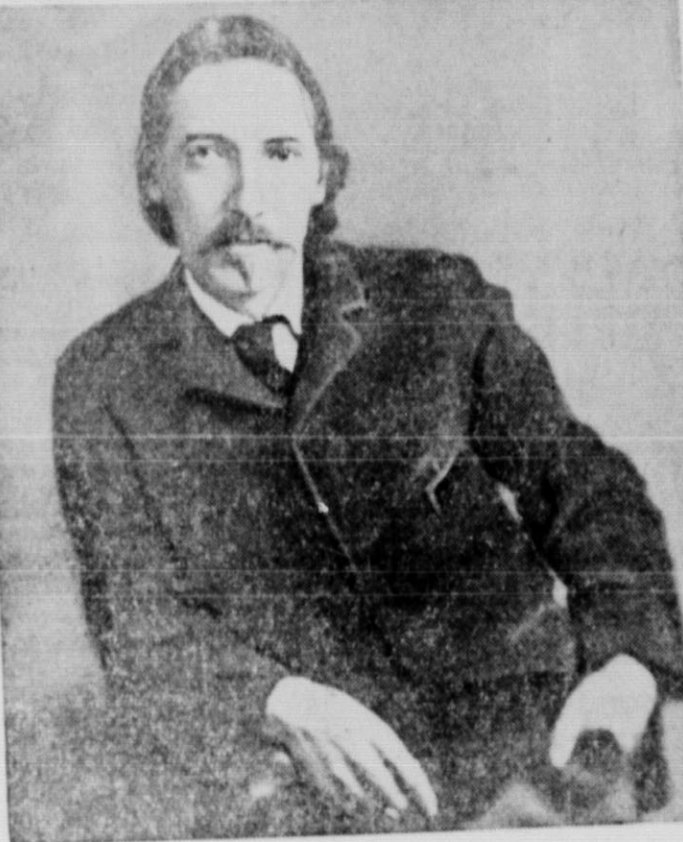
"I, Robert Louis Stevenson, Advocate of the Scots Bar, author of the Master of Ballantrae, and Moral Emblems, stuck civil engineer, sole owner and patentee of the Palace of Plantation known as Vallima, in the Island of Upolu, Samoa, a British subject, being in sound mind, and pretty well, I thank you, in body:

"In consideration that Miss Annie H. Ide, daughter of H. C. Ide, in the Town of Saint Johnsbury, in the County of Caledonia, in the State of Vermont, United States of America, was born, out of reason, upon Christmas Day, and is therefore out of all justice denied in consolation and profit of a proper birthday:

"And considering that I, the said Robert Louis Stevenson, have attained the age when, O, we never mention it, and that I have now no further use for a birthday of any description:

"And in consideration that I have met H. C. Ide, father of the said Annie H. Ide, and found him about as white a land commissioner as I require,

"Have transferred, and do hereby transfer, to the said Annie H. Ide all and whole my rights and privileges in the thirteenth day of November, formerly my birthday, now hereby and henceforth, the birthday of the said Annie H. Ide, to have, to hold, exercise and enjoy the same in her customary manner, by the sporting of fine raiment, eating of rich meats and receipt of gifts, compliments and copies of verse, according to the manner of our ancestors:



ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON, famous author who "willed" his birthday as a Christmas gift to a little girl in New England.

charge her to use my said birthday with moderation and humanity, et tanquam bona filia familiariae, the said birthday not being as young as it once was, and having carried me in a very satisfactory manner since I can remember.

"And in case the said Annie H. Ide shall neglect or contravene either of the above conditions, I hereby revoke the donation and transfer my rights in the said birthday to the President of the United States of America for the time being.

"In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal in the year of grace eighteen hundred and ninety-one.

"ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON"

After having this document witnessed by his friends, Lloyd Osbourne and Harold Watts, Stevenson gave it to Ide who sent it with a letter of explanation to his wife. On the morning of December 25, 1891, little Annie Ide walked slowly into the room where a Christmas tree was laden with presents for her and her sister. As usual, she was brooding over her "lost birthday." But her mood soon changed when her mother handed her the "deed of gift" which was hanging on the tree and explained its meaning to her. Thanks to the famous Robert Louis Stevenson she now had a "birthday of her very own" and its celebration would not be overshadowed by the celebration of Christmas.

Little Annie immediately wrote a letter of thanks to Stevenson and sent with it photographs and drawings of herself. In acknowledging her letter Stevenson explained to her how her "new birthday" would work. He wrote: "You are thus become a month and twelve days younger than you were, but will go on growing older for the future in the regular and human manner from one thirteenth of November to the next. The effect on me is more doubtful; I may, as you suggest, live forever, I might, on the other hand, come to pieces like the one-horse shay at a moment's notice; doubtless the step is risky, but I do not in the least regret that



Henry Clay Ide

which enables me to sign myself your reverend and delighted name-father."

Two years later Mrs. Ide took her two daughters to Samoa to join their father. They arrived on November 12 and were met by Ide and Stevenson. The next day, being little Annie's "new birthday," she was a guest at a huge feast which the natives had arranged for Stevenson in honor of his birthday which he, unknown to them, had "willed" to

Six years after the little girl in Vermont had been made happy by Robert Louis Stevenson, who "willed" her his birthday, another little girl in New York city was also made happy by a writer, but in a different way.

One day in September, 1897, there came to the office of the New York Sun this letter:

Dear Editor  
I am a poor little  
Some of my little friends  
are here on my birthday  
I hope you will tell them  
I have a Santa Claus  
I would love to see  
it

Thereupon Francis P. Church, an editorial writer, wrote a reply which was printed as an editorial in the Sun on September 21, 1897. It said:

IS THERE A SANTA CLAUS?

We take pleasure in answering at once and thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of the Sun:

Dear Editor—I am eight years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus.

Papa says: "If you see it in the Sun it's so."  
Please tell me the truth; "is there a Santa Claus?"  
Virginia O'Hanlon.

Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or little children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no child-like faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Fred Astaire? You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, and push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus? Thank God! he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

A "Newspaper Classic."

Around Christmas time, the next year after this editorial appeared in the Sun, that newspaper began receiving requests from its readers: "Please reprint the editorial called 'Is There a Santa Claus?'" Each year thereafter it received the same request and each year the editorial was reprinted in the columns of the Sun.

More than that, it was reprinted in other newspapers which also received the same request annually. It became a "Newspaper Classic," which has been reproduced thousands of times during the 40 years that have elapsed since it first appeared, and it has been translated into many foreign languages—even the Chinese!

Next to Clement C. Moore's poem, "A Visit From St. Nicholas" (also called "The Night Before Christmas"), this editorial is probably the best known bit of writing associated with Christmas ever produced in America and it seems destined, like Santa Claus, to "live forever."

Star Dust

- ★ So Back Came Olivier
★ A Chance for Stardom
★ Air and Screen Lure
By Virginia Vale

LAURENCE OLIVIER started Hollywood the other day by telling a bit of unflattering truth about himself. Recently imported to play opposite Merle Oberon in "Wuthering Heights" for Samuel Goldwyn, he announced that he was fired the last time he was in Hollywood, and went home determined never to go there again. After all, he'd made a success on the stage, both in London and New York—why should he bother with pictures? Especially if pictures wouldn't bother with him!

You see, he was asked to go to Hollywood five years ago, to work with Greta Garbo in "Queen Christina." "But Garbo didn't like me," announced Mr. Olivier. "And I was fired—kicked out."



LAURENCE OLIVIER

Resolutely he departed. But he couldn't resist Mr. Goldwyn's persuasions, backed by a handsome pay check.

Incidentally, "Wuthering Heights" will give us something comparatively rare on the screen nowadays—a villain who isn't an American, but is Mr. Olivier, who's British as can be seen. Foreign censorship has played hob with pictures in which the villains represented foreign countries; the country concerned was practically certain to make a fuss, saying that people would judge all of its population by that one bad example. So all villains have had to be Americans. Apparently Olivier can present the kind of villain the British won't object to.

One number in Fred Astaire's "The Castles" may be a star-maker. It's "The Girl on the Magazine Cover," and for it Hermes Pan, the picture's dance director, is interviewing 1,000 girls, in order to select the eight prettiest girls in Hollywood. With a start like that, at least one of them ought to have her name above theaters in lights before another year passes.

To return for a moment to "Wuthering Heights," when you see the picture you'll also see great masses of what appears to be real Yorkshire heather. Give credit for that to Nick Stadler, who can trick Mother Nature herself. That heather is made from about 10,000 plain American tumble weeds. The bushes farthest from the camera were sprayed with purple sawdust.

Lanny Ross made two guest appearances on the CBS Hit Parade and was promptly signed up for a full year. It's his first regular radio assignment since he broadcast from Hollywood several months ago.

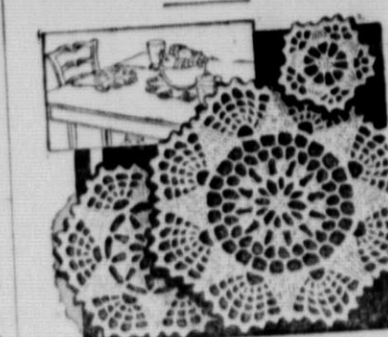
Patricia Crosby, Bing's fourteen-year-old niece from Seattle, was a visitor at one of her uncle's broadcasts recently, but she refused to sit in the audience. She and her father and mother listened from a booth off-stage, because Patricia thought their presence "might make Uncle Bing nervous."

John Griggs, who plays the villain, "Zero Smith," in the "Howie Win" radio serial, can have a respite from playing villains if he wants to. Sinclair Lewis has offered him a part in the stage play that he and Fay Wray have written. Griggs thinks he'll take the part if Mrs. Griggs can have one too.

Movie folk have something new to worry about these days. Many of them have been appearing on radio broadcasts that originate on the Coast, and liking both the experience and the pay checks. In fact, it's getting so that a movie actor is likely to feel that he can't really be popular unless he's a success on the air as well as on the screen.

So—every little while up bob rumors that most of the big radio programs now aired from the Coast have decided to return to New York.

Lovely Doilies Can Be Crocheted in a Jiffy



Pattern 1715

Don't be lacking doilies when you can make such lovely ones as these in little time in 4 strands of string. The three sizes lend themselves to luncheon and buffet sets and to doilies. Pattern 1715 contains directions for making doilies; illustrations of them and of stitches; materials required; photograph of doily.

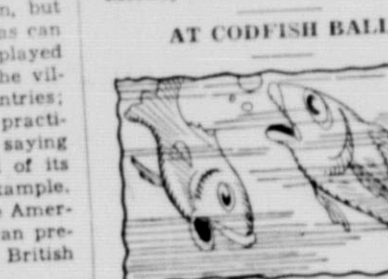
Send 15 cents in coins for this pattern to The Sewing Circle, Needlecraft Dept., 82 Eighth Avenue, New York, N. Y.



It's a Dress "My wife is very busy. She's going to address the women's club." "I suppose she's working on the address." "No, the dress."

Customer (to head waiter)—Just as a matter of curiosity, did the waiter who took my order leave any family?

Qualified "A comet is a star with a tail," said teacher, giving the class a lesson about the stars. "Can anyone name a comet?" "Yes, miss," cried one little lad, "Mickey Mouse!"



AT CODFISH BALL "You say he belongs to the codfish aristocracy. Where did you meet him?" "At the fish ball, of course!"

Or What? Police Sergeant—Give the prisoner a bath and clap him in irons. Crook—Gosh! First I was colored, now I'm being washed and ironed. Is this a police station or a laundry?

Before and After Robinson—I think a sharp nose usually indicates curiosity. Brown—And a flattened one may indicate too much.

The Guide—Yes, it must be over a thousand years old. You can take it from me they don't build such ancient castles nowadays.

Topsy Turvy World Customer—Isn't the price rather high for such a little pillow? Shop Assistant—Well, you see, madam, down is now up.

2-DROP RELIEF FOR HEAD COLDS. Head colds do make you feel miserable. Do this for relief: Put 2 drops Penetro Nose Drops in each nostril—so soothing, cooling to irritated membrane of the nose and throat. Penetro Nose Drops.

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That Nagging Backache. May Warn of Disordered Kidney Action. Modern life with its hurry and worry, irregular habits, improper eating and drinking—its risk of exposure and infection—throws heavy strain on the work of the kidneys. They are apt to become over-taxed and fail to filter excess acid and other impurities from the life-giving blood. You may suffer nagging backache, headache, dizziness, getting up nights, leg pains, swelling—feel constantly tired, nervous, all worn out. Other signs of kidney or bladder disorder may be burning, scanty or too frequent urination. Use Doan's Pills. Doan's help the kidneys to get rid of excess poisonous body waste. They are antiseptic to the urinary tract and tend to relieve irritation and the pain it causes. Many grateful people recommend Doan's. They have had more than forty years of public approval. Ask your neighbor!



**MARRIAGE PERSONALITY POINTERS**

The higher your score, out of a possible 20, the more it indicates that you have a good marriage personality.

QUESTION	ANSWERS GIVE POINTS FOR HUSBANDS		ANSWERS GIVE POINTS FOR WIVES	
Are you much affected by praise or blame?	No gives 1	Yes gives 1	No gives 1	Yes gives 1
Do you try to avoid arguments?	No gives 1	Yes gives 1	No gives 1	Yes gives 1
Do you often feel just miserable?	No gives 1	Yes gives 1	No gives 1	Yes gives 1
Have you ever tried to argue or bluff your way past a guard or doorman?	Yes or No gives 0	No gives 0	No gives 1	Yes gives 1
Are you touchy on various subjects?	No gives 1	Yes gives 1	No gives 1	Yes gives 1
Do you often feel lonesome when you are with other people?	No gives 1	Yes gives 1	No gives 2	Yes gives 2
Do you want someone to be with you when you receive bad news?	Yes or No gives 0	Yes gives 1	Yes or No gives 0	Yes gives 1
Are you able to play your best against a superior?	Yes gives 1	No gives 1	No gives 0	Yes gives 0
Do you usually avoid asking advice?	No gives 2	Yes gives 2	No gives 2	Yes gives 2
If you come late to a meeting, would you rather stand than take a front seat?	No gives 2	Yes gives 2	Yes or No gives 0	Yes or No gives 0
Do you prefer a play to a dance?	Yes gives 1	No gives 1	Yes gives 1	No gives 1
Are you considered critical of other people?	No gives 2	Yes gives 2	No gives 2	Yes gives 2
Does discipline make you discontented?	No gives 2	Yes gives 2	No gives 2	Yes gives 2
Do you lose your temper easily?	No gives 1	Yes gives 1	No gives 1	Yes gives 1
** Here are a few items which you may like, dislike or be indifferent to. L means Like, D Dislike, and I Indifferent.				
Smokers	I or D gives 1	I gives 1	D gives 1	D gives 1
Fortune-tellers	L or I gives 1	L gives 1	I gives 1	I gives 1
Writing personal letters	L gives 1	L gives 1	L gives 1	L gives 1
Saving money	L gives 1	L gives 1	L gives 1	L gives 1
Totals 20		Totals 20		

\* From Dr. Robert G. Benedict's "The Personality Inventory"  
\*\* From Dr. Edward K. Strong's "Vocational Interest Test"

**The SNAPSHOT GUILD**  
CHRISTMAS GIFTS



A portrait attachment—speaking of inexpensive Christmas gifts—is often essential for taking a close-up such as this.

CHRISTMAS is the gift season. Already, wise givers are making up lists, in order to do their shopping early. And I imagine most Snapshot Guild members, knowing how much the camera hobby has meant to them, will choose gifts that help others enjoy the fun of picture-making.

There are many such gifts, but they should be selected wisely: The gift must, by all means, be useful and suited to the person who receives it. Thus, it would be unwise to give an advanced type of camera to a beginner. Rather, give him—if a young child—a simple box camera or if around high school age—a folding camera. A book on how to make good pictures can well accompany each camera gift; there is a popular one for but fifty cents. Then later on, after he learns the elements of picture-taking, he can better use a superior camera with fast lens and wider picture-making range.

For your fellow hobbyists, camera accessories are ideal gifts. For example, few hobbyists have enough color filters. A choice of several filters is desirable, if special picture effects are to be obtained. Your friend may have a K-1 or K-2 filter for everyday use, yet need a light green X-1 filter for obtaining superior tone quality in outdoor scenes and informal portraits. He may also need a G or A filter for dramatic sky effects, or for clear-cut pictures of distant scenes. A needed filter would be an appropriate gift to him.

Many hobbyists go on excursions carrying camera and film in their pockets. A camera case would be convenient for them, and an appropriate gift. Some camera fans use old, none-too-steady tripods. New, firm tripods would delight them. Christmas morning such small gadgets as a lens-shade, a self-timer attachment, or a portrait attachment for close-up pictures are inexpensive gifts—yet much appreciated.

And while we're on the subject—there may be gadgets or equipment you need for your own use. If so, now is the time to begin hunting for them. A word dropped here and there will often work wonders along about December 25. It's certainly worth trying!

John van Gulder

gone crazy when they found out that she had spent a whole month's salary to rent the things she was wearing, and to buy a ticket for the opera. "But they never will find out," she told herself, as she carefully closed the back door behind her.

At the corner, she waited for a cab. On the way down, she heard the voice of Christmas everywhere. She saw its symbols in shop windows; in arches of green and red



strung across the streets. She told herself it must be the Christmas feeling in the air that made her do this daring thing. It was utterly ridiculous to dress up like a great lady, but one had to be different at Christmas. And life had been pretty dull for Betty since she had to accept the work she was doing.

The story of the opera took her back to a medieval world. In a few moments she was completely lost in its atmosphere, so much so that she failed to notice that the man seated at her right was sending admiring glances in her direction. When the curtain went up, he leaned over and spoke.

"I love this," he said simply.

"I do, too," Betty answered, with a little catch in her voice. It seemed incredible that he was speaking to her. He was really acting as if she belonged. By the time the curtain went up again they were calling each other Prince and Princess; taking the names of the two leading characters on the stage.

As the great drama moved to its close Betty tried to hurry away. She

didn't want her Prince to find out what an impostor she was. But he had taken hold of her arm. "Couldn't we go and have some coffee?" he suggested. "I know I'm a stranger to you, but—but, it's Christmas—and—"

"I should say 'no,'" Betty told herself. "I should even tell him the truth about myself." Instead, she accompanied him to the coffee shop across the street. She couldn't deny herself this one hour of happiness. After it was over, well—Betty would not let her thoughts go further.

She almost forgot that she was playing a part as they sat together. They seemed to have so much in common. He had read widely—the type of books she liked; he took an interest in so many things she liked; seemed to be as romantic and visionary as herself. But he spoke no word to indicate that he wanted to see her again.

Gloom enveloped the world for Betty next morning. As if to add to her humiliation and misery, a clogged-up drain was sending oozy brown water back into the sink. Her feet dragged across the floor as she answered the plumber's knock.

Then the world spun dizzily around her for a moment. A rush of joy, of wonder, lifted her heart. Her Prince was standing in the doorway, his evening clothes replaced by clean blue overalls, his good-looking face wrinkled in bewilderment.

"I—I thought you were—" he stammered.

"And I—I thought you were—" Betty gasped in answer.

When explanations were over, a make-believe Prince and Princess were wondering if Christmas wasn't the very nicest time for a wedding ceremony.

**MYSTIFYING AIRPLANE**

Visitors entering the Aviation Building at the New York World's Fair 1939 will become instantly aware of a low, persistent droning, the familiar but undisturbing sound of a plane in the distant sky. The sound will carry their eyes to

a towering, curving wall more than 200 feet away where the curve will be seen a plane as if in flight, its propellers whirling, its illusion of dramatically augmented projection of moving against the background.



**SEASON'S GREETINGS**

WE GREET YOU WITH BEST WISHES FOR THE SEASON AND HOPE THE NEW YEAR WILL BE ONE OF PROSPERITY AND HAPPINESS!

Our entire personnel extends Season's best wishes to the patrons of this institution.

**Matador Auto Company**

"When you step into a Ford V-8 you can step out ahead"

**In The Glamour of Christmas**



BETTY PRICE dabbed a spot of rouge on each cheek, touched the places lightly for a natural

effect, then dipped in the perfume bottle and rubbed the back of her small ears.

Tilting back the blurred mirror, she surveyed herself critically. The effect seemed entirely satisfactory. Betty sighed ecstatically. "I look like a million dollars," she breathed. "I—I can almost convince myself that I am a great lady tonight."

Carefully her silver-slipped feet descended the narrow stairs. She must get away as quickly as possible. What would the unromantic Mr. and Mrs. James Barstow say if they saw the Cinderella of their kitchen arrayed in garments like these? Betty chuckled at the thought. They would think she had



**A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A Happy New Year**

In approaching the joyous Christmas Holidays, we appreciate the opportunity which we have had of serving you during the past and throughout the years that are gone. It is to our friends that we are under obligation for whatever success we have enjoyed.

We wish for you the utmost success and happiness, not only now but during the years that are before you.

**Simpson's Drug Store**  
Fred G. Simpson, Mgr.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**



We desire to extend to you the compliments of the season and express our sincere wishes for your prosperity in the coming year. We hope to continue the cordial relations between us.

**AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR**

**Harry Willett & Company**



**SINCERE GREETINGS**

Wreaths and trees and tinsel gifts alone can't make a Christmas. It takes bright friendships and solid old acquaintances... and cheerful greetings to your neighbors. That's what we like about the holiday... and that's why we're saying - - -

**MERRY CHRISTMAS to YOU now... and WISHING you a PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR**

**Higginbotham-Bartlett Company**

HENRY FORD, Manager  
MATADOR, TEXAS



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## LINE RIDER IS CORRALLED

Cupid tossed a lariat into the remuda of matrimonial outlaws last week and drug out Clarence Smauley for Miss Marjory Cavitt to break to work in double harness when Rev. C. D. Pipkin united the couple in marriage here Saturday afternoon, December 17, 1938.

The groom who teethed on a branding ring and wore a pair of cut-down chaps for rompers, is still shy of domestic trappings but promises to develop into worth while material as soon as he gets used to sleeping without his boots on.

Mrs. Smauley is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Cavitt of Monday, Texas, former residents of the Teepee Flat community, and a sister of Mrs. Edd D. Smith.

Mr. Smauley has been employed by the Matador Land and Cattle Co., at intervals for the past five years, and is now manager of the Larkey line camp where the couple will make their home.

### TO VISIT IN HOUSTON

Dr. and Mrs. E. B. Jones will leave Matador Tuesday for Houston where they will spend several days visiting Mrs. Jones' parents and where Dr. Jones will attend an oral surgery clinic.

## The SNAPSHOT GUILD

A LOCAL CAMERA CLUB



Exchange of ideas on picture-taking leads to better pictures and more snapshot fun. Every town should have a camera club.

IN EVERY town where there are several camera fans, there should be a local camera club. Such clubs are of value to anyone who takes pictures and wants to improve his picture-taking.

The camera club brings snapshotshooters together. It enables them to exchange ideas, and swap experiences. They can work together on problems, hear useful discussions, and organize special events such as picture parties, hikes or excursions. Contact with other camera fans helps each member, for there is always something new to be learned.

In the club, one member may know a great deal about taking snapshots at night. He can advise others on lighting, film and exposure for night snapshots. Another member may own a miniature camera, and specialize in "off-guard" snaps or human-interest pictures of children at play. Still another may know something about sports pictures, or flower pictures. Thus, each member can contribute some knowledge which will help all the others make better snapshots.

So popular and practical are camera clubs that, in the past few years,

several thousand have organized in the United States. Some clubs have hundreds of members; others, only four or five. But no matter how small, the club is of value. In many instances, the camera club is part of a larger group, such as a Boy Scout troop or woman's club. Often, the club is able to have regular meeting rooms, and members "chip in" to fit out a darkroom with better equipment than each could afford by himself.

