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Screwworm Control Program Booming

The Southwest Animal Health Foundation's drive to raise \$3 million to combat the screwworm menace in Texas is going great guns, reports C. G. Scruggs, acting president. By December 7, 157 counties had organized committees and the number is increasing almost daily.

He emphasized that all funds contributed to the Foundation would be used exclusively for the screwworm control program. Activities of the non-profit foundation, Scruggs pointed out, are governed by a board of trustees. With the recent addition of five prominent Texans, its membership now stands at 10. The new trustees are Alvie L. Cole, Sterling City; W. E. Crenshaw, Westlake; Dr. G. Kendrick, Marlin; Claude K. McCan, Victoria; and T. J. Richards, Paducah.

Scruggs said that five remaining vacancies will be filled in the near future, bringing the governing body to its authorized strength of 15 members. Initial board members include Dolph Briscoe Jr., Uvalde; T. A. Kincaid Jr., Ozona; C. H. Devaney, Cohoma and Marvin Bridges, Buffalo.

Here in Coleman County, the drive is in full swing. Weldon Davis, treasurer of the County Screwworm Committee, reports \$5,946.40 has been contributed. Listed below are names of contributors:

Harold Kinney, Cecil Gray, R. A. Powell, J. E. Stacy, C. D. Slate, Ralph Allen, Ben Yarborough, R. F. Crum, L. H. Lanning, Stanley Blackwell, C. A. Scarborough, Elton Jones, Burgess Stewardson, Robt. & Tom Stewardson, O. C. Yancy, Lillian Lewellen, W. T. Stewardson, J. M. Stewardson and Virgil C. Newman.

Also, W. H. Pittard, Bert Fowler, Mrs. Jess Fowler, Jack Dillingham, Arthur Casey, Leroy Curry, J. L. Boggus, J. E. Williams, M. A. Richardson, V. K. Jameson, Grace Larson, O. R. Lawlis, S. C. McKinley, Ray Jameson, Robert D. Koenig, Lee Cox, Paul Golson and C. C. Burns.

Also, S. P. Horne, Paul Cannon, Raymond McElrath, Lynn Riley, B. H. Baker, J. F. Terry, M. C. Gay, M. L. Stone, Ray McKinney, T. J. Allen, Leonard E. Jameson, J. C. Billings, Bill Sneed, Mary I. Duncan, Charles & Martha Taylor, Joe B. Smith and Celya Parker.

High School Honor Roll

Roy B. Mathews, principal, announces the following high school students as being on the honor roll for the second six weeks period:

Seniors

Louise Cooper, Sherrill James, Carl Cowan, Brian Baucom, Sue Garrett, Juanel Mercer, Sharon Stiles and Mary Ford.

Juniors

Larry Wardlow, Peggy Hawkins, Arlene Welch, Pete Simmons, Ruth Starnes, Sue Pittard, John Dillingham, Tommy Stewardson, Larry Fowler, Clayton Jackson, Sherman Stearnes and Carolyn Carpenter.

Sophomores

Leland Williams, Freddie Cullins, Glen Gilbreath, Jerry Ellis, Donnie Neff, Wanda James, Karen Jones, Frances Davenport and Edwina McCarrell.

Freshmen

Karen McClusky, Lawanda Horner, Patricia White, Barbara Baucom and Linda Robinett.

Christmas Cheer Baskets To Be Delivered Friday

The Lions Club and Santa Anna Volunteer Fire Department have again teamed together and have fixed some 75 Christmas baskets, that will be delivered to families of the needy and aged here Friday afternoon.

This is an annual joint affair with the two organizations sharing the cost of the staple and canned goods, fruits and candies contained in each box. The boxes are prepared for the number of persons in each family, ranging from one person in some cases to 12 persons in one family.

Some boxes of Christmas Cheer will also be delivered to needy families in Trickham, Rockwood, Shields and Cleveland Communities.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Williams and children have moved from Wichita Falls to San Angelo. Mrs. Williams and children are spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Key Bradley.

Vermont was the first state to be admitted to the Union after the original 13.

Mrs. Ford Barnes Completes World Tour Articles

Mrs. Leola Christie Barnes this week completes a series of articles she has been preparing for The News, describing her recent trip around the world. The series of articles have been appearing weekly since September 8th.

Although it was not planned this way, we think it is particularly fitting the articles be concluded with our annual Christmas Greeting Edition and just about one year from the time she began her long journey.

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to Mrs. Barnes for taking the many hours necessary to prepare these articles for publication. We know it has taken a lot of her time that could have been spent in any number of her other activities.

If you have enjoyed the articles we would like for you to express your appreciation directly to her. We know she has received many comments during the time the articles have been appearing in The News and she appreciates each and every one of them.

We also know a number of people have kept the articles each week and plan to put them in a scrap book for future reference.

County Livestock Show To Be Held January 15-16

The 31st annual Coleman County Livestock Show will be held at the Coleman Rodeo Grounds Monday and Tuesday, January 15-16, 1962. All animals to be exhibited in the show must be in the show barn by 2:00 p. m. Sunday, Jan. 14. A sifting committee will check each animal to be shown and any animal considered a credit to the show will be sifted.