Organization of the club is quite simple. Camera fans simply get together, arrange for regular meetings, and plan a series of programs. Literature and suggestions for program material are obtained from various sources—often from manufacturers of cameras and film, who have special departments to supply such material without charge for club use. Picture exhibitions or "criticism nights" are usually planned, and whenever possible, tours, hikes, or other special picture jaunts are arranged. Under the stimulus of these activities, it is small wonder that pictures improve, and the snapshotter gets more fun and benefit from his camera hobby!

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Moore, met in the church parlor Monday evening for a business session and social hour. New officers were elected to serve the coming six months, and were: President, Mrs. Eldred Seigler, first vice-president, Mrs. Vernon Doss, second vice-pres., Miss Ruth Groves, third vice-pres., Mrs. Tom Newman, and sec-treas., Mrs. D. P. Keith. Several biblical games were played, and refreshments served to Mesdames Moore, Doss, Newman, V. J. Skaggs, Clyde Bartlett, Mallie Fulfer, Jack Edwards, H. M. Weldon, and Ben Meador, and Misses Ruth Groves, Marie Hunsucker and Pauline Rister.

### Choral Club Has Second Meeting

The Matador Choral Club assembled Monday evening, for its second meeting, with a number of new members joining the organization. Over 35 attended the meeting.

Practice of old and new Christmas carols was conducted by the leader, Miss Mable Jameson, after which the club adjourned for the holidays. First meeting of the new year will be held Monday evening, January 9, at the Baptist Church.

Membership in the club is open to anyone in the community interested in choral practice, with a fee of only 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for young people under 21 years of age.

### MARRIAGE REVEALED

The marriage of Miss Juandell Davis to a Mr. Bob Warden, of Lubbock in a ceremony performed at Clovis, New Mexico on Thanksgiving, has been recently revealed and comes as a surprise to the many friends here of the bride.

Mrs. Warden, who is the youngest daughter of Mrs. L. F. Davis, formerly of Matador, was reared here and was a popular student in the local schools. Mrs. Davis moved with her family to Clovis, New Mexico several years ago, and from there to Lubbock, where they had made their home the past year.

### Cottonwood Trees Make Lumber

GRAND ISLAND, Nebr.—Several thousand board feet of native cottonwood lumber are being saved by the Prairie States Forestry Project this week near Royal, Nebraska, according to the local Forest Service office. Mature cottonwood trees are being saved up with a portable sawmill and planer

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which has been moved into an old timber claim. The trees are more than fifty years old and each produces approximately 400 board feet of usable lumber. Some of the lumber will be used for making stakes to mark the sites of 1,000 linear miles of field shelterbelts which will be planted in thirty Nebraska counties next spring. The shelterbelts, which average one-half mile in length and are composed of ten

rows of trees, will be planted by the Forest Service in cooperation with nearly 2,000 farmers and land owners in Nebraska. Many of the trees being sawed are of the so-called yellow cottonwood strain which is much straighter grained and of softer texture than the more common native cottonwood. It is well adapted to inside use but warps and twists when exposed to outside weather conditions.

## Announcing... Change Of OWNERSHIP

I have purchased the grocery business known as Force's Grocery located one door South of Magnolia Cafe.

The same business policies will be followed and I will appreciate a continuation of your patronage.

A full stock of fine and staple will be offered at moderate prices.

## SKAGG'S GROCERY

V. J. Skaggs, Mgr.



## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

### — AND — Best Wishes

We extend Christmas Greetings to our many friends and patrons—and may the New Year bring much joy and happiness.

## Where Friends Meet TEXAN CAFE

Mr. and Mrs. Tom King, Mgrs.



## NOEL

Again the world sings the ageless Noel. And once more the Spirit of Christmas brings the moral of Peace On Earth and Good Will Toward Men.

It is our sincere wish that as the universe joins in this Christmas Carol the moral of the Yuletide—of Noel—will be impressed deeply into every heart in every nation. Then shall peace truly reign on earth and every day be Christmas.

## GREETINGS

BEST WISHES FOR  
HAPPY NEW YEAR

## MODERN BEAUTY SOLON

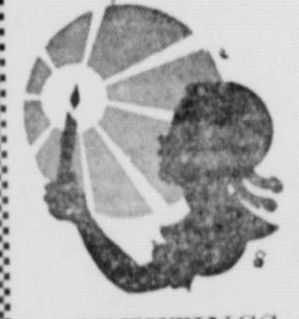
JULIA DAVIS, Manager

## Our Wish To You...

To our friends and patrons, we say GREETINGS and wish you individually all the joy and happiness that can be crowded into each Christmas stocking. May the Yule season bring abundant joy to you and yours.

**J. L. Kuykendall**  
Flomot, Texas

### TO OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS



### GREETINGS

To all patrons and friends far and near we send a message of Christmas Cheer and hope to serve you well again the coming year.



### COMPLIMENTS OF THE HOLIDAY SEASON

Here's to Health, Wealth and Contentment Through

1939

**MISSION  
GAS & OIL CO.**  
HART HARRIS, Mgr.

### YULE SOCIALS ARE FEATURE OF SEASON

With the swift approach of Christmas, several church affairs have been held this week featuring the holiday spirit of giving.

The Girl's Auxiliary of the Baptist W. M. U. directed by Mrs. Earl Laughlin enjoyed a social Monday afternoon at the home of Dorothy Woodruff, with over 20 young ladies present. Seasonal games were played, and refreshments served.

The Sunbeam band under the direction of Mrs. H. M. Weldon and Mrs. J. L. Woodruff, enjoyed a Christmas party and exchange of gifts Monday afternoon.

Members of the Fidelis Sunday School class, taught by Mrs. J. R.



## Greetings

It is with profound pleasure and appreciation that we take this means of expressing our sentiments of Season's Good Cheer.

May we continue to serve you in the future? We have set our goal to even more efficient service, and we desire the privilege of showing you how sincere we really are. Again we say, 'Thank you'

The Entire Personnel Joins in Wishing You Happiness

## EDDIE'S BAKERY

Matador, Texas





**Programs Are Arranged By M. E. Church Baptists Hold Two Services During Past Sunday**

Special programs centering about the birthday of Christ will be held

at First Methodist Church Friday evening at which time a Christmas tree with gifts for the children will be held, and again on Sunday morning when specially arranged music will be presented. The program committee for Friday evening's service, consisting of Miss Mable Jameson, Mrs. Thelma Dirrickson and Clay Gilbert, has worked out a very interesting and appealing pantomime to be accompanied by impressive readings. This will be followed by the distribution of gifts from the tree. The service will begin at

7:30 p. m. Services for the morning worship period on Sunday morning will follow the Christmas theme also, with specially prepared hymns and carols by the choir, and sermon by the pastor on the Nativity. **Baptists Have Programs** Two special Christmas services were held at the Baptist Church last Sunday, when the Primary department of the Sunday School presented a program at the morning hour, and the Girl's Auxillary had charge of the evening worship period.

Mrs. H. M. Weldon directed a little playlet which was given by the Primary group on a Missionary theme, with several children portraying little folk of other lands. Rose Mary Edwards and Donna Ann Weldon sang a duet, as a part of the program, and Rev. Weldon made a short talk, concluding the service.

In the service Sunday evening, which was directed by Mrs. Earl Laughlin, the program consisted of Song, "Silent Night"; Scripture reading by Fausteena Fulfer; reading by Betty Price; song, "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"; play, "World Comrades"; piano solo by Dorothy Woodruff; vocal solo, "Little Town of Bethlehem"; Rachel Carpenter, accompanied at the piano by Lela Carpenter; reading by June Bishop, and concluding song, "Joy to the World".

**Bagdad on the Subway**



New York skyline from the Hudson River. Woolworth Building at left.

**M**ANY years ago O. Henry coined a phrase that has remained the most descriptive ever written of fabulous New York. "Bagdad on the Subway" was the name the prolific writer gave the city on the Hudson.

In the January issue of Pictorial Review, Margaret Cousins, noted writer, takes her readers for a tour of the world's wonder city. The harbor is alive with ferries, coal and freight barges, excursion boats, and government launches. Small, trim yachts rock perilously on the big waves and far out great liners move majestically through the Narrows and point their speeding noses to far-off ports. Overhead is the painstaking span of the Brooklyn Bridge—one of the three great structures that bring millions into the financial and commercial section of the city daily. Millions of words have been written about New York and scores of famous writers have differed as to the best approach to the city from a scenic point of view. Miss Cousins has written an amazingly complete story of the metropolis and its wonders.

Matador, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy seven years old. I am in the first grade in school, but I'm sick in bed now. I may not see you in town, so I'm writing

a letter to tell you what I want to bring me Christmas. I want an air rifle with shots, and an accordion. Anything else will please me.  
Love to you Santa Claus.  
J. Truman Groves

**A MERRY CHRISTMAS...**



As another Christmas Day rolls 'round we think back on our many years of pleasant business associations with you, and send you our friendliest seasonal greetings. May your happiness be as certain as our wishes are sincere.

**Magnolia Cafe & Service Station**



**Christmas Greetings**

We appreciate the happy association with our patrons during the past year and look forward to the New Year with its opportunity to serve again those who have been so kind.

We thank you one and all and extend our warmest wishes for your happiness during Christmas and the New Year.

**—We Appreciate Your Business—  
Gulf Service Station**

BENNIE COX, Manager

**"Peace on Earth  
Good Will  
Toward Men"**

In this, the most human and kindly of seasons may we send you greetings as warm as the sunshine itself.

**Recital Is Presented**

Mrs. J. R. Whitworth and Miss Mable Jameson presented their pupils in expression and music, in a recital Friday evening, at the high school auditorium, which was attended by an appreciative audience.

The program consisted of the following: "Autumn Sunset", Frances Stearns; "Mouse's Christmas Gift", Joy Martin; "Lazy Mary", Dona Ann Weldon; "A Note to Santa", Mary Ann Whitaker; "Wooden Shoe Dance", Dorothy Woodruff; "What Santa Forgot", John Houston Irwin; "Swaying Daffodils", Tom Nell Darsey; "Little Curly Head March", duet by Don Paul and Ruth Evelyn Keith.

"In My Stocking", Gordon Russell; "Toreador Song", Frances Schweitzer; "Shepherds Song", Elmer Gene Jameson; "Roller Skates", Leona Martin; "Barcarole", Ruth Evelyn Keith; "Mother's Hour of Rest", Dorothy Jean Henderson; "Balloon's in the Air", Jolene Bloodworth; "Water Nymphs", Keith Patton; "Calling For Santa", Gladys Marie Springer; "Little Chinaman", Don Paul Keith; "Love Dreams", Kara Hunsucker; "Daffodils at Circus", Oneita Whitaker; "Adoration", Lela Carpenter; "Vocation", Martha Ray Cudd; "Dying Poet", Marie Hunsucker.

**NEW ARRIVAL**

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Latimer are proud parents of an 8 pound baby girl, Barbara Ann, who arrived Monday, December 19, 1938, at the home of Mrs. Latimer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Edmondson.

**Flomot Business Changes Hands**

A deal was culminated last week between Ralph Merritt and R. F. Cunningham, in which Mr. Merritt purchased the latter's grocery store stock, and took charge Tuesday, December 20.

Mr. Merritt has been farming in the Flomot community for the past several years and is well-known throughout this vicinity. He has many friends who wish him success in his new venture.

**CHILDRESS TO BE HOST TO LEGIONAIRES**

A big Christmas party is planned by the Legionaires of the 18th District at the District monthly meeting to be held next Tuesday, December 27 at 7:30 P. M. with Fox-Furr Post No. 65 of Childress as host. These meetings are held each month and the Commander of the local American Legion Post urges every Legionaire who can, to be present at this meeting. The last meeting was held at Canyon with over 275 present.

The Childress Legionaires are planning one of the biggest Christmas parties ever held in the District. A short business, a BIG feed, and a bigger dance is part of the evening's program. The slogan of this meeting will be, "Bust quota before New Year's". Every Post in the District with a few exceptions have reached their membership quota and the few that haven't will have their's by this meeting. The 18th District of the American Legion now has it's largest membership.

At this meeting, Mrs. John Deaver, 18th District President of the

**American Legion Auxiliary will preside over the Auxiliary units.**

Lou Roberts of Borger, 18th District membership Chairman, says let's give Charlie memberships for a Christmas present. All Posts are expected to present, at least enough memberships to reach their quota, to Charlie Maisel of Pampa, 18th Dist. Commander, who will preside at this meeting.

**JR. STUDY CLUB HAS MEETING**

The Junior El Progresso Study Club met Wednesday afternoon with Zona Ruth Scaff, for a program on the subject of "Christmas", which was led by the hostess.

Part of the program were as follows: "Christmas Story", Wandell Berryman; "Story of Christ", Lela Carpenter; "Birth of Christ", Frances Carpenter; and Christmas Poem, Ruth Rushing.

Refreshments were served to Misses Ruth Rushing, Frances Stearns, Frances Carpenter, Marie Hunsucker, Aileen Russell, Jewel McCoy, Mary Ola Tipton, Lela Carpenter, Myrnavae Barkley, Wandell Berryman and Zona Ruth Scaff, and sponsors, Mrs. E. W. McKenzie, Mrs. George Springer and Miss Amy Glenn.

**LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS**

Flomot, Texas  
December 17, 1938

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy 5 years old. I have been very good, so please bring me a B-B gun and a little car. I may be living at Paducah by Christmas. Be sure to come to see my sister Juanita, and she wants roller skates. Don't forget Lola Kay, she is my little friend.  
Thanks,  
Joe Edd McAllister,  
Rt. 1, Box 129

**TRAWEEK HOSPITAL**

A. C. Traweek, M. D. Albert Traweek, Jr., M. D.



**MAY YOU HAVE A HAPPIER CHRISTMAS ... and ... NEW YEAR THAN YOU'VE EVER HAD BEFORE**

If we are to have happiness in life we must remember the pleasant and happy experiences and forget the sad and gloom of the past. With Christmas here and as we look back over the past we can be thankful for a great many blessings and take courage to look into the future and expect much of the New Year. We are grateful to our friends and patrons and sincerely wish happiness and good fortune for each of you during Christmas and the New Year. We trust that we may have the pleasure of serving you throughout the coming year.

We Appreciate Our Customers

**MACK'S Service Station**  
Wiley McCowan, Mgr.



**SALUTATIONS...**

Here's a warm good wish and true for your Christmas joy. May life bring lasting happiness as a Christmas gift to each of you. And may the New Year be the beginning of many prosperous ones that are in store for you.

**MATADOR Lions Club**



**AND CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**



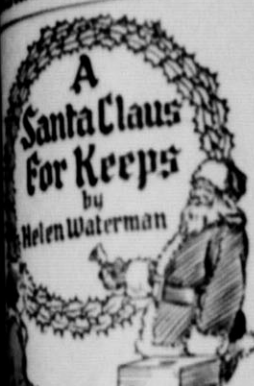
**Christmas Cheer**  
Joy Be With You At This  
**YULETIDE**

We are mindful of our debt to the friends who have favored our business, a debt of gratitude which we can never fully repay. We feel that we would be ungrateful if we failed to seize this opportunity and eagerly wish you a MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS! EACH OF US WISH EACH OF YOU A MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR

**City Tailor Shop**

H. M. Solomon, Mgr. Mrs. Mary McMahan Tom Vivian





A Santa Claus for Keeps by Helen Waterman. Babs was such a little girl to be disappointed at Christmas...

"You're going on five, Babs. Try to understand. What we call Santa Claus is really just the love people have for each other at Christmas..."

National Safe Driving Campaign Starts Soon

SUPPOSE that, back in the days when the first automobile manufacturer rolled his first car out of the factory, a tall, dark stranger had made to Americans the following proposition: "See that queer-looking machine?"

DRIVE AGAINST DOGS IN CITY GROWING

THE time is coming nearer when city people may have to give up their dogs. The movement to keep dogs out of cities chalks up new gains each year...



Fido

Ancient Holly Still Spreads Holiday Cheer

In homes throughout America this Christmas the holly plant will carry on its age-old duty of spreading Yuletide spirit, a custom that dates back to the pagan tribes of continental Europe.



evidence of good will. Homes and churches were decorated with holly laden with crimson berries when the pagans celebrated the feast of Saturnalia, the "turning on of the sun."

To Everybody Everywhere

We are happy to take this occasion to wish you a very Merry Christmas. May health, happiness and prosperity be yours, not only this Christmas Day but every day.

Swim & Sons SERVICE STATION J. C. Brownlow, Mechanic Roaring Springs

MERRIE CHRISTMAS illustration with a house and trees.

Our Wish To You... At Christmas time we lay aside our worries and cares and have a season of mirth and fellowship.

JESSE'S CAFE - SPECIAL FOR CHRISTMAS - Plate Lunch--25c Chicken Dinner Good and Hot

colored lights and loops of greenery on lamp posts. "What's she want, Bill?" "I can't just get it. Something about Santa Claus."

JOYOUS CHRISTMAS WE HOPE THAT CHRISTMAS FINDS YOU AND YOURS IN THE ENJOYMENT OF ALL THE BLESSINGS OF LIFE AND THAT THE NEW YEAR BRINGS YOU FULFILLMENT OF WORTHWHILE AMBITIONS AND PLANS. MATADOR CHORAL CLUB

a doctor, a nurse, and Babs must be quiet, and mustn't see Mummy—not for days. Through it all Santa Claus kept coming back, only without the beard or red suit.



IF WISHES HAD WINGS... OUR BEST WISHES WOULD COME FLYING TO YOUR HOME AT THIS GLAD CHRISTMAS SEASON

We hope you will be visited by dreams that come true and by hopes that have a rich fulfillment. And when the New Year comes sailing over the horizon of time, we hope that it brings you twelve months of undiluted achievements of your finest plans.

We Appreciate Your Friendship And Patronage Matador Cleaners MATADOR, TEXAS



We Wish You A Merry Christmas

We feel deeply grateful for the consideration you have so kindly extended to us in the past and take this opportunity, at the close of the year, to thank you for all the fine things that have been ours to enjoy.

AND HAPPY NEW YEAR Burton-Lingo Co. CLYDE BARTLETT, Manager "Pioneer Lumber Company of West Texas"

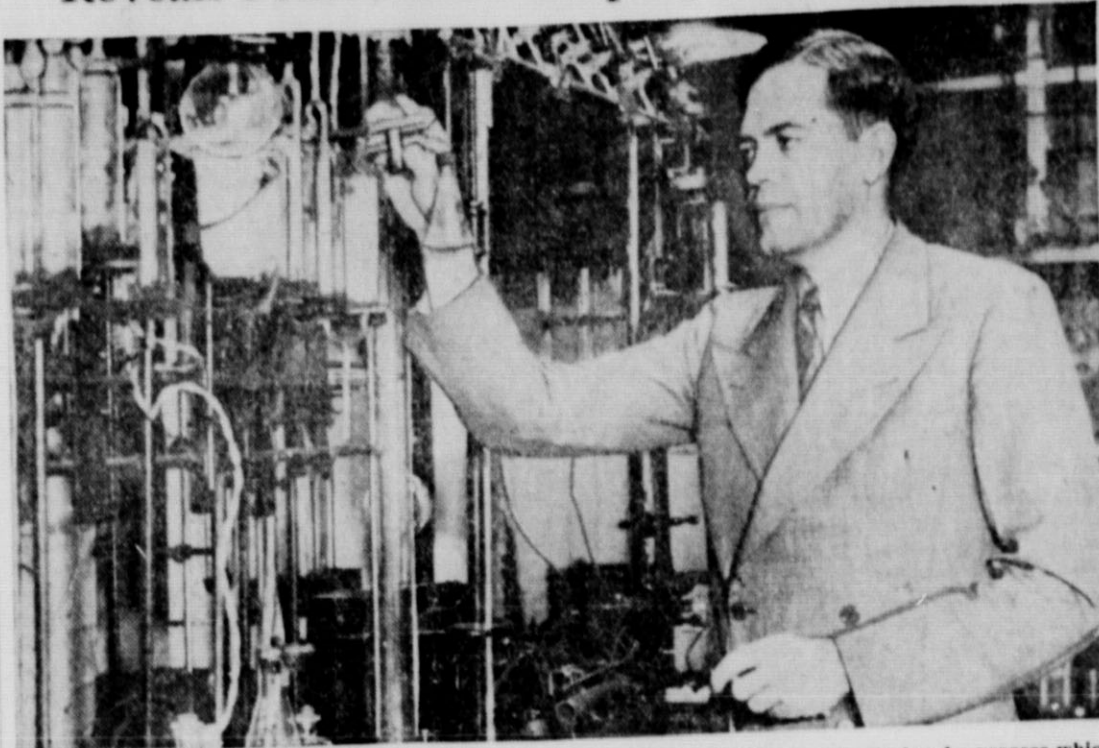


### World War Battlefields Yield Metal Wealth



Although the World war ended 20 years ago thousands of individuals continue to make a living from the battlefields of France. In the Somme, near Albert, workers find huge amounts of copper, lead and iron. All the recovered shells and bombs are first sent to an isolated spot near a special factory, where they are stored. Every safety precaution is taken to avoid injuries from live shells and bombs, and constant practice has insured a minimum of accidents. In 1937 more than 4,000,000 pounds of war material was removed from the Somme area alone. Left: Nicknamed "The Negus," this shell hunter is typical of the French workers in the battlefield. His divining rod, which probes the earth, tells him the type of buried war material.

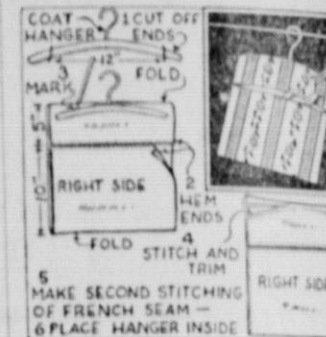
### Reveals Process for Pumping Coal in Pipes



Dr. Robert E. Burk of Western Reserve university, Cleveland, Ohio, recently disclosed a process which he said might revolutionize American heavy industry by enabling great mill furnaces to receive powdered coal piped direct from mines miles away. The powdered coal would be suspended in a soapy solution, pumped from mine to mill, and the soap removed by applying lime.

### Make This Useful Bag on a Hanger

By RUTH WYETH SPEARS  
THIS bag has been a great success. Several others can be made for different purposes. They are good to hang in the closet, the sewing room for patterns, small equipment. When traveling I find a little bigger one perfect for laundry. The size shown here requires 3/4 yard of bright ticking.



You will notice in the sketch the French seams are used. This makes the first stitching of the seams on the right side. Turn close to this stitching, turn the bag inside out and stitch the seams again so that the raw edges are covered. Punch a small hole in the center top for the hanger hook. Clip today's lesson and add it to the many gift suggestions contained in the books offered below.

NOTE: Mrs. Spears' Book 24 Gifts, Novelties and Embroideries has helped thousands of women to use odds and ends of material and their spare time to make things to sell and to use. Book 1 Sewing, for the Home Decorator is full of inspiration for every homemaker. These books make delightful Christmas gifts. Mrs. Spears will autograph them on request. Books are 25 cents each. Crazypatch quilt leaflet is included free with every order for books. Address: Mrs. Spears, 25 S. Desplains St., Chicago, Ill.

### Grandmothers Rehearse New Dance Routine



Members of the Elderblom society, an organization formed by a Philadelphia widow in 1904 for the purpose of choral singing, are seen as they rehearse for a New York night club act. The 11 white-haired Gold Star grandmothers from Long Beach, Calif., shag, truck and sing in swing style. They range in age from 65 to 71 years. Membership in the Elderblom society is restricted to women over 50 with white hair.

### As 76th Congress Prepares to Convene



Lindley G. Beekworth, left, 25-year-old Texan, will be the youngest house member in recent years when congress convenes in January. A former school teacher, he unseated Rep. Morgan Sanders, veteran of 18 years in the house, in the Democratic primaries. Carter Glass of Virginia, center, oldest senator, will celebrate his eighty-first birthday January 4. Rep. Joseph Martin Jr., right, of Massachusetts, chairman of the Republican congressional committee, is almost assured of election to the leadership of the minority in the congressional session. He will succeed Bertrand Snell of New York, who did not seek re-election.

### Wise and Otherwise

A rumor is often very skimpy, but it soon gets round all the same.  
It's not much of a brag when a man tells another he has forgotten more than he has ever known.  
Courtship makes a man spoon, but marriage makes him fork out.  
Work is the secret of success, says the millionaire. Yes, but you've got to get other people to do it for you.  
Have you heard of the absent-minded gangster who held his machine-gun on his lap and fired his secretary.

### YOUNGEST REFUGEE



The youngest refugee in the huge camp at Szeprance, Czechoslovakia, seems very happy. The camp has been established in a former canning factory near Prague. It houses 250 refugees, including German Jews and Social Democrats.

### Born in U. S., No Longer a Citizen



Returning to the United States from Siberia, Mrs. Pauline Kim, a Jewish woman born in Brooklyn and former teacher at Staten Island, learned from immigration authorities that she and her four-year-old son can stay here only six months. Eight years ago she married Herbert Kim, a Korean student at Columbia university, and lost her citizenship. He took her to China and then to Siberia. He is being held in a Russian concentration camp as an "economic spy." Mrs. Kim is now a Chinese citizen.

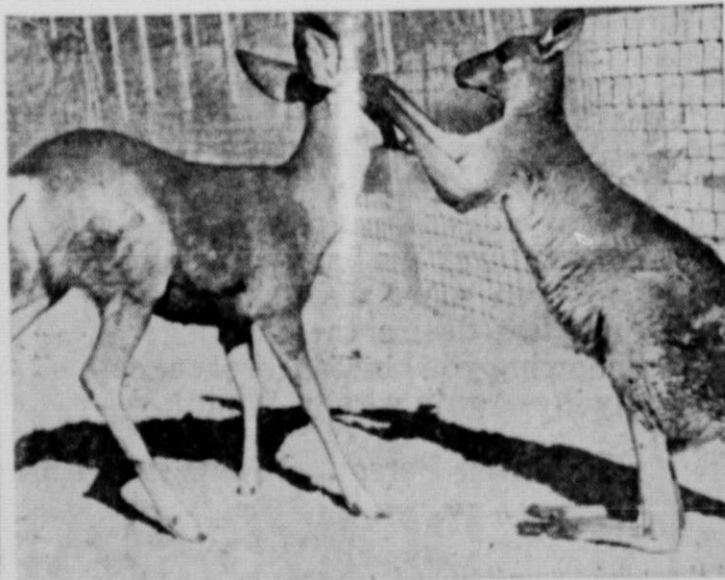
### NEW TYPE RAINCOAT



Though snow blankets much of the country, raincoats are still a necessity in other sections. Even the dog is equipped with a rain-proof coat made of koroseal, a new non-deteriorating substance developed in Akron.

Improve Mind by Exercise  
Uncle Ad says you can improve the mind by exercise, just as you can improve the muscles.

### Animals Develop Strange Friendship



Something new in animal friendships has developed in Griffith Park zoo, Los Angeles. Sparky, a nine-months-old mule deer, is unhappy unless he is living and playing with Jimmy, a six-year-old kangaroo. The strange friendship between the two animals started six months ago when the keeper noticed that Jimmy spent most of his time against the fence snuzzling Sparky. They were put together, and have been pals ever since.

### SERGEANT MAJOR



Sergeant Major Jiggs III, bull dog mascot of the U. S. marines, found everything to his satisfaction at the annual Philadelphia dog show held recently. Jiggs is a stellar attraction at all dog shows in which he is entered.

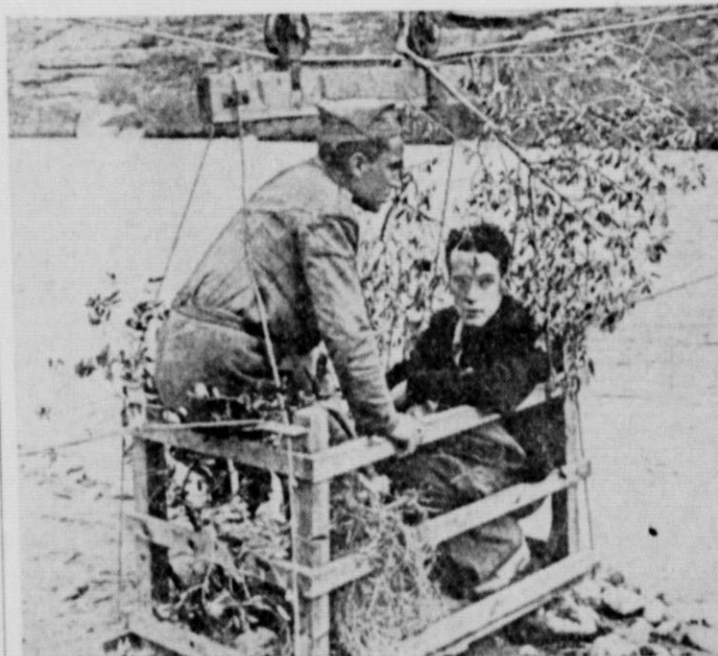
### GOLD MEDAL FOR HER



Miss Louise A. Boyd, explorer and geographer, who recently returned from her sixth expedition to the Arctic, received the American Geographical society's Cullum gold medal for 1938. She is the second woman to be so honored.

Cleveland Vetoes Most Bills  
Grover Cleveland vetoed more bills than any other President in his two terms.

### Camouflaged Ferry Protects Loyalists



Two Spanish Loyalist soldiers prepare to cross the Serge river in an improvised ferry rigged up after all the bridges in the vicinity had been destroyed by the enemy. The camouflaged carrier prevents them from being detected by rebel airplanes.

### New Fishing Sloop for President



Captain Bill McCoy, a Palm Beach business man, states that he has been asked to supervise the building of a \$20,000 mahogany fishing sloop to be presented to President Roosevelt by the Dominican Republic "to show its high regard" for the President. Captain McCoy has completed blueprints which have been approved by President Roosevelt, he said.

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### French Toast Adds Touch of Glamour

**Delicacy Big Favorite in Many Countries**

By EDITH M. BARBER

THE French call it "lost bread"—perhaps because when French toast is made properly, it has lost its plain bread character. The Germans and the Spaniards also claim this delicacy. The recipes are all the same, as far as the principles go. Bread sliced about one-half inch thick, from which the crusts may be trimmed or not as you like is dipped into a mixture of eggs and milk with a little salt, to which sometimes sugar is added. It is then sautéed in fat or for the most delicate results, fried in what might be called half-deep fat.

The frying pan may be used, and enough oil, lard, or hardened vegetable fat, put into it to provide an inch of melted shortening. This should be heated until very hot as the bread, being wet and moist, after dipping, will cool it quickly. Between installments, the fat should be reheated. After frying the toast, it is of course, drained on soft paper.

It may be served as a dessert with sugar and cinnamon, honey or maple syrup, or it may be used as a foundation for creamed eggs, fish, meat or vegetables to which its crispness gives a good contrast.

**French Toast.**

1 egg, slightly beaten  
1/4 cup milk  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
8 slices bread, 1/2 inch thick  
Mix egg and milk. Add salt. Cut bread in halves and dip into egg mixture. Fry in deep, hot fat, 380 degrees Fahrenheit, or in half-deep fat until light brown. Drain on soft paper.

**Cheese Toast.**

3 eggs, slightly beaten  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1/4 cup milk  
6 slices cheese  
12 slices bread, 1/2 inch thick  
Combine eggs, salt and milk. Place sliced cheese between two pieces of bread, dip into egg mixture and sauté in hot fat until golden brown on both sides.

#### EVER TRY THESE?

**Rich Muffins.**

1/2 cup butter  
1/2 cup sugar  
1 egg  
3 teaspoons baking powder  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
2 cups flour  
1 cup milk  
Cream the butter, add the sugar and egg, well-beaten; sift the baking powder and salt with the flour and add to the first mixture, alternating with milk. Bake in greased gem pans, 25 minutes in a moderately hot oven (375 degrees Fahrenheit).

**Orange and Onion Salad.**

3 oranges  
2 Spanish or Bermuda onions  
French dressing  
Slice the oranges after peeling and arrange with slices of onion on a bed of lettuce or endive. Dress with French dressing and let stand at least one hour before serving.

**Snow Pudding.**

1/4 tablespoons gelatin  
1/4 cup cold water  
1 cup boiling water  
1 cup sugar  
1/2 cup lemon juice  
3 egg whites  
Soak the gelatin in cold water, dissolve with the boiling water, add the sugar and lemon juice, stir until the sugar is dissolved, and cool quickly. When thick, beat until frothy. Beat the whites of the eggs, add to the gelatin mixture, and continue beating until it is stiff enough to hold its shape. Cool and serve with soft custard.

**Texas Fried Chicken.**

2 young chickens  
Flour  
Salt and pepper  
Wash, clean and cut chickens into pieces for serving. Dredge well with flour, seasoned with salt and pepper. Melt butter or bacon fat in a heavy frying pan. There should be about an inch of fat, after melting. Add chickens to hot fat and cook until light brown, turning often. Serve with cream gravy.

**Spinach Puree.**

2 cups cooked spinach  
2 tablespoons butter  
1 tablespoon flour  
1/4 cup cream  
Rub spinach through sieve. Add butter, flour and cream. Reheat, stirring constantly and cook until mixture boils.

**Fruit Whip.**

1 package strawberry gelatin  
1 cup boiling water  
1 cup canned cherry juice  
1 cup canned white cherries, stoned and cut into pieces  
6 marshmallows, cut into pieces  
Dissolve gelatin in boiling water. Add cherry juice. Cool. When gelatin is almost set, beat to very stiff froth. Fold in fruit and marshmallows. Pile in glasses. Chill.

**Powder Blue and Rose**

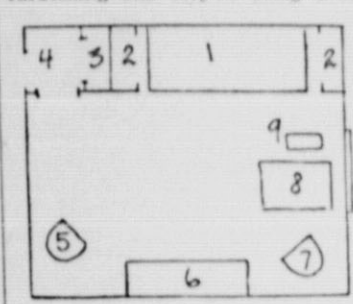
Pale powder blue contrasted by dull rose makes a color scheme for a living room that never fails to please. The painted walls and ceiling are a delicate tint of powder blue, the upholstery of chair and couch, the window draperies and valance are all made of material combining blue with soft rose-red against an ecru colored background.

### Household Hints

By BETTY WELLS

EBIE M. and I were cronies as freshmen and I've only had fleeting glimpses of her since. But we've corresponded all these years, so I feel as if I knew her whole family well. Bruce, her engineer-husband, who can do all sorts of fancy wiring for electrical gadgets. . . . Robert, aged eight, who is nearly as good a woodsman as his mother and father. . . . Ebie herself who is a pretty perky sort of person with a heavenly complexion and natural platinum blonde hair.

They've just recently bought the house in town—'twas one they'd rented for some time. So they've embarked on quite a session of re-furbishing and they're doing a lot



A grand room for a boy.

of the work themselves, Ebie writes: "I think I'm going to join the painter's union and Bruce is eligible for the plumber's or carpenter's."

Their basement is a joy. In it there's a big den or game room, a spanking laundry, a small room with Robert's electric train set up complete with mountains, stations, towns, rivers, bridges and all of the fancied things that an electrically minded dad would think up.

Robert's bedroom sounds awfully interesting too. Ebie drew a plan for it in her letter. The space (4) is a small entry made by a closet (3) that Bruce built in. That made an alcove for the studio couch (1) with book shelves (2) built in at the head and foot. There is a flat-top maple desk (8) with chair (9) in front of the window. The maple dresser (6) and red easy chairs (5 and 7) complete the furnishings. Three walls will be painted ivory, while the alcove wall will have a wall paper with red and green sailboats, green curtains and green rug.

**When Girls Marry Young.**

Several mothers of daughters were discussing the question of whether 'twas best to marry their girls off young or encourage them to wait a while. Said one, "They have a bigger selection when they're young—if they wait, then most of the men their age are already married." Said another, "But yet, when a man is so young, it's hard to tell how he will turn out. If a girl waits, she may not have such a big selection, but she's likely to marry better."

So it looks as if there, as in most other things, it's just as well to let nature take its course. After all, life is a pretty big gamble anyway you take it.

Now here comes Mrs. E. S., who is a brand new bride—young and glowing and gay as a lark. It seems



Solution for a window problem.

as right as rain for her to be married at twenty and all of a flutter over the new home.

She is wrinkling her pretty brow over the decorations of her living room. "I want it different yet practical," said she. "I'd like a barrel chair of gold antique velvet and perhaps an occasional chair in needlepoint. But what about the sofa and an extra chair? I'm also puzzled about rug, wall color, draperies and curtains, lamps, pictures and whatever else you suggest. What style of furniture? There are two windows, one rather long. I don't care for both rather long side draperies, yet want long straight side draperies. I would like the windows to look finished. The room is 12 by 15 feet. I would be so grateful for some help."

Why not arrange a double swag with jabots at the top of the window? Then just use a sheer lace net for curtains to the floor. I'd incline toward Eighteenth century English furniture—then have the walls done in a soft putty tone and get a rug of the same shade in texture weave. The swags for the tops of the windows I'd like to see in turquoise taffeta—then I'd have the needlepoint chair predominantly turquoise in a tone and the extra odd chair in a stripe of turquoise or plum with gold or beige. The sofa I'd have in a fine powdery plum tone—a pair of round end cushions in needlepoint would be nice for this too. . . . beige to turquoise with flecks of gold and plum. Repeat your gold note of the barrel chair in your lamps. Repeat the plum in accessories. Choose two or three good sized substantial pictures rather than many little ones.

By Betty Wells.—WNU Service.

### Style Pendulum Swings to Handsome Ostrich Finery

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



FRILLS, feathers and furbelows mark the lady of fashion today and a lovely lady she is indeed, an alluring creature utterly feminine in her Edwardian grandeur. The long post-war cycle is over and with it has gone the tailored career woman, trim and uncompromising with her boyish figure and her workmanlike clothes. Back into favor come portrait gowns, picturesque dinner costumes topped by whimsical evening hats, nosegays or violets nestling in long fur stoles, opera-length evening gloves and back comes ostrich feathers placing their glamorous seal on the return to femininity which colors the whole current fashion picture.

In the millinery field, ostrich sets the style for the new dress hats with their flattering softness. Long sweeping feathers droop gracefully from worldly dinner hats. Lordly plumes toss above high-piled curls for evening or lend height to tiny formal daytime hats for fur-coat wear. All-ostrich toques and bonnets, without a hint of fabric, are cleverly molded to the head. Not only do ostrich toques go to the head on bonnets, toques and picture hats for formal daytime and dinner wear, but even tailored street hats and ostrich moustures and motifs that are smartly conservative.

Outstanding in the evening wardrobe are the new ostrich wraps which are designed in any number of types and lengths from brief shoulder capelets to full-length coats and capes. They are in black or white or are superbly colorful.

With the present trend to the purely feminine, the ostrich muffs have returned to prominence for both formal daytime and evening wear. Carried with the formal daytime costume the ostrich muffs lend infinite chic but it is of two-fold charm when it complements an evening wrap of matching ostrich as pictured to the left in the illustration. Paquin designs this capelike coat and muffs of black uncurled ostrich. Many smaller round muffs of ostrich are also shown that are youthfully pert and extremely smart for dinner or afternoon wear.

The long, long ostrich stole adopted this season by the duchess of Kent has unlimited possibilities. It may be draped or wound about the shoulders for protection or simply for flattery. It will be especially outstanding in black, black-and-white, pure white or the modish vintage tones. The one shown to the right in the picture is fashioned of long white feathers with black-dyed tips.

This season's interpretation of the ever-graceful ostrich fan is unusually lovely. Festive fans in exciting shades are carried, also very handsome all-black types that set a theater gown or dinner costume off to perfection. The evening fan picture is of graduated uncurled ostrich plumes in pale pink with an uncurled ostrich hair ornament in the new deep plumbeous shade.

The encouraging part of the ostrich vogue is that the new feather fashions start with simple items on the hat and fetching little inexpensive neckpieces and scores of other unpretentious ostrich fancies that are within the reach of any limited clothes budget.

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# WHAT to EAT and WHY

## C. Houston Goudiss Asks How Do You Get Your Vitamin D? Relates Need for and Sources Of This Necessary Vitamin

By C. HOUSTON GOUDISS

THERE is scarcely a mother of a young baby today who has not at one time or another been told to give her child cod-liver oil. Perhaps she does not know this substance must be given to the baby for the vitamin D that it contains. But she has heard that there is something in cod-liver oil which makes it valuable to the baby's health.

A generation ago, cod-liver oil was given to children in the winter time, "to build them up" after colds or various other respiratory illnesses. It was not until 1921, however, that a long series of painstaking investigations, terminating in the discovery of vitamin D, made it clear that cod-liver oil is valuable as a source of vitamin D, and also why this vitamin is essential in the diet of growing children, as well as adults.

**Discovery of Vitamin D**

After years of patient work and many thrilling and dramatic experiments, seven forms of vitamin D have been revealed by science. And scientists have also solved the mystery of how such widely separated factors as cod-liver oil; sunlight; a diet that is rich in, and carefully balanced with calcium and phosphorus; and ultraviolet light, all can perform the same service for the body.

Readers of this column may have observed that the discovery of a number of the vitamins came about chiefly through the efforts of investigators to discover a method of treating or curing obscure nutritional diseases. In most instances, however, carefully controlled laboratory experiments played their part in reaching the ultimate goal after some clue had been found as to what the mysterious substance might be that helped to control a baffling nutritional disease. The discovery of vitamin D was no exception!

**Vitamin D and Rickets**

Vitamin D is associated intimately with the prevention and cure of rickets, the most devastating nutritional disease of children in temperate climates. Indeed, it is the moderate, and in some cases the small amount of sunshine in the temperate zone that accounts partially for the presence of rickets.

Historians have given us reason to believe that this disease may have existed in England even before the Roman conquest. Certainly it appeared in a serious form, both in England and in other North European countries, in the Seventeenth century. In fact, early literature refers to it as the English disease, and the early attempts to fathom its causes were written in Latin by English and Dutch doctors during the 1600's.

In rickets, the child's head grows large and out of proportion to the body, while the leg and arm bones, and in severe cases even the ribs, are bent and twisted out of their normal shape.

**Need for Calcium and Phosphorus**

The two principal minerals required for constructing the bones and teeth are calcium, obtained chiefly from milk, cheese and green leafy vegetables, and phosphorus, found in generous amounts in eggs, whole grain cereals and dried legumes. But one of the things that made it so difficult for scientists to determine the cause of rickets was the fact that apparently well fed children, who had plenty of calcium and phosphorus, frequently developed the disease.

**Mystery of Cod-Liver Oil**

Cod-liver oil had been used for many years because of its supposedly "tonic" or "building" properties, when it was observed that regular doses of cod-liver oil not only cured rickets in children, but also cured the corresponding disease in adults, called osteomalacia, in which the bones become soft as the calcium and phosphorus already deposited in them are withdrawn and excreted.

**Fat and Vitamin D**

One of the strangest paradoxes to the scientists in their early investigations was the fact that while cod-liver oil appeared to cure rickets, another substance high in fat—butter fat, did not. More research work was necessary before it was discovered that while butter was rich in vitamin A, cod-liver oil contained two vitamins, one of which was later named vitamin D.

**Effect of Sunlight**

More work was necessary and it took years of patient effort before science unraveled the mystery of how sunlight could have the same apparent effect in preventing rickets as cod-liver oil.

Once nutritionists understood how sunlight acting on a fatty substance in the skin could produce vitamin D, however, it was not difficult to carry the process a step further and learn how to fortify foods with a satisfactory content of vitamin D.

Today we have at our disposal irradiated milk, or milk to which a vitamin D concentrate has been added. Margarine, too, has been enriched not only with vitamin D, but with vitamin A so that this moderate-priced spread for bread has been made an effective vitamin carrier.

**Natural Food Sources of Vitamin D**

The richest natural sources of vitamin D are the fish-liver oils, including the liver-oil of the tuna, swordfish, rock fish, salmon, halibut, mackerel, cod and haddock. The body oils of many fish also furnish substantial amounts. That accounts for the fact that canned salmon has been regarded as such a splendid food in the diet of children and adults. It is not only a good source of protein and of energy values, but it contains substantial amounts of the minerals, calcium, phosphorus and iodine, and has been found to be an unusually good food source of vitamin D.

Egg yolk contains small amounts of vitamin D, and when eaten regularly, the quantity is enough to have a significant effect in the diet of children.

**Vitamin D Requirements**

So important is vitamin D considered, that the United States Children's Bureau advises that cod-liver oil or some other form of this vitamin be supplied to all babies, beginning at the age of two or three weeks.

Mothers should be guided by the advice of their physician in determining when to start the use of a vitamin D preparation and what

quantities to give. But if they want to give their babies the blessing bestowed on them by the scientists who discovered vitamin D, they must not overlook this important substance.

As guardians of the health of both children and adults, mothers should see to it that vitamin D is supplied regularly through the use of eggs and salmon; irradiated foods and those fortified with vitamin D; and if necessary, fish-liver oils or concentrates.

### Questions Answered

**Miss G. M. L.**—Yes, it is true that sweet potatoes contain a small amount of protein. In fact, their protein is composed of four amino acids known to be essential to nutrition. Some of the protein may be lost if the potato is boiled, but it is entirely preserved when the potato is cooked by dry heat.

**Mrs. M. B.**—Both cooked lentils and baked kidney beans contain over 20 per cent of carbohydrate. Low carbohydrate vegetables include cabbage, celery, cauliflower, kale, lettuce and spinach.

### HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONS

**Keep Baking Oven Clean.**—Many a cake is spoiled by burning fragments left in the oven. Rub the inside of the oven frequently with coarse emery paper. This will remove rust and keep the oven in good condition.

**To Judge Grapefruit.**—Notice its firmness, weight, and shape as well as the thickness of the skin. Good quality fruit is firm yet springy to the touch. It is well shaped, thin skinned and heavy for its size.

**For Creaking Shoes.**—Rub the sole of a creaking shoe with a flannel dipped in boiled linseed oil.

**Improving Mince Pies.**—Run your mince meat through the mincing machine before putting it into pastry. It makes it much more easy to digest than if the currants, etc., are left whole. Remember that mince pies should be served very hot.

**Removing Indelible Ink Marks.**—Equal parts of turpentine and ammonia will remove indelible ink marks from white fabrics when everything else fails.

**When Fruit Cake Becomes Dry.**—Fruit cake that has become dry may be moistened by saturating a clean cloth with spiced fruit juice, wrapping the cake in the cloth and returning it to its airtight container for a day or two.

## Dressy Midwinter Fashions

HAVE something brand new and smart, to cheer you up during the after-holiday time when you feel a little let-down. Here are two of the very smartest things you can wear, both just as pretty and new as they can be! And they're so easy to make that you'll enjoy doing it, and of course you'll save, decidedly, by choosing your own fabrics. Each pattern is accompanied by a detailed sew chart.

**Soft Afternoon Dress.**

This is a lovely design, very smart and new. It does very nice things to your figure. The wide girle makes you look doll-like, the gathered bodice fills out your bustline, and the full skirt is extremely graceful. The high neckline is scalloped to make it softer and more becoming. In velvet, silk crepe, satin, or thin wool, this will be one of the prettiest afternoon dresses you ever owned!

**Suspender Skirt With Jacket.**

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### Forecast in Silk



A gorgeous blouse in your wardrobe is a necessary luxury this season. It's left to you either to buy 'em or make 'em. The shops are showing the new glamor blouse in dazzling array. Likewise the fabric sections are scintillating with showings of gleaming lame in gold, silver and color, also rustling taffetas and crisp moires and lustrous slipper satins. A mere remnant of either in the hands of the woman who "makes her own" will transform into a blouse softly styled or smartly fashioned in the new jacket silhouette.

**Gold Glittering On Winter Frocks**

All may not be gold that glitters, but in the multitude of short lame afternoon dresses gold is the favored basic metal. The gold may be nothing more than a pin-stripe on a black wool or silk background; it may be combined with other less precious metal threads; or it may completely prevail to form a lavish cloth-of-gold.

This all-gold lame makes a striking "don't-dress-for-dinner" gown—so short it almost reaches knee level—and long-sleeved.

### Grand Blouses of Metal Top Skirts

Does your fancy run to black furs? You might have Persian lamb, black caracul, black kidskin, Alaska seal, silver fox, American broadtail or skunk.

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### Stranger In Town

By Sarah Jane Clark



For 28 years James F. Martin was postmaster at Santa Claus, taking it easy each summer and working like a fiend during the Christmas rush. Finally the pressure grew so great that his office was rated as a third-class post office, a ranking usually enjoyed only by much larger communities. Above is the Santa Claus post office and general store.

Jim saw Joan first as she stopped in at Du Vall's grocery. "Mother wants a T-bone steak, the kind she always gets, and a pound of bacon." Her voice was that delightfully husky kind. Jim, having finished his purchase, got out his money slowly, counted up the amount of his purchases and looked over his change carefully before he pocketed it. She looked like a grand girl. He wished he knew her. But he was a stranger in the big city, and he'd have to wait. Couldn't rush things with a girl like that. And perhaps she had a boy friend already. Unconsciously he slowed down at the corner of his apartment building. Stupid, to have to eat all alone, the night before Christmas.

Jim turned to look back at the store he had just left, and found that the girl had overtaken him. "Hello, there, you going my way?" he asked. "I'm a stranger here, and it's mighty lonesome at Christmas—" But the girl, with a cool, "Excuse me, please," hurried on. Jim's cheeks burned. He hadn't meant to be fresh, really. He turned the corner and entered the doorway of his apartment. Then he saw the girl the third time. She was just opening the door and going up the stairs. She lived in the same building with him! He ate his solitary supper in his one-room kitchenette apartment. Then, what was there to do? His first Christmas away from home. His job here was so new that he hadn't dared to ask for time off to go home. Well, he supposed he could go to a show. But when Jim got out onto Delaware Place he almost changed his mind. A snow had begun to fall, a heavy leisurely snow with big flakes

ing into people this way? It's just my luck, Christmas eve, to have my bundles all scattered, and," a little ruefully, "some of them broken." "Say, that's a shame. You must let me replace anything that's broken," Jim insisted. "Really I'm awfully sorry about this. I was facing the snow and had my head down. I'll never forgive myself if you don't let me do this last minute shopping with you. I am Jim Sheridan, from Dubuque, working for the Times." "Well, I'm Joan Siegfred. I've been feeling sorry for the way I squeaked you a while ago. So I'm glad of a chance to say so." Her eyes were bright and sparkling and her cheeks glowing from the cold. Walking down the busy streets with a pretty girl, replacing Christmas decorations that had been smashed in the fall, and being allowed to help put them on the tree later, was a lot better than going to a picture show alone. And when Joan's cheerful, friendly mother asked the homesick lad to have dinner with them next day, Jim felt that he was no longer a friendless stranger in a big city, and that Christmas was a time of peace and good will, after all.

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**Christmas on the Highway**  
CHICAGO.—With traffic increased by the Christmas rush, more American lives were lost in automobile accidents during the month of December, 1936, than in the Revolutionary war. But last December, in a campaign led by the National Safety council, the toll was reduced by 400 lives. But still 3,890 people were killed that month. Pedestrians and motorists alike were responsible for this "field day" of the Grim Reaper. People are often less cautious during the holiday season.



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that made a thick carpet on the streets and sidewalks, already icy from the drizzle of the afternoon. He hesitated a minute about starting out on such a night, then thinking of the lonely room he had just quitted, he shrugged his shoulders and started up the street. With his head down he trudged through the snow, plowing his way with difficulty against the strong wind. Too late he saw a dark figure directly in front of him. There was a bump, and a crash as an armful of packages landed on the sidewalk. Startled, Jim looked into the face of the girl he was thinking about. His face red with embarrassment, Jim picked up her bundles. Strange to say, the girl laughed amusedly. "Why go around barg-



As he should be, the real Santa Claus is the patron saint of this little Indiana community. This 25-foot statue of St. Nicholas stands all year in a little park, attracting visitors from all parts of the country. Yes, Santa Claus does have a post office!

### David, the Shepherd

By Molly Chittick

"YOU can't go out to tend the sheep tonight, Judah," David heard the choke in his mother's voice. "The lion's claws have wounded you sore. I will find someone to send out with them."

"He is hot, so hot," she whispered to David after his father had fallen into a troubled sleep. "It will make him sick unto death if he goes out on the plain."

"Fear not, mother. I will go. Now that I am fourteen, I can prove myself a man. I will go, like my great forefather, David the king."

Rebecca bade him good-bye tenderly. "Had I a son older, I should send him. But you are all I have. Take care. The lion may return."

So David drove his father's flock out onto the plain where the shep-



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herds watched their flocks by night. The cool breeze from off the mountains made him draw his cloak close.

Suddenly over the hill before him he saw a group of men approaching. That was a surprising thing, to see men wandering about at night. But there was nothing alarming in their action. They seemed filled with excitement and joy.

Now one of them called: "Who is this, guarding his sheep here? Oh,

is it you, David, son of Judah? Come with us. We have seen you star, brighter than any star of the morning. It is moving, and we are following it."

David was on his feet, listening with boyish excitement to their tale of the words they had heard from the heavens, as an angelic host praised Jehovah. His heart burned within him, and he was eager to accompany the band of shepherds. Then he heard one of the young lambs: "Ma-aa-aa." The answering bleat came from a distance. The mother had wandered off in search of tender morsels. David heard again his mother's warning.

"I have come to guard my father's flock. I cannot go with you." "We left our sheep, David. This is the king we are about to see. We must go. You are a fool to stay here with these few sheep, when the king is to be seen."

"I came here to tend this flock. It is not mine, but it is my task," was his only reply.

When they saw that he would not accompany them, they made haste to be on their way. At first his excitement over the tale the shepherds had told him kept him awake. But gradually his eyes grew heavy. He was almost asleep when he heard the "Ma-aa-aa." of a young lamb again. He jumped to his feet, conscious that he had forgotten to hunt up that wandering mother. With staff in hand, and his sling ready to use, he listened intently for a moment. Then he saw the sheep, standing some distance from the others, its head raised listening to something he could not hear. But David knew what there was to be found there. With the starlight shining full upon it, crouched a lion ready to spring.

Swift as the David of old, the lad swung his sling, and the stone went straight into the head of the crouching animal. With a slow yielding of its body the lion fell in death.

"I am glad, my son, that you were so faithful," his mother praised him in the morning. "Your father was beside himself, wild with his illness, and had I not been able to tell him you were with the flocks



Rodanthe children believe in "Old Buck," an ogre with horns and horns who comes at Old Christmas to punish the naughty boys and girls. Just as St. Nicholas rewards the good youngsters. None of the islanders remember how "Old Buck" originated, but he's definitely a part of the celebration.

he would have gone out, sick as he was. And now you have slain a lion. Your fame will go before you."

"But mother, I did not see the king," and David's voice trembled.

"Do you not think the king would have scorned a lad who would desert his post of duty from idle curiosity? Nay, my son, you have done your task faithfully and well, and proved yourself a man. Later you may see the king."

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### \$500,000 EXTRAVAGANZA

A musical extravaganza with a cast of 1,000, costing at least \$500,000 to produce, is to be put on by Billy Rose at the New York World's Fair 1939. It is to have a modern American theme, with songs, dances, dialogue, tableaux and large choruses of pretty girls, and it will be produced in the 10,000-seat Fountain Lake Amphitheatre, which has an island stage.

### MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR

We take this opportunity to thank you for your patronage and to wish for you a very Merry Christmas. May the New Year be one of happiness and good cheer to all of you.

### MASEY & SONS

Roaring Springs

C. B. Masey

Owner



The Carolers are Singing It;  
The Joyous Bells Are Ringing It;  
This Firm Is Bringing It - - -

### "Merry Christmas"



### Peace On Earth

Long ago the angels sang "Peace on earth, good will to men" and we should echo and re-echo this song throughout all the world. What a different world it would be if each heart were filled with peace and goodwill.

We wish then for you and yours the desire of the Creator Himself as heralded by the angels so long ago.

### PEACE AND GOOD WILL

NO. 1—MATADOR

R. E. Campbell, Mgr. Charlie Meador

Dee Cates

### Campbell's Food Market

ONE PRICE—THE LOWEST  
NO. 2—ROARING SPRINGS

L. Miller, Mgr.

Poyner Roberts



### Greetings...

TO OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS



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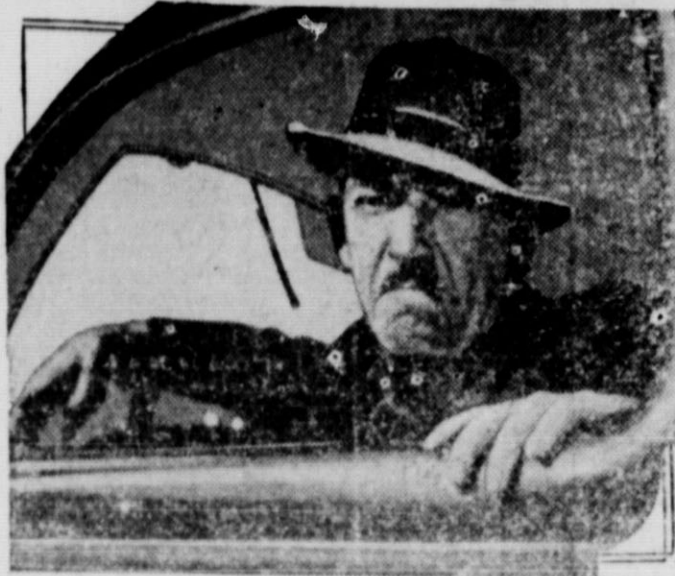
### SOUTHWESTERN ASSOCIATED TELEPHONE COMPANY



Matador, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
We are three little children, who live in apartments at Mrs. Oma Walker's about 2 1-2 miles east of town.  
I, Charles, am 6 years old. I want a car that I can ride in, a train that runs on a track, a Mickey Mouse circus and a football and some boxing gloves.  
I, Nancy, am 5 years old. I want a Shirley Temple doll, a little rubber doll with a bottle, a little table and some chairs, some dishes with silverware to go on my table, some cooking utensils and a doll buggy.  
I, Joyce Evelyn, want a doll that will go to sleep, a big tricycle and some tea-dishes. I am 5 years old.  
We have all tried to be good children. Please don't forget to

bring something for our little puppy and 2 kittens.  
Bring something nice for our mothers and daddys and please don't forget Mrs. Walker.  
We love you very much  
Charles Alvin Traube  
Nancy Rebecca Trauber  
Joyce Evelyn Smallwood  
Flomot, Texas  
December 17, 1938  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl 3 years old. I am a good little girl, so I want you to bring me a big doll and an iron.  
Santa don't forget to bring grandma and grandpa something. I also have a little friend, Joe Edd McAlister, who wants a car, so don't forget him.  
Thanks,  
Lola Kay Pounds

### Open Letter to a Speeder



Travelers Safety Service

I SAW YOU barely miss a little boy on a tricycle this afternoon and heard you yell, "Get the H— out of the way! Don't you know any better than to ride in the street?" He didn't answer because he hasn't learned to talk very well yet. So I'm going to answer for him.

No, the little boy doesn't know any better than to ride his tricycle in the street. He has been warned not to, but little boys don't always heed warnings. Some adults don't either, especially traffic warnings; for example, the one limiting the speed of automobiles.

I'm going to tell you something about that little boy. He has a mother who endured considerable inconvenience, anxiety and suffering to bring him into the world. He has a father who has worked hard and made many sacrifices to make him healthy and happy. The supreme purpose of their lives is to have their little boy grow up to be a useful man.

Now stop a minute and think. If you should kill a child, how would you feel facing its parents? What excuse could you possibly offer Him whose Kingdom is made up of little children?

Children, my hasty friend, were here long before you or your automobile were thought of. All the automobiles on earth are not worth the life of one little boy. We don't know what that little boy may some day be. But we know what you are, and it's unimportant. We could get along without you, but we can't spare a single little boy on the street.

### A YULE STORY

queer little man inside the counter waited while Dan weighed the important question. The hamburger won. While it was being cooked to order, Dan dug into his pocket and took the dime from the battered purse.

Hungry as he was, he handed it over before attacking the food. His voice was a bit apologetic. "It's an old timer," he said; "been in my pocket for years and years."

The old man didn't seem to be listening. He was peering through his spectacles at the coin.

"You're sure you're telling the truth about this dime?" he queried.

"The absolute truth," Dan answered. "But, if you won't believe me, you can have your coffee and hamburger."

A shrill laugh ran through the place. "It's a good thing you ran across someone who knew, and better, somebody who was honest," the little man was saying excitedly. "Do you know that you have one of the rarest dimes at large? It's—it's worth thousands."

"You mean, this thing I've held on to for years is worth money?"

"It's worth big money," the cafe owner was waving his hands in the air, the dime clasped between his thumb and first finger. "I've been looking for one of them all my life!"

"Hand me that menu!" Dan Driscoll cried commandingly. "I'm going to have a Christmas dinner right now. I'm going clear down the line, from soup to mince pie."

### Hawaii Yule Greetings

#### Broadcast to Islands In Pacific Territory

HONOLULU.—For the past three years Hawaii has broadcast Christmas greetings on December 24 to several lonely islands which have become potentially important along aviation's equatorial Pacific area. The messages, from station KGU, go out to the dozen or so young Americans who for three years have been keeping the Stars and Stripes flying on Howland, Baker, Jarvis and other tiny Pacific islands.

### His Last Dime

By Katherine Edelman

DAN DRISCOLL was broke. Well, almost broke. He had one thin dime, hiding in the dark depths of a purse that had once held bills of three figures.

He had held it for 20 years, ever since he had found it while ploughing on his father's farm. His lucky dime—that's what he had called it. Dan laughed grimly at the thought. Lucky! Had anyone ever been so unlucky as him? Here was the whole town preparing for Christmas, shopping, spending oodles of money, and he was a penniless, weary wanderer. A lucky dime!

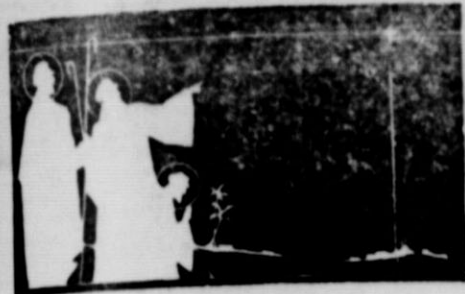
A little place around the corner caught his eye. Dan entered, his nostrils quivering under the tantalizing odors. He looked around with greedy eyes, his mouth watering with longing. Soup, roast fowl, potatoes, luscious mince pie! But he mustn't think about such things. He had just one dime—the price of a cup of coffee and a doughnut, or a hamburger. Which would it be? The

### American Turkey Has Foreign Name

You'll eat your turkey and like it this Christmas, but do you know where this festive bird got its name? The turkey is the only species of poultry native to this country. Its name is attributed by some to its call notes, "turk-turk-turk"; others believe that its head ornaments, resembling the fez worn by natives of Turkey, gave rise to its name.

Another explanation is seen in the fact that the first turkeys from America were sold in Spain, largely by Hebrew merchants. Since the bird was frequently confused with the peacock, it is said that the Hebrew traders called it "tukki," their name for the peacock. With the widespread use of this name in English, it easily became the present "turkey."

GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY



YOUR Regard has made this a Merry Christmas for us . . . May we extend the wish that yours will be gladdened a little by our appreciation and good wishes.

**JAMESON & SON**  
GROCERY

ROUNDHOUSE AT N. Y. FAIR  
That familiar and homely landmark of the railroad industry, the roundhouse, is to be simulated in the Railroad Transportation Building which 26 eastern lines are erecting at the New York World's Fair 1939. The nine entrances are to be similar to those a roundhouse provides for locomotives.



## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS...

At this cordial season of the year, we like to feel that each of you is one of our loyal friends and that our success, whatever it may be, is just a reflection of yours. You, the people of this community have been very liberal with your patronage, and we are grateful. We trust that these associations have been as pleasant to you as they have been to us.

So we wish you all the joys of the season and sincerely hope that the coming months will bring you a large share of prosperity and happiness.

### APPRECIATION . . .

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for the efforts of those who so willingly aided in fighting the recent fire in our plant, and to especially thank the Matador Fire Department.

To our customers we regret that we will be unable to serve you further this season, but we will have our plant re-built and equipment re-placed with which to accommodate you when another cotton crop is ready to gin. We sincerely appreciate your patronage.

**RED BALL GIN**  
ROARING SPRINGS

E. Dobkins, Owner

Glenn Dobkins, Mgr.



## A Merry Christmas AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

To you we bring the age-old Christmas greetings, assuring you that many of us will be on the job Christmas Eve, Christmas Night and Christmas Day so that you may have continuous light and power. Regardless of holidays, night or day, rain or shine, we strive to make your Electric Service as nearly perfect and continuous as possible.

(A) Contributing a payroll of \$1,200,000 to our employee-citizens in West Texas; (B) helping you to shoulder the tax burdens rapidly increasing until now Your Electric Servant's annual tax contribution approximating one-half million dollars; and (C) all with net average electric rates ONE-THIRD LOWER than just ten years ago. . . .

These are (A, B and C) things we believe you want to know about your own West Texas electric servant—performing material things that will help to make 1939 a friendly, prosperous year for us all.

**West Texas Utilities Company**





**Gin Destroyed . . .**

(Continued From Page One)  
 Department for their efforts during the fire. We are grateful to everyone who aided. We will have the plant rebuilt in time to start the ginning season next year and be able to serve our customers with new equipment.  
 "At first I estimated our loss in the neighborhood of \$5,000 but after the first survey, I raised the estimate to \$7,000 or \$8,000 and now after further investigation, I believe it will probably be \$10,000."  
 The loss was partly covered by insurance, Mr. Dobkins said

**Five Are Hurt . . .**

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 is obstructed by the Warren Clements home, and also to the fact that traffic is very light on both of the streets. Mr. and Mrs. Was-

**M. L. SOLOMON  
 JEWELER  
 FLOYDADA, TEXAS**

son, driving west, had started home for their noon-day meal when their car was struck directly in the center by the other car which was being driven south. Both cars are said to have been traveling at a moderate rate of speed. Mr. Stafford is declared to have said that he did not see the other car until it was directly in his path and only a few feet away. Mr. Wasson's car was badly wrecked and Mr. Stafford's car was also damaged to a considerable extent.

**Death Claims . . .**

(Continued From Page 1)  
 union, were born six children, two of whom survive. She was preceded in death by Mr. Cooper, who passed away in May of this year. Mr. and Mrs. Cooper had made their home in Motley county for the past 35 years, having moved to Flomot in 1903, from Wise county.  
 She leaves to mourn her passing, many relatives and friends. She was loved and respected by all who knew her, and was "Grandma" Cooper to most of her acquaintances.  
 In addition to her two daughters Mrs. M. M. Barton of Clarendon, and Mrs. Rosie Yearwood, Plainview, she is also survived by 25

grandchildren, 87 great-grandchildren and 8 great-great-grandchildren.

**Attend Funeral**

Mrs. E. W. McKenzie and Mrs. A. A. Tipton of Matador, were among out-of-town friends who attended funeral services for Mrs. Cooper.

**NORTHFIELD YOUTH  
 SHOT BY INTRUDER**

Billy Cook, 16-year-old Northfield youth, feels lucky today that he is alive.

Cook lives with his parents in a small house about 100 yards from his uncle's residence in the Northfield community. He and his family were at his uncle's house last night attending a religious service, but he developed a headache and decided to go to his house and go to bed.

As he opened the door to his house, a gun was thrust at his chest and fired. The small calibre bullet struck a rib directly under his heart and glanced sidewise, merely inflicting a flesh wound. His skin was severely powder burned as the gun was fired at him from close range.

Billy said he wheeled and ran immediately after the shot was

**:: LOCALS ::**

Mr. and Mrs. Joe S. Ellis and baby girl of Eunice, New Mexico, arrived here early Wednesday morning to spend Christmas holidays with Mrs. Ellis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Williams. They were accompanied by Mrs. Lewis Williams and small son, also of Eunice.  
**LOST**—Brown Mackinaw jacket with zipper. Return to Tribune. Miss Zona Beth Faulkner, home economics teacher, left Wednesday afternoon for her home at Childress, to spend the holidays.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Harry Willett made a trip to Lubbock Tuesday.

Mrs. V. S. Hartwell of Pampa, will arrive here on the 26th, for a visit in the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. R. Bishop and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harris visited with relatives in Kirkland Sunday.

fired and did not see his assailant. Cottle county officers believe the intruder was a burglar who entered the house to steal meat, which had been placed in the house a few days previously.

Young Cook came to Childress for medical attention but his injuries are not believed serious.  
 —Childress Index.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Vinson and son Furman, of Lubbock, formerly of Matador, visited here Wednesday a short while before continuing to Flomot, where they will spend the holidays.

**FOR SALE**—Rhode Island Red Cockerels, \$1.50. Good stock. O. I. C. Pigs from registered stock. Call or write, N. C. Purcell, Floydada, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Patton expect to leave tomorrow for Wichita Falls to spend the Christmas holidays with their son and family Mr. and Mrs. Houston Patton.

**FOUND**—Office and V-8 Key. Owner may have same by paying for this ad.

A. J. Tardy of Big Spring visited here this week in the home of his son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Tardy.

**Test your skill at the Shooting Gallery across the street from Texan Cafe.**

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Bishop made a business trip to Dallas the first of the week.

Mesdames Alvin Stearns and G. S. Craven were Lubbock visitors Monday.  
 Holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Lambert are their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Tex Litteral of McNary, Texas, who were joined here by their daughter and husband, Mr.

and Mrs. Dick Wright of Mangum Oklahoma. They will also visit in the Henry Ford home while here.  
 Rev. and Mrs. D. D. Denison and son Jameg Diekey of Albany, recently of Matador, and Rev. and Mrs. Frank Beauchamp and children of McAdoo, were visitors here a short while Monday afternoon.

F. M. Casey of Whiteflat was transacting business in Matador Wednesday afternoon.

**HOSPITAL NOTES**

Chonline King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred King of Roaring Springs was released from the Traweek Hospital Monday following an appendicitomy operation.

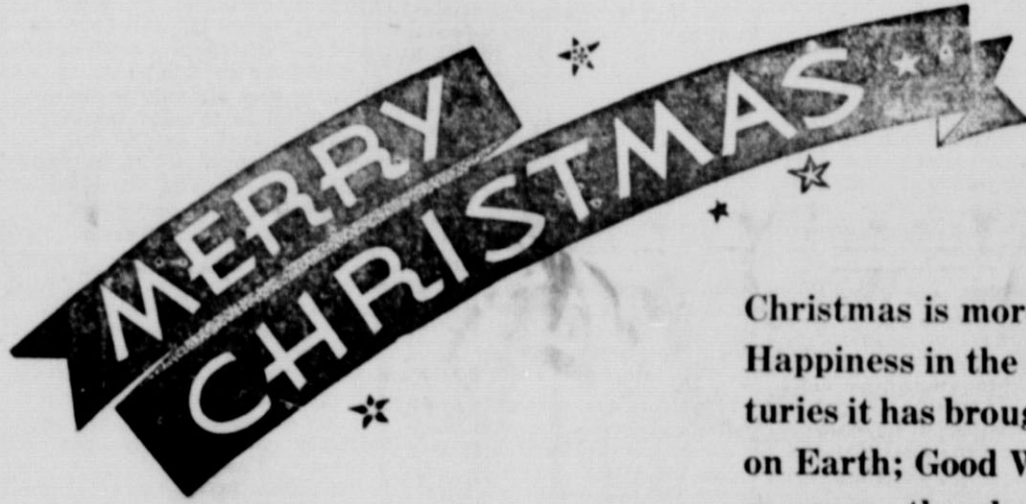
The son of Mr. and Mrs. William Welch of Flomot was released from the hospital Tuesday following a tonsil operation.

**ERRATUM**

The Tribune wishes to correct an error appearing in last week's issue which declared Kenneth Simpson had been crowned king at the football-pep squad banquet held Friday night December 9.  
 E. A. Day was escort to the football queen, Jewel McCoy, according to corrected information, but was not crowned king as the news article erroneously credited Kenneth Simpson.



**WE WISH EVERYONE A . . .**



Christmas is more than a Holiday — it is a Heritage of Happiness in the hearts of men. Down through the centuries it has brought the beautiful benediction of "Peace on Earth; Good Will to Men." And each year it brings us anew the pleasure of wishing you with our whole heart, "A Merry Christmas and Abiding Happiness Throughout the New Year".

<p>To Wish You Good Cheer                  At Christmas  <b>ROSIE'S COFFEE SHOP</b>                  Rosie Stafford, Mgr.</p>	<p>To All Friends and Patrons                  We Wish A Merry Xmas                  And Happy New Year  <b>EDD'S GROCERY</b></p>	<p>We Wish You Happiness                  At This Joyous Season  <b>DR. E. B. JONES</b>                  Dentist</p>	<p>Christmas Greetings To All                  Our Friends And Patrons  <b>MOTLEY HOTEL</b>                  Mrs. Margaret Newman, Mgr.</p>
<p>We Thank You For Your                  Patronage During The                  Past Year . . .  <b>PHILLIPS "66"</b>                  S. J. White, Agent</p>	<p>May Your Christmas Be Merry                  And The New Year A Happy One  <b>R. A. (Dick) SEAY</b>                  County and District Clerk-Elect</p>	<p>A Merry Christmas                  From Us To You  <b>SANITARY BARBER SHOP</b></p>	<p>A Warm And Hearty Wish                  For A Christmas Of Cheer  <b>HOWARD EDMONDSON</b>                  City Secretary</p>
<p>Best Wishes for the Holiday                  Season;                  And Gratitude for your Many                  Courtesies.  <b>W. R. CAMMACK</b>                  County Judge</p>	<p>We Wish You And Yours                  A Merry Christmas  <b>CITY BARBER SHOP</b></p>	<p>Heartiest Greetings and Wishes                  For A Prosperous New Year  <b>MATADOR PRODUCE</b>                  W. B. Wason, Mgr.</p>	<p>My Sincere Greetings                  For A                  Merry Christmas  <b>HOWARD TRAWEEK</b>                  County Attorney</p>





GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY

# Christmas



## GREETINGS

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### Southwestern Sewer Co.

"Guardian of Community Health"

# In The WEEK'S NEWS



**AMBASSADORS CONFER WITH PRESIDENT**—William Phillips (left) Ambassador to Italy and Hugh Wilson (right), Ambassador to Germany as they conferred with President Franklin D. Roosevelt at Warm Springs on the persecution of minority groups in Germany and Italy.



**HAILS INCOME PLAN**—Lloyd A. Kurtz of Hilliards Grocery, Flint, Michigan, tells Miles Hudson, General Motors employee for 18 years, that he likes the stabilized income plan recently announced by the company for all hourly wage employees because it also helps to stabilize the income of the merchant. Employees in 38 communities are affected.



**GOVERNOR ROUGHS IT**—Governor Gordon Browning of Tennessee did not buy a deer during the annual hunt in the Pisgah Forest, but he could and did make coffee for his party. Here he samples a cup of the steaming brew.



**PREPARING TO DRILL** a seismicographic shot hole into the floor of the ocean during the search for likely oil-bearing formations which The Atlantic Refining Company is conducting in the tidal waters of Texas and Louisiana. Portable drilling rigs and seismic recording devices are being used.



**A SENATOR FOR SIX WEEKS**—Senator Gladys Pyle, of South Dakota, elected to fill the unexpired term of the late Peter Norbeck, offers her name to the deer of her Senate office. The term expires in six weeks and she will return to her home with the deer.



**ORIGINATED HISTORIC ALL AMERICA**—Walter Camp, shown as he looked when he started for Yale in 1874. He started annual All America football selections in Collier's Weekly in 1889. The 1938 team will be announced in the issue on the 49th anniversary.

Thirty million frankfurters and hamburgers will be eaten next year at the New York World's Fair 1939. If strung into a rope, they would reach across the Atlantic from New York to London. The meat in them would fill 187 refrigerated freight cars.

### COWBOYS OF OPEN RANGES WILL CHECK PISTOLS FOR BIG DANCE

**ANSON**—For three nights, Dec. 21, 22, and 23, the cowboys of the open ranges nearby will check their pistols for the one time in the year when they attend the annual Cowboy's Christmas ball here.

The jingle of spurs, staccato stamp of cowboy boots and the swish of flowing skirts, reminiscent of the West in the 80's will harmonize to the strains of the bass viol in the square dances such as were danced at the first cowboys ball in the old Star Hotel here and immortalized in Larry Chittenden's "The Cowboys' Christmas Ball."

Men and ladies will be attired in fashions of bygone days, music same as the original and the dances—Virginia reel, heel and toe, polka, schottische, and the square—will be danced with the informality of the first ball.

Visitors may re-live Chittenden's emotions when he wrote:

"Don't tell me 'bout cottillions, or Germans. No sirree."

That whirl at Anson city just takes the cake with me.

Give me a frontier break-down, backed up by Windy Bill."

The ball has attracted nationwide attention. A group of 30 Anson people have given the old time dances at Dallas Centennial, the Chicago Folk Festival, and at Washington this year where they were given a picnic by Texas Congressmen and Senators and stopped traffic for blocks when they were joined by the Congressmen and Senators in a square dance. Later, with whoops and yells they stampeded crowds with a dance on the Capitol lawn.

The ball of today is authentic old time western cowboy dancing such as the cowboys enjoyed once a year in early day Anson.

Two hundred aristocratic milk cows are to be bathed, dried and milked during every twenty-four hours for all to see in one of the exhibits at the New York World's Fair 1939. Ten at a time are to parade from their adjacent barns to a huge revolving platform and there yield their milk, which will be immediately chilled, pasteurized and bottled, ready for the customer an hour after bossy has relinquished it.

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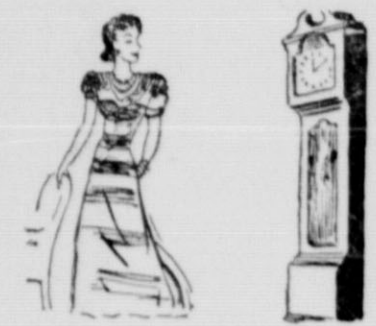
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Modern Clocks Both Practical And Handsome

By BETTY WELLS
IT'S time we took a little time to think about time. About clocks, to get right down to brass tacks.



Now you can get reproductions of handsome old grandfather clocks.

ly. They'll answer right back and say we don't buy nicer clocks so it's our fault after all. Mebbe so.

I've been digging around trying to find out just what types of good looking clocks there are available—clocks worthy of being a decorative focal point in a room.

The most interesting modern clocks I've found are the grandfather clocks for halls—copies of fine old ones.

The smaller clocks that I've seen and liked included one in an antique silver finish and in oblong shape.

A smaller jaunty clock is a new sort for a desk. It must have been inspired by old time paper weights.

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Horn Tooters Cheered—In Bronx Style



David Wilson, Santa Monica, Calif., true friend of the indignant motorist, recently patented a device which will express his contempt of the motorist who persists in blowing his horn at every available opportunity.

LITTLE STORIES FOR BEDTIME

by Thornton W. Burgess

A funny thing it is to see How those who bravely fight So bashful and so timid grow Within a lady's sight.

THERE was Danny Meadow Mouse. He hadn't been the least bit afraid when he met the fat, important looking stranger in front of the house of little Miss Nanny Meadow Mouse.

He felt very good, very good indeed, did Danny. He had won a great fight, and he felt sure that little Miss Nanny had seen him win it.



Danny had chased him until he was sure that the stranger never, never would come back.

Then Danny had brushed the dirt from his coat, washed his face and hands, and had started back for the house of little Miss Nanny to make the call he had intended to make before he met the stranger.

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An employee of a large map maker's establishment in Berlin works out the boundaries of the new Germany and Czechoslovakia as a result of the Munich agreement.

POTPOURRI

More Women in World
In spite of the fact that every year 107 males are born for every 100 females, there are more women in the world than men.

College Youths Pool Resources In Ship Venture

Collegians Buy 150 Foot Diesel Powered Ship for Coastwise Traffic.

BOSTON.—Three youthful collegians have turned back the "recession" this year—and have gone down to the sea in a ship. Actually the trio were aided by four others, but the originators of a plan to revive an abandoned, 90-year-old coastwise shipping line were three New England boys, the eldest a 1936 graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The leader of the bold pioneers was John C. Stapler, a graduate of Tech's ship operation course and employee of a New York steamship line. With him were Alden H. Anderson, a classmate and employee of a Boston ship agency, and Frederick E. Drake Jr., who left Bowdoin college to ship around the world as an assistant purser.

Early in 1935 the Eastern Steamship lines suspended operation of their Bangor-Boston line and, despite protests of a few shippers, tied up several old hulks and announced they never would run again.

But Stapler had other ideas. He called a score of meetings with Anderson and Drake where they pored over maps and charts, figured gross tonnage and discussed maritime labor problems.

The upshot was that all three threw up their jobs and gallantly dumped their savings into a common pile, but it was scarcely sufficient to meet their personal needs.

So with an inspired sales talk on their tongues and an armful of papers showing the advantage of a Diesel-powered ship for coastwise use, the frantic financiers sold stock to their friends—to business men or anyone who would buy.

They sold stock and bought the 150-foot Diesel-powered ship Penobscot. They sold stock and bought paint. They sold more stock and hired a crew.

Last spring they announced a shipping schedule, loaded the vessel with 38 tons of cargo and nosed out of the island-dotted harbor for points "down East."

Off Rockland the engines broke down and the good ship Penobscot hobbled into port, unable to proceed for many days and with the cargo still undelivered.

By hiring trucks the young owners delivered the cargo on schedule and repaired the motors, but their bank account was woefully depleted.

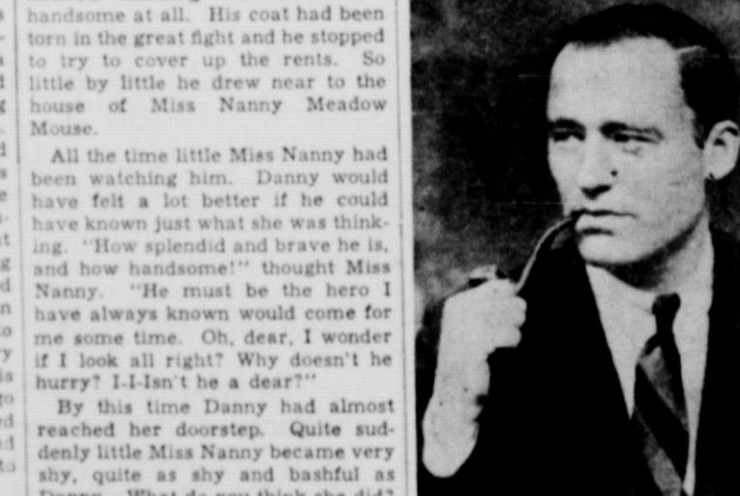
However, at Bangor the shippers were delighted at the resourceful skippers who delivered the goods on time and despite the accident were ready to ship again.

That was the beginning of success. Since then the ship has increased tonnage on each trip. The engines have held together and there has been no labor trouble.

Incidentally, with less than a year's experience, the youths are planning an expansion program that will take their ship farther north along the coast to get cargo from the fish canneries.

"But," Stapler says, "that's another story."

GOVERNOR VANDERBILT



He may be Gov. William H. Vanderbilt to the social register, but he is just plain "Bill" to a host of friends. This socially prominent young resident of Newport was elected governor of Rhode Island, carrying with him a slate of state officers. He is a son of Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt, who lost his life when the Lusitania went down off the coast of Ireland in 1915.

New Dresses for Holidays



THESE two designs bring you brand new fashions for mid-season dresses you'll thoroughly enjoy wearing to all the luncheons and festive afternoons of the holidays.

Medallions of snowflake daintiness—an inexpensive luxury. Crochet them one by one, and join them to form a stunning cloth, spread, pillow, or scarf. Inexpensive in string or finer cotton. Pattern 6077 contains instructions for making the medallions; an illustration of them and of stitches; photograph of the medallions; materials needed.



To obtain this pattern, send 15 cents in coins to The Sewing Circle, Household Arts Dept., 259 W. 14th Street, New York, N. Y.

Girdle-and-Panel-in-One Dress. Of course that midriff section isn't really a girdle—it just looks like one, and the way it is extended into the front skirt panel simply makes the pounds melt from your appearance. This is a beautifully slenderizing dress, and

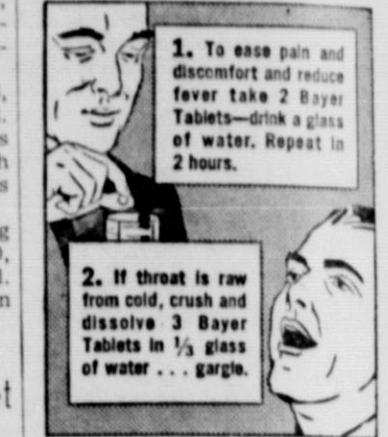
In Spirit of Love You will find as you look back upon your life that the moments that stand out, the moments when you have really lived, are the moments when you have done things in a spirit of love.—Henry Drummond.



Minds at Peace Quiet minds cannot be perplexed or frightened, but go on in fortune at their own private pace, like a clock during a thunderstorm.—R. L. Stevenson.

HOW TO RELIEVE COLDS

Simply Follow These Easy Directions to Ease the Pain and Discomfort and Sore Throat Accompanying Colds



THE SIMPLE WAY pictured above often brings amazingly fast relief from discomfort and sore throat accompanying colds.

Every man meets his Waterloo at last.—Wendell Phillips.

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Control of Self The secret of satisfaction in life is self-control.—Frank Crane.

TRANS-CANADA AIR ROUTE PLANNED FOR 1939

NEW YORK.—Over the mountains and plains of southern Canada a fleet of airliners is laying out a route which Great Britain proposes to use as a link in its system of communications binding together the world's mightiest empire.

Not until next summer will the Canadian government owned Trans-Canada air lines start passenger, express and mail service.

The fourth transcontinental airway in North America, from the western terminus of which planes bearing the Union Jack will span the Pacific, is still a-borning.

Advertisement for Waterbury Pen Co. featuring a certificate worth \$4.31 for a \$5.00 vacuum filler fountain pen. Includes details about the pen's features, a guarantee for life, and a special offer for \$1.00 sets. A form is provided for requesting the certificate.



# Fruit Juices Essential to Sound Teeth

By PATRICIA LINDSAY

"MANY savage tribes have wonderful teeth in spite of the fact they never clean them and do not know what a tooth brush is. It is largely due to the plentiful use of fruits, the juices of which have a valuable cleansing effect."

"In recent years," a medical book goes on to state, "some dental authorities have advocated cleaning the teeth with fruit juices or food acids, such as diluted cider vinegar, instead of the usual alkaline tooth powders. It is claimed that fruit acids promote the increased flow of saliva and in this way bring about a greater alkaline condition of the mouth within a few minutes. Saliva,



Plenty of fresh fruit juices for beauty!

as you know, is naturally alkaline. Furthermore fruit is somewhat antiseptic and is always healthful."

When fruit is reasonable in price and plentiful you should eat much of it. Especially fruits with juices. And you should drink fruit juices without sugar to reap the greatest benefit and nourishment.

## Right Foods Aid Tooth Health

There is one factor in maintaining sound and healthy teeth which is commonly overlooked, especially while a child is growing. That is which foods tend to strengthen and prolong the life of teeth. If the diet is lacking in the elements for building teeth and bones, then decay and loss of teeth is almost inevitable.

Medical authorities commonly agree on certain foods rich in lime and organic mineral salts, such as whole wheat bread in preference to white bread; shredded wheat and whole grain products such as oatmeal will help to build strong healthy teeth. Milk and eggs are both rich in lime. And vegetables eaten with the water in which they are cooked are strongly recommended.

Children and adults alike should eat natural foods, calling for exercise of the teeth and supplying all the elements provided by nature.

And every child should be trained early in life in the care of the teeth and in mouth hygiene.

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### HINT-OF-THE-DAY

#### Bowling for Trim Hips

Bowling is the ideal exercise to keep troublesome hip bulges down. In Hollywood it has become one of the most popular sports among the feminine stars. It keeps them sveit for the camera and helps to relax their minds and nerves after a busy day before the camera.

Don't be misled into thinking that only your arms will benefit from bowling. As a matter of fact, only about 20 per cent of the actual work is done with the arms. The back, the hips are each benefited by bowling, so much so that health and beauty experts declare that no other form of exercise is needed.

One hour on the alleys twice a week will do marvels for your figure and it's one of the few actual reducing exercises that is a pleasure to take.

#### Trumpets and Horns Are Important in Orchestra

The brasses of the modern symphony fall into two groups—the trumpets and the horns. In the former belong the trumpets, tubas and trombones; in the latter are found the various types of horns. In their relationship to the human voice, the trumpets would correspond to the soprano, the trombones to the contralto and the tubas to the baritone or bass.

True tubas have a cup mouth-piece and are built upright with either three or four valves. Notation has been variable, though most composers use the F clef. To Adolphe Sax is due much credit for perfecting our modern symphonic tuba, writes an expert in the Chicago Daily News.

Formerly called the sackbut, the trombone is built with a slide which moves up or down the two fixed "legs." There are seven positions for the slide, each producing its own harmonic series. It has been made in every register from soprano to contrabass. The "slide" method leaves nothing to be desired in tone quality, yet valves were added.

### EXPRESSION STUDIES

## For Real Christmas Spirit Take Youngsters Shopping



In Santa Claus' court at one of America's big department stores a fast photographer caught these candid shots of youthful shoppers going about their business. They're pictures you might find in any store in the country this time of the year.



### Santa Won't Miss 'Farthest North' U. S. Community

PENASSE, MINN.—Youngsters living in this isolated community are quite confident Santa Claus won't pass them by this Christmas. Penasse, you see, is St. Nicholas' first stop in the United States, and the farthest north point in the nation.

The bewhiskered gentleman abandons his reindeer before he reaches Penasse each year, because the deep snow usually hampers even those sturdy steeds. He travels by ski-equipped airplane, down to the isolated village twice each week from Warroad.

Penasse's only other visitor in the winter is Indiana Pete, a trapper living on a nearby island in the Lake of the Woods. The postmistress is Miss Helen Arnold, twenty-two, who admits business isn't very rushing—even at Christmas time.

### Ointment Named in Bible Is Extracted from Shrub Native to United States

America shares with the Holy Land the small plant from which comes the oil that recalls to mind events of 19 centuries ago, when the glories of the first Christmas were revealed to shepherds on Bethlehem's hills.

From this plant, which abounds in Minnesota's north woods and other places in the United States, is taken spikenard, highly-perfumed ointment referred to in the King James version of the Bible as used to anoint the feet of Jesus.

So this small, unassuming plant played a small part in events which gave us Christmas, most cheerful holiday of nations.

### Northern Outposts Await Planes With Christmas Parcels

EDMONTON, ALBERTA.—Almost forgotten by millions of Canadian and American Christmas celebrants are residents of far-flung outposts of the Canadian northwest territories. Each year they look forward to a merry Christmas—if the weather is good and parcels arrive by plane in time for the annual celebration.

Christmas express and provisions usually reach Edmonton, 1,480 miles northwest of Edmonton, a few days before Christmas. Another far-away place is Coppermine, 1,190 miles north of Edmonton on Coronation gulf. Pilot Marlowe Kennedy makes the trip to that outpost from Port Radium on Great Bear lake.

But even though Christmas provisions don't come through by airplane, residents of the arctic wastelands are brought to civilization's very door each Yuletide through the magic of radio.

### Community Christmas Trees

In many American communities "civic" Christmas trees are erected each December in the main square or street and the town's Yule activities center there. Many communities also string colored lights along the streets during the season to accentuate the holiday spirit. Usually the lighting of the community tree or the special street lights is accompanied by a ceremony in which the Christmas shopping season. Lights are removed immediately after New Year's Day.

# HOW TO SEW

by Ruth Wyeth Spears



Homemade dolls for collectors.

THIS Christmas it is not just the children who will receive dolls as gifts. Doll collecting is becoming a popular hobby for grown-ups. The most valued dolls are of whatever materials may be at hand and reflect the individuality of the person who made them. Rag babies of all kinds have an important place in such a collection. You will enjoy making the one shown here. Book 2 offered herewith also offers many suggestions for making and dressing dolls from scraps of materials.

If you want to make the stocking doll, clip these directions and keep them as this doll is not in either of the books offered here. The head and body are made of the foot of the stocking cut off where the heel begins, as shown. Stuff this part with cotton or bits of soft clean rags, sew across the bottom and then wind a thread around so that the toes of the stocking will form the head. Fold the leg and arm pieces lengthwise, stitch, turn and then stuff. Wrap thread around to make divisions for hands and feet. Sew the legs to the body, then add the skirt. The arms are sewn on top of the sweater piece and the sweater collar is turned down over this sewing.

NOTE: Mrs. Spears' Book 2—Gifts, Novelties and Embroidery.

### Largest Lake Once Farm

Underneath North Carolina's largest lake lies what was once the state's largest farm. Lake Mattamuskeet was pumped dry in a gigantic reclamation project and crops planted, but after spending \$17,000,000 in an attempt to keep the sea out, the farm was abandoned to the water and it is now completely submerged again.

The largest water pumping system in the world failed its task. The lake is shallow, ranging from one to six feet deep.

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### Walking Machine-Gun Nests

WITH all the war talk in the air these days, recent news that the new United States army rifle, the Garand semiautomatic, will make our infantrymen five times as effective as any other soldier in the world, was hailed as very comforting. Most military experts agree that wars are still won on the ground, and so the development of such a super-rifle by United States experts is really more important than many other more spectacular inventions.

Firearms were invented in China, where a primitive form of rifle was in use at least 2,500 years ago. The old Chinese had the basic idea of a straight tube, or barrel, to propel shot by the explosion of gunpowder. It wasn't until some 2,000 years later, early in the Fourteenth century, that firearms came into general use in Europe.

And it wasn't until the pioneering period of our own history that any marked advance was made in the rifle. In the forests of eastern America, the pioneer needed three things, an ax, a rifle and ammunition. The rifle was his defense against Indians, and also provided him with meat for food and skins for clothing and trade.

### Ask Me Another A General Quiz

1. What country claims the land at the North pole?
2. Who wrote the lines, "Oh, what a tangled web we weave, when first we practice to deceive"?
3. How large was the maple leaf that won the prize in Canada?
4. How long did Huey Long once talk in congress?
5. From where do we get the word gospel?
6. What is the correct pronunciation of Daladier?
7. What is the floor area of the United States capitol; the number of rooms?
8. What color were the Conestoga wagons?

#### The Answers

1. There is no land at the North pole, consequently no country has made any claim to it. Robert Edwin Peary on April 6, 1909, hoisted the American flag on the ice there.
2. They are from Sir Walter Scott's "Marmion."
3. In the national maple leaf contest held last year the winning leaf measured 21 by 22 inches.
4. On June 12, 1935, the late Sen. Huey P. Long began a filibuster in the senate which lasted 15 1/2 hours.
5. Gospel is the Saxon "God's spell"—that is, "God's story."
6. It is pronounced Dah-lah-day, the last syllable accented.
7. The capitol has a floor area of 14 acres, and 430 rooms are devoted to office, committee and storage purposes.
8. The underbody was painted blue and the upper woodwork was invariably red. Seymour Dunbar in his "History of Travel" says that these colors were as inevitable as though they had been prescribed by law.

### Children Constipated?

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#### Just His Dish!

"They tell me he's a wonderful after-dinner speaker."  
"Yes, you should hear him argue with the waiter about the bill."

### How Women in Their 40's Can Attract Men

Here's good advice for a woman during her change (usually from 38 to 52), who fears she'll lose her appeal to men, who worries about hot flashes, loss of pep, dizzy spells, upset nerves and moody spells. Get more fresh air, 8 hrs. sleep and if you need a good general system tonic take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made especially for women. It helps Nature build up physical resistance, thus helps give vitality to enjoy life. It helps ease coming jitters, nerves and disturbing symptoms that often accompany change of life. WELL-WORTH TRYING!

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A day for toil,  
An hour for sport,  
But for a friend is life too short.  
—Emerson.

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SEE HOW FAST, NEAT, AND FIRM P.A.'S SPECIAL CUT MAKES 'EM



Ken Metz (left) goes on with: "Say, Prince Albert's special cut makes roll-in's so quick and easy. I could spin up a jimdandy cigarette even in the dark."

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**Notes FOR THE KITCHENEER**

by Gail Kittredge

**CHRISTMAS CANDIES**

When homemade candies are recommended as ideal Christmas offerings, we mean candies that are "different," that have a truly professional air about them, and that are attractively done up in all the holiday trimmings. To make them, you will do well to provide yourself with a good candy thermometer. It is not costly, will last indefinitely, and is the only way of assuring absolute accuracy. When making candies on rainy days, cook them until the thermometer shows two degrees higher than that called for in the recipe. Now, when it comes to being "different," here are two recipes that quite meet this requirement:

**PEANUT BUTTER FUDGE**

2 cups sugar  
2 tablespoons light corn syrup  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 cup milk  
1 square unsweetened chocolate, cut in pieces  
1/2 cup peanut butter  
2 tablespoons peanut butter  
1 teaspoon vanilla

Combine sugar, corn syrup, salt, and milk. Place over medium flame and stir constantly until sugar is dissolved and mixture boils. Cover tightly and cook 2 minutes. Uncover and continue cooking, without stirring, until the thermometer reads 232° F., or until a small amount forms a soft ball in cold water. Remove from fire. Place chocolate and butter in a second pan; over these carefully pour one-half of the hot mixture. Cool both mixtures to lukewarm (110° F.). To plain mixture, add peanut butter and 1/2 teaspoon vanilla. Beat until creamy and mixture loses its gloss. Pour at once into buttered pan, 8 x 5 inches. Add 1/2 teaspoon vanilla to chocolate mixture. Beat until creamy and mixture loses its gloss. Spread over first layer. When cold, cut in 1-inch squares. Makes approximately 40 pieces.

And here's another equally yummy candy and suitable for putting on the Christmas tree!

**MOLASSES CARAMELS**

1/2 cup black walnuts or butternuts  
1/2 cup sugar  
1/2 cup molasses  
1/2 cup light corn syrup  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 cup light cream  
1/2 cup butter

Combine sugar, honey, salt, and water. Place over moderate flame and stir constantly until sugar is dissolved and mixture boils. Cover tightly and cook 2 minutes. Uncover and continue cooking without stirring to 240° F. Add cream and cook, stirring constantly, to 250° F. Add butter and cook, stirring constantly, to 258° F. Remove from fire. Distribute nuts over bottom of heavily buttered pan, 9 x 9 inches. Pour hot mixture over nuts. Do not scrape pan. Cool several hours without disturbing. Turn out on cold slab and cut into 3/4-inch squares with the full length of a long sharp knife. Wrap each piece in cellophane or waxed paper. Store in a covered container. Makes 144 squares.

Spread nuts over bottom of heavily buttered pan, 10 x 6 inches. Combine sugar, molasses, corn syrup, salt, and 1/3 cup cream. Place over medium flame and stir constantly until sugar is dissolved and mixture boils. Cover tightly and cook 2 minutes. Remove cover and continue cooking, stirring constantly, to 236° F. Add 1/3 cup cream and cook to 240° F., stirring constantly. Add butter and remaining 1/3 cup cream and cook to 244° F., stirring constantly. Remove from fire and pour over nuts. Do not scrape pan. Let stand overnight. Turn out on cold slab. Cut into 3/4-inch squares, using the full length of a long, sharp knife. Wrap each caramel in cellophane or wax paper. Store in covered container. Makes approximately 120 pieces.

Delicious candies may be made from old Mother Nature's own sweetener, pure comb honey. Only now the modern homemaker gets it already strained in convenient glass jars instead of in clumsy wooden frames. You do not have to be Scottish to enjoy Honey-scotch.

**HONEYSCOTCH**

2 1/2 cups sugar  
1/2 cup honey  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 cup water  
1/2 cup light cream  
1/2 cup butter  
1/2 cup black walnuts or butternuts

Combine sugar, honey, salt, and water. Place over moderate flame and stir constantly until sugar is dissolved and mixture boils. Cover tightly and cook 2 minutes. Uncover and continue cooking without stirring to 240° F. Add cream and cook, stirring constantly, to 250° F. Add butter and cook, stirring constantly, to 258° F. Remove from fire. Distribute nuts over bottom of heavily buttered pan, 9 x 9 inches. Pour hot mixture over nuts. Do not scrape pan. Cool several hours without disturbing. Turn out on cold slab and cut into 3/4-inch squares with the full length of a long sharp knife. Wrap each piece in cellophane or waxed paper. Store in a covered container. Makes 144 squares.



**ANCHORS AWEIGH**

BY MARSHALL FISKE



**Farewell to Chichen Itza—**

In painting a true picture of Chichen Itza, with high lights and shadows, one must bring major things to the foreground and then recede the minor ones into the background.

In the forefront, then, one would place such great and magnificent ruins as "El Castillo" (The Temple surmounting the Pyramid); the "Temple of the Warriors" (with its stone forest of "The Thousand Columns" about its base); the "Ball Court"; "The Observatory" and the "Nunnery"; "The Sacred Well" with its great historical and mythological associations must be included in the vanguard. Of these I have already spoken, now a few words about the minor temples and then we are ready to take our leave of Chichen Itza.

**"El Chichen-Chob"—(Red House)**

I climbed the terrace on which this building is located. I picked my way among the grass and weeds and stones, finally I arrived at the summit and stood before a small structure whose plain facade was cut up by three doorways. These doorways led into a hall that ran transversely across the length of the building. The ceiling was a high inverted "V" of stone, employing the well-known Mayan arch principle. From this vestibule three other doorways, which were opposite the ones at the entrance, communicated with three small chambers in the rear of this building. A frieze is to be seen, the background of which is red, and this gives the name to the building—"Red House."

What the original purpose of this edifice was is left entirely to conjectures—no one really knows. It might have been a temple for worship and meditation or a home.

**"House of the Deer"—**

One can see the so-called "Temple of the Deer", standing on an eminence of earth a short distance away from the "Red House". This edifice closely resembles the latter in general contour, with the important exception, that there are no chambers in it—just a transverse hall running through it.

The why and wherefore of this building also remains an unsolved rebus. Formerly, so at least it has been claimed, there was a mural embellishment on one of the walls in the hallway depicting a deer. It was this painting that gave the edifice its name—"House of the Deer."

**"Tomb of the High Priest"—**

Near the "Red House" one sees a pyramidal confirmation of earth, grass, rubble and traces of a stairway with balustrades of stone with serpent carvings. These stairways led to the summit of the pyramid where, no doubt, once stood a temple.

On the summit of this pyramid—on the platform—one sees a shaft leading downward to the ground level. Here Mr. Edward H. Thompson, the archaeologist, discovered human remains. Niches in the walls of the shaft, when

opened, revealed also human bones. The niches left intact if has been assumed, also contain skeletons.

To whom these remains originally belonged—whether to priests, rulers, great warriors or the like, will perhaps remain a mystery. This ruin is arbitrarily called "Tomb of the High Priest" for want of a better name. Formerly it was thought that a tunnel connected this Tomb with "El Castillo". So far this has not been verified, nor is it likely.

**"House of the Dark Writings"—**

In another section, I came across the "House of the Dark Writings". This edifice was so-called on account of the hieroglyphs surrounding a carved figure holding a vase. These writings were called "dark" in as much as, so far, they have remained undeciphered. This edifice has an older, central portion, and two newer wings. In peering through one of the doorways, I noticed what appeared to be a steam bath—water thrown on hot rocks—then they closed the small entrance with a stone. These Mayas were a cleanly people and who knows . . . these steam baths

were probably taken too to relieve physical ailments.

In this building, as well as in other temples, one sees the imprint of a red hand on the walls. Sometimes the color varies—black or green. This practice is not only confined to the Maya Indians, elsewhere one sees it too—in the United States—its significance is left open to conjecture. In general, however, this sign of the hand has been regarded as a seal of approval—of a blessing—not like the "Blank Hand" of Italy with its sinister signification.

There are other minor temples both in this section and in Old Chichen Itza, but the ones above described must suffice as I am not writing a guide book.

**Vale—**

I took my leave of Chichen Itza reluctantly and with regret. It had been for me such a great mine of archaeological riches. Only a few square miles have been retrieved from the arms of the encroaching jungle—originally Chichen Itza covered about 16 square miles—but what has been brought to light has been a mute, but glorious, reminder of a great people long since

vanished.

In these magnificent ruins we can glimpse an idea of their religion, government, their sciences, arts, sports, commerce—in fact—their life. These things are more or less clarified in our minds, but much—very much—still remains concealed in the mysterious shadows of the past. Only this emerges without cavil—that the high plane of the culture of the Mayas is revealed in these stupendous ruins. The work, hardships, entailed in the erection of these temples staggers the imagination—so colossal are these undertakings.

As I took my leave of Chichen Itza, it seemed to me I was watching a mother put her little ones to bed. As the twilight shadows fell, with night just in the offing, nature prepared her children for their long sleep of the ages. Slowly and silently she drew the coverlet of green jungle over them. Then she tipped away looking back at them with love-lit eyes, at these her children, of whom she was so inordinately proud.

(To Be Continued)

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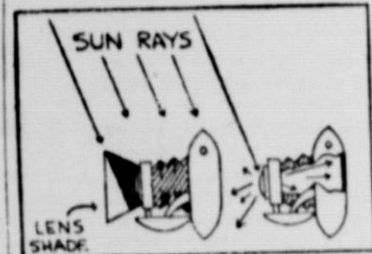
## AGAINST THE LIGHT



was snapped against the light, so shadows come toward the ordinary exposure gives the silhouette effect. A lens shade must be used if direct sun rays strike the glass, they spoil the picture.

you ever tried taking pictures "against the light"—that is, against the light source or photo lights beyond you so that the shadows fall on you instead of away from you?

where the light is intense, give the ordinary exposure if you want a silhouette effect. To get details in the highlights on hair and eyes, use a lens shade.



Note how lens shade (at left) protects glass from direct glare. Stray reflections are cut out, pictures are clearer, brighter.

shadow side, use an exposure two or three times as long.

For informal portrait studies, with the sun back of your subject, arrange a sheet of white cardboard or cloth so that it reflects light on the subject's face. And when the sky is the background of your picture, use a sky filter on the lens. This darkens the sky a bit and makes sunlight subjects stand out. It slips on the lens just as the sun shade does.

John van Galder

## New Craze, "Dukes-on-the-Line," Sweeps Nation and N. Y. "Cafe Set"

AMONG the daft crazes that sweep throughout the nation like a plague, mowing all susceptible people before it, and contaminating parties and other social gatherings, the latest to date is probably "Dukes-on-the-Line." Dukes is another hands game, like the late "Handies" epidemic, in which many an arm was sprained and many a rib broken by socialites wishing to suggest "Moon Over Miami."

Dukes-on-the-Line first erupted in New York in the fall of 1926, according to the most eminent of Dukes-on-the-Line historians, noted city editor Stanley Walker.

Mr. Walker, in the midst of international crises, domestic recessions and other factors of tribulation, seems to have dedicated many months in tracing the rise and spread of this wacky pastime. The result of his researches appears in the October Town and Country. The article is heavily illustrated with Manhattan's very

The person who calls correctly in a game in which more than two are playing drops out (he has won his drink), and the others continue playing in rotation until only two players are left. These two then have at each other. Here is where the excitement comes in, for when several are playing, the drink bill which the eventual loser must pay may be considerable. In a contest between two persons, each correct guess is known as a "horse" or a "leg," and a man must have two "horses" before he



Libby Holman and Ethel Merman are out-guessed by host Sherman Billingsley at Manhattan's Famed Stork Club.

smart and very social set staking each other for drinks through the medium of Dukes-on-the-Line.

But perhaps the game had better be explained. Says Stanley Walker: "Each participant has three matches. Any number may play, and each player, at his discretion, may hold in one, two, or three matches. The idea is to guess the total number of matches in all the hands. Thus, if two persons are playing, the total may be anything from none to six matches. If eight are playing, none to twenty-four.

The calling is done clockwise and all hands must be kept on the table until the last guess has been made, at which time they are opened and the count is made. No two persons can guess the same number, and the winner must guess exactly—not approximately.

can be acclaimed winner."

The first Dukes' contest, according to historian Walker, "was probably held in a speakeasy known as the Basques, operated by an amiable Edouard and his wife Marie on the north side of 40th Street just east of Elsie's Avenue. The players included, if memory serves, Vincent Sheehan, who has since distinguished himself as an author, Allan Reagan, who now devotes his talents to publicizing the beauties and resources of the State of New York, Don Skene, a prize-fight reporter and poet, who lived on playing matches much of the time, until his death in the early summer of 1938; Martin Sommers, a blond young man who later became a Saturday Evening Post editor, and Fred Allen, who was and is connected with one of the big Wall Street bond houses."

from since that Christmas eve.

As Dorothy started to reply, Helen warned her: "Sh—, there comes mother," and the youngsters were silent when she entered. Mrs. Bond, tired and absorbed in her own anxious thoughts, did not heed their un-



Mrs. Bond was roused by a knock at the door.

childlike quiet. Her apathy had developed that trait in them, and she was unaware of what her sorrow was doing to her children. She busied herself with the simple meal, and Dorothy's faint, "Mother, is Santa coming tonight," was the cause of her only break: "My poor baby, I'm afraid Santa doesn't even know you exist," she sobbed. She was getting them into bed, and they were soon asleep, their pillows wet with their tears that Santa was not coming. Too tired to sew, and in deepest depression, Mrs. Bond was roused from her inert brooding by a rap at the door.

A caller was unheard of. No one came to see her, for she had repelled all kindly offers of assistance when her husband disappeared. She ignored the knock. When it came again it was a significant signal, two short raps, repeated three times. Her husband's knock!

Quivering with excitement, she moved toward the door. Her fingers were trembling so that she could hardly turn the key. The door opened, and she gasped, "Tom!" as the sturdy, well-dressed man exclaimed, "Barbara!" and took her in his arms. Then, after a long embrace, he led her to the big chair she had just quitted, and drew her on his lap while they talked.

"I left you Christmas eve to do the last-minute shopping. But an icicle struck my head, and knocked me unconscious. I couldn't remember who I was or where I lived. I went to a hotel and after a few days got work as a salesman. I told my boss my predicament, and he has been very kind. Today, Christmas shopping somehow brought back to me who and what I was. And I couldn't wait to find you!"

"But how did you ever trace us?" Barbara asked. "I thought I left no clues. I thought you had deserted me, when we found you weren't an accident case."

"Deserted you? You? My poor child," and he drew her close again. "I did have a heck of a time, but old Jack, the baggage man, finally told me where you had moved to. But now we must get ready for last year's Christmas. And next week we'll get out of this hotel." Tom's affluence was apparent.

"My dear, my dear. I don't mind the hotel, now that you are safely home," Barbara whispered.

"All right, Babs, old girl. But

stop crying down my neck if you are really glad to have me back," but his tender kiss belied his joking words.

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### Popular Christmas Carols

Probably the best known Christmas carol is "Adeste Fideles," composed in 1700 and sung in Roman Catholic churches ever since. It was adopted in England in 1841 and sung in Protestant churches as "O Come All Ye Faithful." Among the more popular Christmas carols are "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night," "Christians Awake," and "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing." St. Ambrose is said to have written one of the first Christmas hymns in 340 A. D.

The earliest celebration of the birth of Christ, December 25 of each year, took place in the Fourth century, and the custom spread from the western to the eastern church. Before that date the commemoration of Christ's nativity and baptism took place January 6.

First mention of Christmas is found in a Roman document known as the "Philocalian calendar," in the year 354, and the first English celebration of the festival was in 598, when St. Augustine baptized 10,000 converts.

In 567, the Council of Tours, France, declared a 12-day festival from Christmas to Epiphany, and later, from 991 to 1016, the laws of Ethelred ordained that all strife should cease at Christmas. In Germany, Christmas was established in 813 by the Synod of Mainz, and in Norway by King Hakon the Good, in 950.

## Christmas Toys



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## Christmas A Year Late

By Edith Kirkwood

"TOMORROW'S Christmas day, tomorrow's Christmas day," little Dorothy was singing as she was prancing about the dingy apartment. She'd stop to roll up the sleeves that were continually slipping down over her hands. No wonder they didn't stay

up, for the dress was one that Helen, two years older, had outgrown. Mother had meant to make it over, but she was too tired when she got home from cleaning house for other people all day.

"Hush up, Dorothy. Mother will be coming in pretty soon, and she'll cry if we say anything about Christmas," Helen reminded her.

"I don't see why. Christmas is a time to laugh, and not to cry," Dorothy responded philosophically.

"Don't you remember last Christmas, and how daddy didn't come home with our packages?" Helen couldn't believe that even so little a sister as Dorothy should forget that. For daddy had never been heard

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

Therefore with our whole heart and in the spirit of the season, we hasten to bid you "Merry Christmas". It is in our heart through our great gratitude for your generosity and goodwill, to wish you the very merriest of all the Christmases you have ever known AND . . . a New Year filled to the brim with the realization of your fondest dreams, accomplishments, achievement and full measure of happiness and prosperity.



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# Dictators, Study in Psychology, Writes Dr. Carl G. Jung

WHAT manner of men are these European dictators, who, with lightning speed are changing the history of mankind? Few inquiries could surpass in importance the question which Dr. Carl G. Jung, the world's foremost analytical psychologist, answers in the January issue of *Cosmopolitan*, for dictatorship's triumvirate—Stalin, Hitler, Mussolini—not only direct the destinies of 300,000,000 people but are affecting the future of us all.

H. R. Knickerbocker, foreign correspondent for the International News Service, in his interview with Dr. Jung for *Cosmopolitan* asked this question: "What would happen if you were to lock Hitler, Mussolini and Stalin in a room together and give them one loaf of bread and one pitcher of water to last them a week? Who would get all the food and water, or would they divide it?"

"I doubt if they would divide it," Dr. Jung answered. "Hitler, being a medicine man, would probably hold himself aloof and have nothing to do with the quarrel. He would be helpless because he would be without his German people. Mussolini and Stalin, being both chiefs or strong men in their own right, would probably dispute possession of the food and drink, and Stalin, being the rougher and tougher, would probably get all of it."

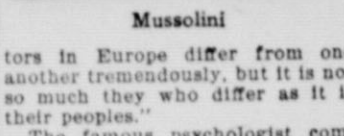
The law to remember about dictators, according to Dr. Jung, is that "it is the persecuted one who persecutes." The dictators must have suffered from circumstances calculated to bring about dictatorship. Mussolini came at the moment when the country was in chaos. Hitler came when the economic crisis had reduced the standard of living in Germany and increased unemployment to an intolerable level. Stalin came when the death of Lenin, unique creator of Bolshevism, had left the party and the people leaderless and the country uncertain of its future. "Thus," says Dr. Jung, "the dictators are made from human material which suffers from overwhelming needs. The three dictators in Europe differ from one another tremendously, but it is not so much they who differ as it is their peoples."

The famous psychologist compares the way the German people think and feel about Hitler with the way the Italians think and feel about Mussolini. The Germans are highly impressionable; they go to extremes and are always a bit unbalanced. The Italians, he points out, are more stable. Their minds do not roll and wallow and leap through all the extravagant ecstasies which are the daily exercise of the German mind. When the Fascists took power in Italy, Mussolini worked not with ecstasy of spirit, but with a hammer in his hand, beating Italy into the shape he wanted it, much as his blacksmith father used to make horse-shoes.

As a physician, Dr. Jung has not only to analyze and diagnose, but



(Above) Adolph Hitler (Below) Stalin, Russia's Strong Man.



Mussolini



## WOMEN GET TOO CLOSE TO FAMILIES, SAYS EDITOR

AMERICAN mothers become too closely involved and too tightly wound up in the lives of their husbands and children," according to Mabel Search, editor of *Pictorial Review*.

"This is one of the major causes of marital and family unhappiness," said the editor. "Under these circumstances women lose their perspective. They get a 'disapproval complex.' They don't like their children's friends, they suspect their husbands. They feel they have not done an ample job of bringing up their family. In other words, their whole lives seem to become hopelessly complicated."



Mabel Search, noted woman editor

"This seems to be one of the most common difficulties in American life," says Miss Search. "Yet, for some reason, one sees very little printed about it. Probably the best portrayal of this complex is in a story written by Alcee Douglas Kelly and published as the lead story in the November *Pictorial Review*."

Miss Kelly's story, according to Miss Search, is a simple piece of fiction built around a woman who has managed to make a great success of complicating her existence. She has trouble with her children and her husband, and, like most women in real life, she might never have had an opportunity to get a new perspective. But a doctor told her, rather abruptly, that she had but a single year to live.

With but a year to live, things which before seemed vitally important faded to absolute unimportance. As a result, the pressure of criticism and disapproval was lifted from her family; and the year that was to be her last became a year of release for her and her family.

"Oh, they cut down the trees and take them in the house, and put candles on them so they look like stars, and spangles that look like snow shining in the moonlight. And the people sing songs and give each other gifts, and it is a time of being glad," the little snow bird twittered.

"Oh, I wish they would take me," the little tree cried in excitement. "I'd love to see it all. I'd love to make people happy. But I'm too little," and he sighed unhappily.

"Sh! Let's all be quiet," one of the tall trees exclaimed. "The woodsmen are coming near us. We must be quiet so they won't notice us. Then we won't be cut down and left to die."

But in spite of their silence, the men drew near. They looked at the trees, and one of them said: "Oh, these are all too tall. No house or church could hold them. Let's get

tree over there. Such a beautiful straight tree. Wouldn't that do?" he called.

The man got out from the sled. He walked to the tree and fondled it gently. "I never saw a more beautiful tree. It seems to glow. Molly will love it," he said with a smile.

The little tree was so happy that he didn't feel the blows from the ax that cut him to the ground. And when they put him into the sled, he was still happy. The little boy called to his father: "It sounds as if the little tree was singing when the wind blows through its branches." And the little tree laughed delightfully.

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## New Quiz Book "Great Fun," Says Adela Rogers St. Johns

"WHERE are the Pocono Mountains?" Damon Runyon was asked by Sabina Hart Connolly.

"In Eastern Pennsylvania," the famous sports writer and columnist replied and proceeded to answer one hundred of Miss Connolly's questions for a score of 94.

Frank Buck, Bette Davis, McClelland Barclay, Adela Rogers St. Johns, and a score of other celebrities underwent an examination at the hands of the author of "What Do You Know" and came out with startlingly high scores. In her new book, which contains five thousand questions and answers promptly replied 28,000 feet. He was right and made a score for the entire quiz of 79%, while Morton Downey, the eminent tenor, could not remember the most popular of the Leather Stocking Tales by Cooper and got a score of 78%. The book was "The Last of the Mohicans."

"What Do You Know" is one of the finest pieces of research I have ever seen," said Adela Rogers St. Johns, the famous writer. "It arrived at our house shortly before dinner time and we spent the entire evening with it. Dicky, my youngster, led the field which makes me wonder if 'What Do You Know' should not be in every school. It's good fun and a splendid education and Miss Connolly has handled her subject well."

When Pat O'Brien, famous movie star, was asked the greatest depth of the Atlantic Ocean, he



## The Little Fir Tree

By Henry Harding

THERE was very little sunlight in the forest. The trees were so big, all the grown up trees. The little fir tree stretched himself, and tried to imagine himself as full grown. Looking up at the sky and the stars and the moon, he listened to the big trees talk. "Isn't the moon bright tonight," one would say; and there would be a gentle rustling of their leaves as the trees would shake their heads in agreement.

"I'm afraid you're going to be stunted, because there is so much shade here," a little squirrel said to the fir one day as he jumped into its branches and brushed the top limbs with his bushy tail. "It takes sunlight to make anything grow strong and tall."

So the little fir tree stretched himself up, and kept his head pointed toward the spot of sunlight he saw clear up through the maze of heavy tree growth. He could be straight and upstanding, even if he hadn't grown tall.

Today the ground was all covered with the snow which stayed white in the forest. All but a few birds had gone south. Every once in a while there was the sound of steel striking against wood, and infrequently a crashing sound of falling trees.

The tall trees began to tremble. "The woodcutters are out. But this is a funny time of year," one murmured to the others. Then one of the little snow birds spoke. "Have you forgotten that every year they come to cut Christmas trees?"

"What are Christmas trees?" the little fir asked.



"I never saw a more beautiful tree," he said. "It seems to glow."

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### Second-Hand Toy Business Booms Again

#### Discarded Playthings Provide Yule Cheer for Unfortunate

Throughout America thousands of public spirited citizens are participating in a toy industry from which they make no money, but will bring them a greater payment in satisfaction on Christmas morning.

That industry is the second-hand toy business, an enterprise that flourishes in towns and cities throughout the country each November and December. In high school manual training rooms, fire stations and service club headquarters, discarded playthings are being repaired and repainted.

In some of these workshops new toys are being fashioned by ingenious amateurs. But in all of them, busy merchants and professional men are devoting their spare time to helping Santa Claus make sure he has gifts for every youngster on Christmas eve.

#### Dolls Get New Dresses.

Dolls which faced dusty abandonment through their later years are being rejuvenated. Cleaning and new paint have brought back the first flush of youth to their shining cheeks and the early sparkle to their obediently open or closed eyes. New dresses have added much to their attractiveness.

There is new fire in the big glass eyes of many a rocking horse, too, the long legs of whose original owner would now dangle on the floor. With new paint throwing his proud mane into brighter relief, he's as rollicking a steed prancing along the road to romance as ever he was.

The procedure of these community volunteer organizations varies from city to city. In larger towns, policemen and firemen are rejuvenating toys collected by Boy and Girl Scouts. Smaller communities depend on volunteer co-operation. Women make new dresses for dolls and men repair the toys.

Christmas baskets for unfortunates will have many presents other than toys. Each year thousands of communities find means of placing candy, nuts, fruit—and often all the makings for a Christmas dinner—in each basket. Shoes, stockings, mittens and other apparel also finds a ready market.

### When Yule Carol Stilled War Guns On Battle Front

NORFOLK, VA.—Rev. J. Sutherland-Watt of Norfolk tells how the strains of "Silent Night, Holy Night," sweeping gently across a battlefield in two languages, quieted guns in front-line trenches of the greatest war on earth for a Christmas celebration.

It was Christmas eve, 1914, between Armentiers and Arras, while Gordon Highlanders huddled in trenches, when somebody remembered the day.

"Jim, let's sing," one said to Private Sutherland-Watt.

Jim pleaded off, but someone else started "Silent Night, Holy Night," and soon Jim and the whole Scot regiment had joined in.

When the last refrain subsided, from the opposite trenches arose other voices—attuned in "Stille Nacht." Then all night long Christmas carols rang from trench to trench in strange tongues while cannon and flares from other sectors lit the sky.

At the customary "zero" hour, the British soldiers saw gray-clad figures making their way out of the opposite trenches. A few shots were fired. Then it was seen that the Germans carried no arms. Spots leaped from their trenches, likewise unarmed, only to be ordered back.

### Anti-Communist Flags Replace Beloved Santa In Japan's Christmas

TOKYO.—Santa Claus has been banished from Japan, much to the sorrow of thousands of boys and girls who had come to love the patron saint of Christmas. A home ministry ordinance now forbids the usual festival manner of celebrating. Japan, although not a Christian nation, has been celebrating the day with growing ardor annually, with department stores featuring Santa Clauses similar to the American variety. But now shopkeepers have announced that instead of the usual decorations their establishments will display Japanese, German and Italian flags, representing the three leading anti-communist nations.

#### Christmas All Year!

CHRISTMAS, FLA.—There's nary a snowflake in this southern community but it's the only town in America that has a "Christmas" atmosphere the year around. Each Yuletide season cards and packages come from all parts of the world to be stamped and mailed again by "Mrs. Santa Claus," otherwise known as Postmistress Juanita S. Tucker. The post office was established June 27, 1892. Offices at Christmas, Ky., and Christmas, Ariz., have been abandoned.

# BELLS OF CHRISTMAS

### World's Oldest, Simplest Musical Instrument Is Universal Yuletide Symbol

Each nation has its individual symbols of Christmas: In England there is the Yule log, in France the candles and in Holland the wooden shoe. But throughout the entire world there is one universal symbol, the bells of Christmas.

This is strange because bells were not associated with the church until at least 400 A. D. when Paulinus, an Italian bishop, installed them in his church. Some bell authorities claim that Pope Sabinianus gave us the first church bells in 604.

The custom has grown until there is perhaps no use of church bells so widely known in Christian countries as the ringing of chimes to herald the advent of the birth of Christ. From huge cathedrals to tiny country churches, from the frozen arctic to the sunny tropics, the bells peal forth each Christmas season an old, old story of "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

America's very national existence is wrapped up in the priceless Liberty bell at Philadelphia, and certainly no one can say that bell music isn't the most democratic music in the world.

In recent years the ancient bell has "grown up" into the carillon, a highly sensitive instrument on which Christmas carols seem to find their most perfect expression. There are now more than 200 of these instruments, 30 of them in the United States. Similar to the carillon, but differing in the number of bells, tuning and arrangement of keyboard, are chimes. Some of the finest chimes hang in English cathedrals and spread the Christmas message each December.

A chapter in the history of bells may be found in the story of almost any creed or culture. First known in the East, they were used by aboriginal people as ornaments. They came down through Grecian days and called Roman citizens to the forums, later summoning early Christians to worship. In the Middle Ages they called people to arise, guided the far-away traveler.

Napoleon loved bells so dearly he would not destroy them, while Henry VIII took fiendish delight in destroying them.

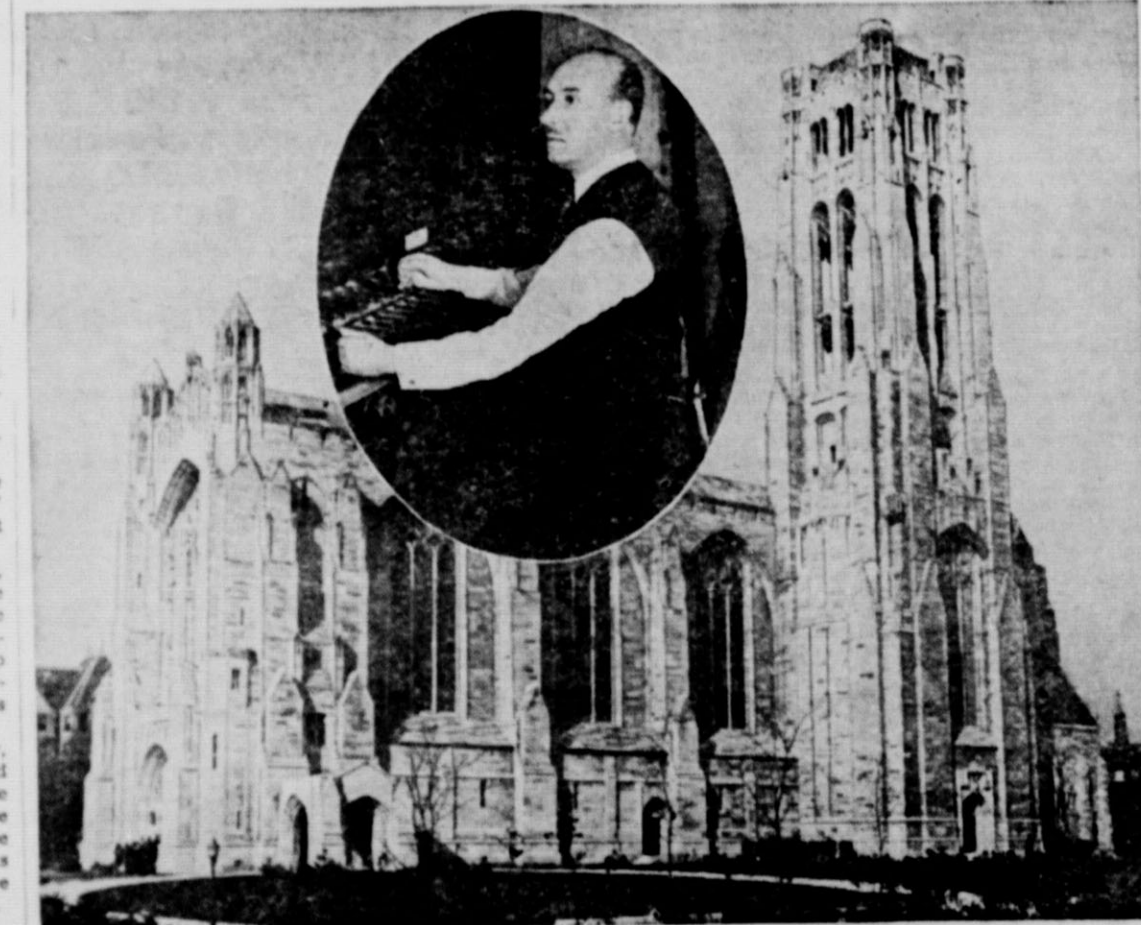
Bells have made people laugh and cry, have stirred them to action and

lulled them to sleep. Bells are the simplest, yet the most compelling musical instrument in the world and it is fitting that they should toll the universal message of Christmas, of "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

RIGHT—Bok singing tower and bird sanctuary at Mountain Lakes, Fla., said to be the most ideally conceived and located carillon in the country. It rings each Christmas day.



ABOVE—Mrs. A. S. C. Forbes tests the tone of a replica of a California mission bell, which were among the first church bells in the territory later to become the United States.



The University of Chicago chapel which has one of America's most beautiful carillons, the gift of John D. Rockefeller Jr. Inset, Kamiel LeFevre,

noted Belgian musician who was brought to the United States to play it. This carillon, too, rings out the story of Christmas each year.

### Typists for U. S. G-Men Buy Gifts for 'Children'

WASHINGTON.—Girls working in the typing section of the G-men's fingerprint division at the United States Department of Justice, will stake their three "adopted" families to a Christmas dinner on December 25. Last Christmas the girls adopted three needy Washington families, agreeing to help them throughout the year. Annually the federal bureau of investigation employees distribute food, clothing and toys for orphans, hospital patients and other needy people of Washington.

### Roosevelt's Greetings Broadcast to U. S. Navy

WASHINGTON.—Christmas greetings from President Roosevelt and high ranking officials of the Navy department will be flashed Christmas eve from the fleet and naval ships and stations throughout the world. The message is an annual custom, awaited by American "gobs" and officers alike in their iron-clad battleships thousands of miles from home.

### 'Silent Night, Holy Night'



NEW YORK.—Youthful members of the choir of St. Vincent of Ferrer's church, New York, lift their boyish voices in the unforgettable hymns of Christmas. Throughout the United States, church choirs are preparing special music for Yuletide recitals, for song plays as an important part in the observance of Christmas. No church music is better known than Yuletide hymns.

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### HEADLINES FROM THE LIVES OF PEOPLE LIKE YOURSELF!



#### High Heels

HELLO EVERYBODY:

This is a story about high heels, and horses, and about a fellow who had one foot in the stirrup and one foot in the grave.

The guy is Lee Burgess of Toms River, N. J., and if any of you fellows think, like I used to, that high heels are no good for anybody but women, and not any too good for them, Lee will give you an argument on the subject. Lee knows at least one good reason for wearing high heels. And for men wearing them, at that.

When Lee was in his early twenties—and that was back in the fall of 1919—he spent a few months on a ranch near the little town of Walden, Colo. A city greenhorn, he was vastly impressed by the scenery, by the cattle business, and by the life he saw going on around him. "But most of all," he says, "did I admire the cow-punchers and the easy way they handled the spirited cow-ponies they rode. I fairly acted to emulate them."

#### Learned to Stick on a Horse's Back.

Lee says there's no finer, more generous or more open-hearted class of men than the cow-punchers. They gave him their friendship, and along with it all kinds of good advice on the handling of horses. They started him riding on safe docile ponies, and although he was quite awkward at it, he soon learned to stick on a horse's back well enough to go riding with the boys, rounding up strays, cutting out calves and doing the thousand and one odd jobs that man and horse have to do on a big ranch.

"As I progressed," says Lee, "I quite naturally changed from the slower, more patient ponies to faster, more highly organized animals. My seat improved, and with greater ease in the saddle my confidence in myself grew by leaps and bounds."

And quite often it's nothing more than a little too much confidence that leads you into one of those good old-fashioned hair-raising adventures.

"One bitterly cold day," says Lee, "when the air was as clear and sharp as thin glass, it was decided to move some 500 head of cattle from the home ranch down to the Old Ranch for winter feeding. I asked to be included in the crew and felt mighty proud when I was accepted by the foreman. With the temperature at forty below zero it was a job to keep warm. I dressed in heavy underwear, mackinaw, blanket pants, hair chaps, wool-lined coat, mittens and cap. It was all I could do to navigate in all this haberdashery. Having put on two pairs of heavy woolen socks, my feet were too large for the tight riding boots I usually wore, so I slipped on some big work shoes and buckled my spurs to them."

And that was an error that Lee nearly paid for with his life, for those shoes had flat heels, and not the high ones with which Western riding boots are generally equipped.

#### Horse Had Bad Disposition.

The horse Lee had chosen to ride was "Bill," a big, rangy buckskin, fast on his feet, but not noted for his good disposition. They rode over to the cattle corral and the boys left Lee at the gate ready to swing it open when the animals were bunched up for the drive. Sitting on his



Felt as if his leg were being torn from its socket.

horse, he got colder and stiffer every minute he waited. Finally the herd was bunched and headed for the gate—big, heavy, Hereford cattle, lowing, bawling and making wild dashes hither and yon. "Hereford cattle," says Lee, "are peculiar. They will not attack a mounted man, but they are deadly to one afoot. I didn't know this, and since the gate was heavy and I was all bound up in excess clothing, I slipped off Bill to swing it open."

The next thing Lee knew he heard a yell from the foreman and looked up to see the herd almost on top of him. Someone yelled, "Get on that horse. Yuh want ta get killed?" And Lee moved plenty fast. He put his foot in the stirrup and swung himself on his horse, but because he was stiff and cold and hampered by a lot of excess clothing, his right foot didn't quite swing clear. Instead he gave Bill a rake across the hind-quarters with his spur, and Bill jumped. Lee lost his hold. The next minute he was on the ground, hanging by his left foot to the stirrup. His low heel had slipped through and his ankle was held in the bow as if he had had on a leg iron.

"Bill started to run," says Lee, "with the cattle pounding right on behind. My head was dragging at the horse's heels and his steel shoes actually stirred my hair. I knew that to put my arms over my head was to have them smashed. My only hope was to work my foot free and take my chances with the cattle. The horse ran faster and faster as he became more frightened at my weight dragging alongside. Contrary to reports, my sins did not troop before my mind at this time. All I thought of was to get my foot free, for my leg felt as if it were being dragged from its socket."

#### Could Feel Death Clutching at Him.

Lee says he could fairly feel death reach out and clutch at him. One fate had him fast by the foot, dragging him to doom; another thundered along behind him. If he wriggled from the grasp of the one, he was sure to fall under the pounding hoofs of the other.

To right and left he could glimpse the legs of other horses about him, and knew his friends the cow-punchers were doing their best to save him. "But I knew, too," he says, "that help couldn't possibly come from them. The cattle seemed to have fallen away somewhere, but I still had to get loose from my horse. I kept tugging on my imprisoned foot, and suddenly there was a snap. The lace broke, my shoe came off and I was lying on the ground, quiet, motionless. Believe me, for a moment I was the most comfortable man in the world."

"The boys were around me, helping me up. I'll never forget the foreman, a young man with a fair skin, for the freckles stood out on his paper-white face like legal seals on a state document. They carried me to the ranch house, and when the reaction set in I was a pretty sick guy for a while. The foreman told me he never expected to see me come out alive. A short time before, a puncher on a neighboring ranch had been dragged by the foot in a like manner, but his frenzied pony had literally kicked his body to shreds."

And that brings us around to Lee's argument about high heels. You see, when they're on a puncher's boots, they're not for show, but to keep the foot from sliding through the stirrup and prevent just the sort of accident that almost had Lee up before the celestial bar of justice, cashing in his chips for a first payment on a harp.

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#### Kruger National Park

Kruger National park in South Africa is the most important wild animal preserve in the world. It covers an area as large as the country of Belgium, numbers among its inhabitants all kinds of African animals, from elephants and giraffes on down to the smallest species of antelope.

#### Colonists Had a Dog Mart

The colonists needed good dogs. Usually the ones they raised weren't as good as they wanted, so they began trading with the Indians for their dogs. So once a year the colonists and the Indians met and swapped dogs. The dog mart was discontinued during the Revolution, and revived only a few years ago.

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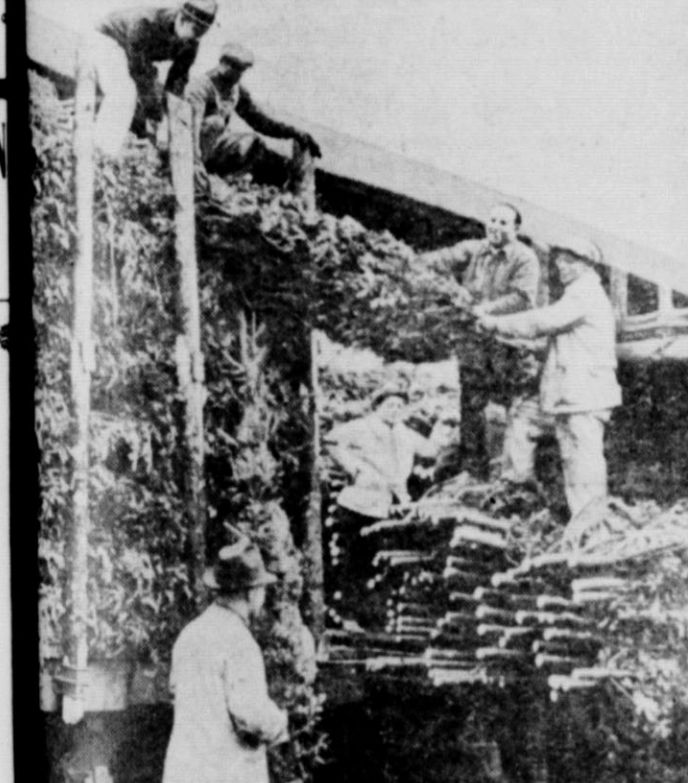
### Early Mailing Helps Postman Avoid Problem of Yule Rush

#### Public Always Waits Until Last Minute Despite Tearful Pleas.

Christmas mailers didn't wait until the last minute with their letters and packages, post office officials predict the annual Yule rush will be minimized immensely. But the tearful pleas each December for the bulk of holiday mail to be mailed before Christmas, less than seven days before Christmas, say officials, is a really fears, say officials, is that their gifts will be delivered too late before Christmas. As a result many gifts don't arrive until after Christmas! "Mail early," officials plea of the heavily burdened postmen below.



### Nature's Yuletide Gift



From verdant forests throughout northern America, trees to grace the Christmas morning are shipped each year. This picture was taken in Maine, where 1,500,000 trees are being felled for the holidays, and loaded for shipment to all parts of the United States.

### Colorado Town Revives Ritual of Log Burning

ALMER LAKE, COLO.—Residents of this high-perched town on the great Divide celebrate their Christmas in an old-fashioned way, by burning the traditional yule log. Each year the log is secretly notched and tied with hempen ropes, hidden among the trees and awaiting the funder to whom the honor of dragging it into the town hall, where local firemen built a huge stone fireplace big enough to accommodate a 24-foot log. Previously the celebration was held in a private home where fewer guests could be accommodated. The hunt for the yule log starts at 11 p. m., when all participants are summoned by a bugle to meet in front of the hall. The yule log has a colorful history in Scandinavia, where Thor, god of thunder, was worshipped, and great log fires were built on the rocky shores both in summer and mid-winter in order to propitiate him for his winter wrath. When the early fathers substituted the feast of the Nativity for that of Midra, the Persian sun who was worshipped on December 25 in early Rome, a different note crept in. Yule-tide became a time for feuds to cease. In England, before the Reformation, bringing in the yule log was an important part of the Christmas festivities. The community gathered in the hall of the manor, where the log was kindled with due ceremony and all partook in the wassail cup, a sweet cider flavored with fruits and spices.

### Minstrel's Shrine



This monument at Oberndorf, Austria, honors Joseph Mohr, who wrote the words to "Holy Night," and Franz Gruber, who wrote the music for one of the world's most beloved Christmas hymns.

### Christmas Wreath 'King'

Started as Shoemaker WINSLOW MILLS, MAINE.—Thrown out of work when a shoe factory closed last year, Mervin Flanders came back to his home town and set himself up as the leader of Maine's Christmas decoration business. Flanders' success story started with a ball of string, some barrel hoops, some spruce boughs and a little ambition. Now he's perfected a gadget that speeds up the wreath-making process by ten times. Shoemaking, he says, can't compare to the wreath business.

### CHRISTMAS FIRE HAZARDS

Lighted Christmas candles in the window look nice but they may ignite the curtains. Fire experts warn that extreme care must be observed in using candles and other Yuletide illuminations.

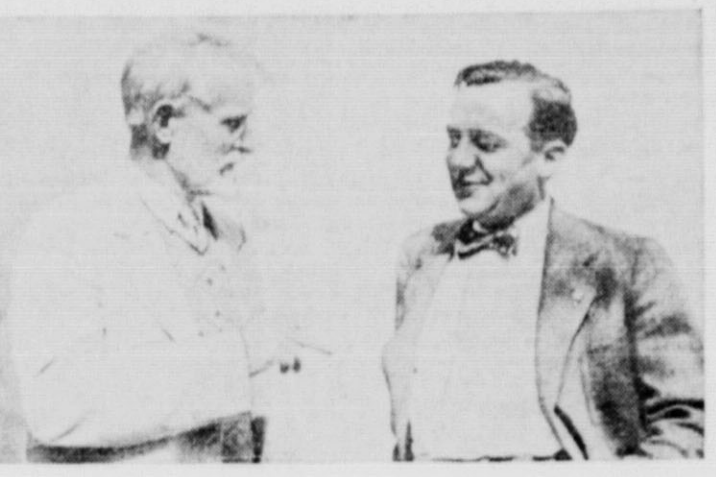
## A Southwestern Cowboy Became 'Novelist of the Cattle Kingdom'

#### In "The Hired Man on Horseback," the Widow of Eugene Manlove Rhodes Tells the Fascinating Story of His Eventful Career and a Well-Known Critic Pays Tribute to His Literary Importance as the Ablest Interpreter of Life on the Desert Range.

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON

WHEN Eugene Manlove Rhodes died in California on June 27, 1934, they took him back to New Mexico and buried him in a grave dug in the white gypsum on the summit of his beloved San Andres mountains. At its head they erected a simple marker which bore only his name and the words, "Paso por Aqui."

"Paso por Aqui"—that is the Spanish for "He passed by here" and it was the phrase used by the Spanish Conquistadores who visited El Morro, Inscription Rock, and carved their names on this landmark of the Southwest. But it has more meaning than its simple phrasing suggests—especially when it is applied to Gene Rhodes. That grave, with its unpretentious marker, in the mountains of New Mexico, has become a shrine for thousands of Americans who have read the novels, short stories and



Eugene Manlove Rhodes (left) talks over frontier days with another chronicler of the Old West, Stuart Lake (right) biographer of Wyatt Earp, Arizona marshal.

magazines in his saddle pockets. For every time he turned a page, there is a probability the bronc would swallow his neck. One horse was given a special reading breaking. . . . When the bronc went over backward with an earth-shaking thud, Gene, having thrown himself clear as usual, raced to the animal's head before it could make a move to get up and set down on it. Sitting on the bronc's head, Gene pulled a volume of Browning from his jumper pocket and lost himself in communion with the immortal poet.

Nor did he confine his reading habits to the "hurricane deck of a bronc." "When books and magazines were not available, Gene read even the labels on cans, commending as especially enjoyable English the label on Worcestershire sauce bottles, which he read a countless number of times." Small wonder, then, that he should turn to writing.

His first work, short stories and poems, appeared in the *Out West* magazine in 1902 but within five years some of his short stories were appearing in half a dozen of our leading magazines.

Incidentally, it was one of his poems which led to a correspondence with a young widow back in New York state and their romance developed into the marriage of Eugene Manlove Rhodes, cowboy, and May Davison, recently graduated from a nurse's training school in Philadelphia. "The Hired Man on Horseback" is the story of their life together, in poverty and in prosperity, in Rhodes' beloved Southwest and during a long period of exile which he spent in the East.

Admirably supplementing that human interest document is Bernard De Voto's introduction to the book which bears the title of "The Novelist of the Cattle Kingdom." In discussing "Gene Rhodes, writer of horse operas, as a serious literary artist," De Voto declares:

"He was a realist not only of the externals of life in a vivid, brief era but a realist of the beliefs and aspirations that gave it vitality. And the historian must conscientiously point out that, during the 1920's when the more

anyone does: "They talk in a blithe way that no other fiction writer has made cowboys talk, unless O. Henry be excepted. Mr. Rhodes knows literature, and while he will not have one of his cowboys sacrifice fidelity to his own speech in order to say a good thing, only O. Henry and Alfred Henry Lewis among the fictionists of the West can vie with him in the grace of literary allusion. It seems perfectly natural for Pres Lewis in 'The Trusty Knaves,' after biting off a chew of tobacco, to say:

"You keep your voice down, brother. If you bellow at me any more I'm liable to prophesy against you. . . . When you got any communications for me I want 'em sweet and low, like the wind of the western sea."

What! A cowboy quoting Tennyson! Yes, they did it and here's why: a great many of them



May Davison Rhodes

smoked a popular brand of tobacco that came in little cloth bags and with them cigarette papers with which to "roll your own." This tobacco company once distributed, with the tobacco, paper-bound reprints of the classics of English literature. Gene Rhodes, the "reading cowboy," wasn't the only one who absorbed literary culture from those little paper-bound books!

A Born Story-Teller. That reading helped make him the literary artist that he was—plus the fact that he was a born



"The Hired Man on Horseback" in the country which Eugene Manlove Rhodes loved and wrote about.

important part of Rhodes' work was done, it was not fashionable in American literature to assert the tenets of democracy nor to affirm the dignity of common life and the worth of native American ways and values. His work ran exactly counter to the main stream of fiction and criticism during that museum decade, which may be another reason why criticism ignored it."

In other words, this cowboy-writer was an "American patriot" in the truest sense of the word. It seems strange that we have had to wait until after his death to realize that fact and pay tribute, as Mr. De Voto has done, to him for it.

What is there to distinguish Rhodes from other writers of cowboy life? It is his authenticity. For, as Mr. De Voto observes, "Rhodes' people talk like living men." Confirmation of that fact is this statement of J. Frank Dobie, who knows his West if

Why the title "The Hired Man on Horseback" for this biography of Eugene Manlove Rhodes? It's because literary critics, in commenting upon one of his novels, suggested that he made the cowboy a much too romantic figure. "The typical cowboy is . . . simply a riding farmhand," said James Stephens in the *International Book Review* and his words were echoed in statements which appeared on the editorial pages of the *Minneapolis Tribune* and the *San Francisco Chronicle* to the effect that "The cowboy, after all, was never anything more than a hired man on horseback."

Thereupon Rhodes sat himself down and wrote

**THE HIRED MAN ON HORSEBACK**  
(With apologies to G. K. Chesterton and Don Juan of Austria.)  
Harp and flute and violin, throbbing through the night,  
Merry eyes and tender eyes, dark head and bright;  
Moon shadow on the sundial to mark the moments fleet  
The magic and enchanted hours where moonlight lovers meet,  
And the harp notes come all brokenly by night winds stirred—  
But the hired man on horseback is singing to the herd!

(Whoopie-ti-yo-o-o! Hi yo-o, my little dogies!)  
Dogger upon his lips and valor in his heart,  
Not to flinch and not to fail, not to shirk his part;  
Weary-eyed, he wears the stars wheel by,  
And he knows his guard is nearly done by the great clock in the sky.  
He hears the Last Guard coming and he hears their song begun,  
A foolish song he will forget when he forgets the sun.

(Whoopie-ti-yo-o-o! Hi yo-o, my little dogies!)  
"We got 'em now, you sleepy men, so pull your freight to bed  
And pound your ear an hour or two before the east is red."  
If to his dreams a face may come? Ah, turn your eyes away,  
Nor guess what face may come by dream that never comes by day.  
Red dawn breaking through the desert murk,  
The hired man on horseback goes laughing to his work.

The broker's in his office before the stroke of ten.  
He buys and smiles and he sells and smiles at the word of other men,  
But he gets his little commission flat, whether they buy or sell,  
So be it drought or storm or flood, the broker's crops do well.  
They are short of Katy Common, they are long on Zinc Preferred—  
But the hired man on horseback is swimming with the herd!

White horns gleaming where the flood rolls brown,  
Lefty fighting the lower point as the current sweeps them down,  
Lefty fighting the stubborn steers that will not turn or slow,  
They press beside him, they swim below him—"Come out, and let them go!"  
But Lefty does not leave them and Lefty tries once more,  
He is swinging the wild leaders in toward the northern shore;  
"He'll do to ride the river with!" (Bridging the years between,  
Men shall use those words again—and wonder what they mean.)  
He is back to turn the stragglers in to follow the leaders through  
When a cottonwood snag comes twisting down with long arms lashing hate,  
On wearied horse and wearied man—and they see it come, too late!  
—A brown hand lifted in the splashing spray,  
Sun upon a golden head that never will be gray,  
A low mound bare until new grass is green—  
But the Palo Pinto trail herd has crossed the Cimarron!

A little midnight supper when the play is done,  
Glancing lights and sparkling eyes the night is just begun,  
Beauteous night, O night of love!—Youth and joy are met,  
Shine on our enchantment still! "Sweet, your eyes are wet,  
—Dear, they sing for us alone!" Such the lover's creed,  
—But the hired man on horseback is off with the stampede.

There is no star in the pit-black night, there is none to know or blame,  
And a hundred yards to left or right, and a hundred yards there—and shame!  
A stone throw out on either side, with some to guess or tell—  
But the hired man on horseback has raised the rebel yell!  
He has turned to loosen his saddle strings, he has furnished his slicker free,  
He whips it high and he snaps it wide wherever the foremost be,  
He slaps it into a longhorn's eyes till he falters in his stride—  
An oath and a shot, a laugh and a shot, and his acid moccasins race beneath,  
A pony stumbles—no, he is up, unhurt and running still!  
"Turn 'em, turn 'em, turn 'em, Charlie! Good boy, Bill!"  
They are crashing through the cedar mottles, they are skating the rimrock slick,  
They are thundering through the cactus flats where the badger holes are thick,  
Day is breaking, clouds are lifting, leaders turn to mill—  
"Hold 'em, cowboys! Turn 'em, Charlie! God! Where's Bill!"

The proud Young Intellectuals, a cultured folk are these,  
They scorn the lowly Habbits and their hearts are overseas,  
They turn their backs upon us, and if we ask them why they smile and Pilate, and they stay for no reply;  
They smile at faith and honor, and they smile at shame and crime—  
But the old Palo Pinto man is calling for his time.

For he heard old voices and he heard hoofs  
Songs that long ago were gay to time with drumming feet;  
Best back straightened and dim eyes grow bright—  
The last man on horseback rides on into the night!

Cossack and Saracen  
Shout their wild welcome then,  
Ragged proud Conquistadores claim him  
Kind and kin,  
And the wild Beggars of the Sea leap up to swell the din;  
And Hector leans upon the wall, and David bends to scan  
This new brown comrade from the old brown clan,  
The great-hearted gentlemen who guard the outer wall,  
Black with sin and stained with blood—and faithful through it all;  
Still waiting for all ornament the scars they won below—  
And the Lord God of Out-of-Doors, He cannot let them go—  
They have hailed the hired horseman beyond the outer gate,  
But the gentlemen adventurers cry shame that he should wait;  
And the sour saints soften, with a puzzled grin,  
As Esau and Ishmael press to let their brother in,  
Hat tip-titled and his head held high,  
Brave spurs jingling as he passes by—  
Gray hair tousled and his lips a-quirk—  
To the Master of the Workmen, with the tally of his work!  
—EUGENE MANLOVE RHODES.

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Solemnity of Dawn  
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SPECIAL CHRISTMAS EDITION



Kara Hunsucker, Editor

The Spirit Of Christmas

The happiest and most joyful of all seasons is at hand—the Christmas season. The Christmas spirit, with its magic, its festivities, its ecstasy, and with its startling story that never loses lustre in the telling, has taken possession of us all. Yes indeed, Santa Claus is coming to town!

one where a dictatorship exists. We are on the threshold of a new year; and as we look towards the future, we wonder what it will bring. Only time will tell. But to a certain degree we can guide the future by preparing it. The march of dictators cannot be stopped by disastrous wars; the last war proved that. Our only hopes lies in another birth of freedom. We must apply the Golden Rule together with the spirit of Christmas throughout the year in order to make the world a happier place in which to live.

Yule Bells

The time draws near the birth of Christ; The moon is hid; the night is still; The Christmas bells from hill to hill Answer each other in the mist.

NEW YEAR'S BELLS Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky, The flying cloud, the frosty light; The year is dying in the night; Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.

Christmas Program Given In Chapel

On Wednesday, December 21, the Home Ec. Club was again in charge of the chapel program. Jimmy Lee Guthrie gave a scripture reading, and the male quartet sang several songs. Rev. Vaughn delivered an interesting address, and this was followed by a reading, "The Christmas Substitute," by Miss Faulkner. Virginia Estes sang "O Little Town of Bethlehem," and Frances Stearns gave a reading, "The Christmas Guest."

Christmas Parties Given By Classes

Quite a number of Christmas parties were given by the various classes and clubs this week. The sophomores gave a party in the gym on Wednesday, December 21, from 11:00 to 1:00, and the freshmen also had a party yesterday. Since the Home Ec. Club gave its program in chapel, each class had a separate party, and exchanged gifts.

Teachers Plan Various Trips

"Just how will the dear old faculty spend the holidays?" ask the students of M. H. S. So here, boys and girls, is the answer: Mr. Ezzell—to visit in Cisco. Miss Rister—to visit her parents at Abilene. Mr. Gray—to visit in Cee Vee and probably make a trip to Dallas. (Mr. Gray was rather reluctant in telling us just what he planned to do at Dallas.) Mr. Martin—to visit in Stamford. Mr. Tunnell and Mrs. McKenzie—to have a good old-fashioned Christmas at their respective homes. Miss Faulkner—to visit her parents at Childress. She will also spend several days visiting in Abilene.

TO MR. SANTA CLAUS NORTH POLE

Dear St. Nick: I have been a very good little boy this year, and I want a steamboat, a pair of real cowboy chaps, some fruit and candy, and please, Santa, don't forget my mama wants a new mink coat.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good girl. I want a dollie. I want a little buggy I do so want some dishes. Please don't forget the poor kids. Your little friend, Tom Nell Darsey

Dear Santa:

I just want one thing—please please bring Bennie back to me, and if it's not too much trouble, also a wrist watch. Lonely and discouraged, Myrnavae Barkley.

Hi Ya' Santa: How are ya', old pal? I'm tops, etc. I want ag many girl friends as you can carry in your pack and enough gasoline to run a Buick for about 12 months. Gotta date, so good-bye. Yours around the clock, Bennie Keltz.

Dear Mr. Santa: I'm a very humble person; therefore, I just want a new dish-pan and lots of ash-trays for Johnny. Very truly yours, Frances Stearns

Dear Santa Claus: I would like a darling new evening bag with one of those new lipsticks included. You know. And I want a little mink jacket to wear with my lame gown. You know. And I want an engagement ring from a promising young man. You know.

Waiting patiently, Virginia Ester

Dear Santa: I know it's a lot to ask, but please have Mr. Craven raise my wages a little. I'm a very domestic sort of person so I'd like to be able to save a little money for furniture and such after I've made good as a business man. Respectfully yours, Houston Schweitzer.

DRILL TUNNEL 32 YEARS

Randsburg, Calif.—Mining men say that the tunnel just driven through Black Mountain by William Schmidt is probably the greatest one-man achievement in the history of the search for precious metals. Schmidt started his tunnel 32 years ago so that he could more easily transport gold ore from a remote mountain claim far from any roads. Incidentally he hoped the bore would tap other veins of mineral in the heart of Black Mountain. Unable to afford machinery, he has driven the 2,000-foot tunnel through solid granite by hand drill and blasting. He has worked on ranches during the summers to earn money for food and dynamite. Now, at the age of 66 and with his long job completed, Schmidt intends to go to work in earnest

to develop his long idle gold deposit. cover within it a "cross-section of to-day. Scientists are busy assembling the varied contents of this receptacle, to include microscopic books, small articles of everyday use and motion pictures which will tell people of the century how those of the looked, dressed and behaved. Go To Church Sunday

Advertisement for Underwood Typewriter. Includes text: 'GIVE THEM A HELPING HAND!', 'EASY TO USE', 'Easy to Own', 'UNDERWOOD', 'CONVENIENT BUDGET PAYMENTS ARRANGED', 'See The New UNDERWOOD Typewriter PORTABLE', 'Universal Model, \$54.50', 'Champion Model, \$64.50', 'MATADOR TRIBUNE PHONE 123'.

Advertisement for Miller & Miller Motor Freight. Includes text: 'Merry Christmas and Happy New Year TO EVERYONE', 'THE ENTIRE PERSONNEL of our business works through the year with the single purpose of rendering to this community the best service that can be achieved in our line. We are just as unanimous in wishing for you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.', 'Miller & Miller MOTOR FREIGHT', 'BONDED— Serving The Texas Panhandle —INSURED'.

Advertisement for Quannah Cotton Oil Company. Includes text: '"AND THERE WAS REJOICING ALL OVER CHRISTENDOM"', 'TRULY great things have been done since the day of days that saw the resurrection of mankind from the low and sordid elements of paganism to exalted good will and friendship brought into being by the Savior of Bethlehem.', 'Each year we have seen the spirit of the Jehovah renewed at Christmas time, the most appropriate holiday in the year for the starting out anew with a clean slate.', 'This season we desire to express our appreciation for your kind friendship through our period of business. We hope you have realized your most sanguine dreams and that your loved ones are near, and happy.', 'WE WISH Happiness and Prosperity For You and Yours During the New Year', 'QUANNAH COTTON OIL COMPANY', 'Warehouse No. 3, at Roaring Springs'.



I GIVE YOU TEXAS (By BOYCE HOUSE)

Wonder if the golden-voiced tenor is still in Nuevo Laredo? He went to Spain and sang in opera at Madrid but pined for his native land and returned to Mexico. He used to be in evidence a few years ago around the night spots in the city across the river from Laredo. We were introduced by a mutual friend and, upon request, he sang. The melody was "La Paloma" and at the first notes, the dancers quit dancing to listen. Afterward, he accepted a glass of wine.

Much has been appearing in the papers these last few weeks about freight rates that discriminate against Texas. Judge Ralph Yarborough of Austin "pioneered" in bringing this unfair situation to the attention of Texans. Away back last spring, in opening his campaign for Attorney General at Tyler, Yarborough declared: "It costs more to ship a box of manufactured goods from Texas to the North and East than it does to ship the same box of goods from the North and East to Texas.

Conversely, it costs more to ship raw materials into Texas than it does to ship them out of Texas." Is it any wonder that the industrial development of our State has been retarded?

One by one, the landmarks disappear. A narrow, dingy office building on Fort Worth's Main Street recently was renovated and, in the process, a sign that had been on one of the upper windows was removed. It marked the former offices of an oil company that was organized—with scores of others—in the midst of the high hopes of the big Desdemona boom. Hometown long since has relapsed into its ancient calm and the company passed into oblivion long, long ago but the sign lingered. Passersby who invested were reminded no doubt of what "might have been."

Olin Cooper, mechanical genius of Rising Star, has spent three years in building an "animated theatre." Forty-five thousand bits of wood (187 varieties from 27 counties) were used along with material salvaged from typewriters, threshing machines, row-

binders, baby beds and other contrivances.

The theatre is seven feet high, the same width and nearly four feet deep, inlaid with landscape pictures and embellished with carvings, scrollwork and molding. Eighty-five little electric lights flood the theatre and, when a button is pushed, the curtains slowly part, disclosing a stage with 25 little figures (including an orchestra). The entertainers play instruments, sing and dance. Cooper even composed the music that is played.

He gained fame, some years ago, with his "Twelve Apostles Clock."

Every now and then, Jefferson receives tidings of a former citizen, M. L. Baugh, who set out, years back, to see the world, taking a guitar and a pushcart along. He has walked 20,000 miles visiting 43 states, and is now on his way to New York City to attend the opening of the world's fair next June. He sleeps in the cart and earns his living by playing on the guitar.

GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY

Beauties 'Mush' to Fair



Laura Textor (left) and Bettina Norberg, who say Alaska is "the grandest place in the world," could not wait for opening of the California World's Fair next year. They "mushed" there with Trainer Bill Thompson's famous dog team and here are seen on palm-bedecked Treasure Island in San Francisco Bay.

Guest mothers attending the social were: Mesdames P. B. Barton, J. L. Moore, F. M. Jenkins, C. D. Pipkin, W. E. Reeves, J. S. Lambert, M. L. Patton, N. B. Pitts, C. W. Winn, John Smith, D. C. Keith, W. W. Moore and Chas. Morris, Mrs. Smallwood and Mrs. Vaughn. Daughters attending were: Ruth Moore, Mable Solomon, Lola Pohl, Jewel Cliett, Sibyl Timmons, Viola Keith, Bertha Jones, Lucy Ford, Ona Jameson, Mary McMahan, Martha Dell King, Josephine Hamilton, Belira Pipkin, Ethel

Jameson, Mable Jameson, Mrs. Jameson, Mrs. Purley, Mrs. ley, Thelma Durrickson, and hostesses, Mrs. C. L. Glenn, Amy Glenn and Mrs. J. L. ruff. 60,000,000 TURNSTILE CLIM Attendances at the New World's Fair 1939 will, by servative estimate, total 60,000,000 an average of 3 admissions each of 20,000,000 persons, amount to be taken in at the position's nine entrances led at \$33,000,000.

"Don't Trouble To Put Up The Gate, And Before You Go..."



The hope there is plenty of wood in your camp this Christmas, and that your loved ones are hobbled out close by where you can hear their laughter.

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Adopted Mothers Are Given Party

Attractive in detail was the lovely party given Thursday evening at 7:30 in the home of Mrs. C. L. Glenn, by the young ladies of the Methodist Church, for their adopted "Mothers". This was the eighth annual Christmas Party that the Methodist young ladies have given for their adopted mothers. They were assisted by young women of the Baptist church. The yule motif was stressed in

the program and decorations. The tree was heavily laden with gifts, and small lighted candles were used as favors of the refreshment plates.

An enjoyable social hour consisting of games and conversation followed a program which consisted of: "Welcome", Mrs. John Smith; Christmas carol, "Silent Night", led by Miss Jameson and accompanied by Miss Glenn on the old family organ. "The Nativity", Mrs. Frank Pohl; "A Christmas Story", Mrs. Henry Solomon; prayer, Mother Burleson.



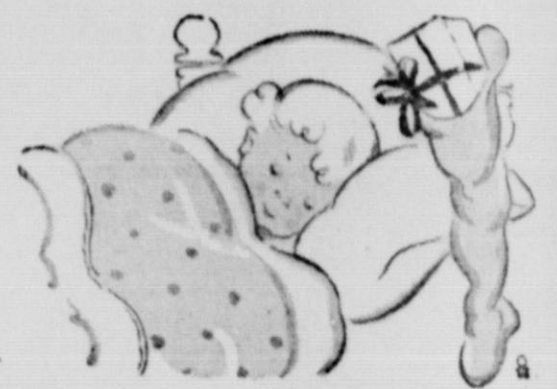
Merry Christmas

You've been hearing the greeting: "Merry Christmas" for a week or more. You've been caught up in the spirit of holiday that, once a year, gives us a rest from the hurry of business. It's the happiest season of the year.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

So at Christmas, ours is a genuine and sincere hope for your continued health, happiness, and prosperity, a hope that future years will see a further cementing of our friendship.

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