Tom Kingsbery of Santa Anna, is general chairman of the show. Vice chairman is Max Horne and Jim Williams is secretary.

All FFA and 4-H Club members in the county are invited to participate in the show, along with adult breeders in the county. Cash prizes and ribbons will be awarded in the various classes of the 4-H and FFA divisions. Ribbons only will be awarded in the adult divisions. All entries were due to be filed at least 30 days before the date of the show.

There is no entrance charge to the exhibitors and no charge of admission will be made to the show grounds.

County Extension Agents are Ray Sims, Agent, and Travis Herring, Assistant Agent. Vocational Agriculture Teachers are: A. D. Pettit, Santa Anna; Sherwood Downey, Talpa; B. J. Joyce and Bill Hightower, Coleman; Harold Pittard, Novice and Stanley Blackwell, Mozelle.

Chairman of the 4-H and FFA divisions are: Stanley Edington and Roy England, Beef Cattle; John B. Smith, Jr. and John Hensley, Fat Swine; Jimmy Hemphill and Archie Bryson, Fat Lambs; Jake McCreary, Capons. Judging of the fat lambs will begin at 8:30 a. m. on Monday. All other judging will be on Tuesday. The annual auction sale will begin at 1:30 p. m. Tuesday.

Chairmen for the Breeding Animals are: James F. Martin, Dairy Cattle; Roy England, Beef Cattle; Clyde Tate, Sheep; and John Hensley, Breeding Swine.

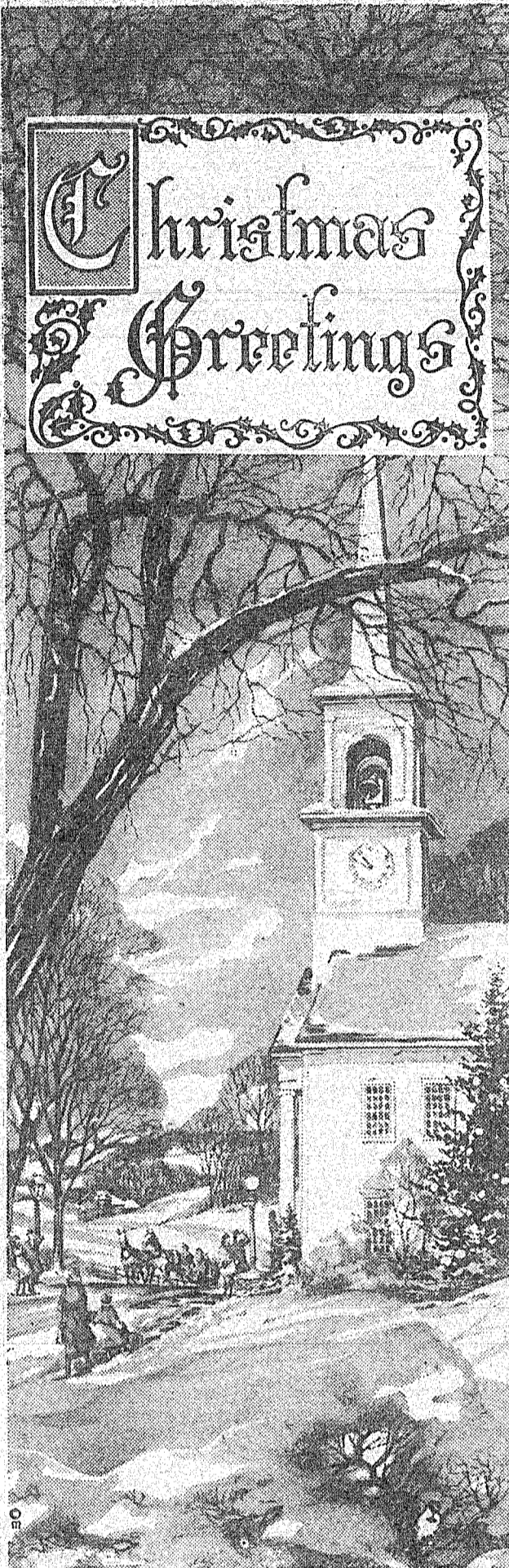
Nine special awards will be given in addition to the regular prize money and ribbons. All the Santa Anna boys who show in the local show this weekend have entered their animals in the annual county show.

RONNIE HARDY LEAVES FOR C. B. TRAINING

Ronnie Hardy of Abilene, formerly of Santa Anna, joined the C. B. Division of the Naval Reserve August 7, 1961 and departed from Abilene Sunday for two weeks training at San Diego, Calif.

The C. B.'s is the construction group of the U. S. Navy.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ashmore and their daughter, Mrs. Maudie K. Carroll of Abilene and his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Ashmore of Eldorado, returned Thursday of last week from an 11-day visit with a brother, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Ashmore, in Los Angeles, Calif.



Local Stock Show To Be Held Friday

The annual Santa Anna FFA and 4-H Club Livestock Show will be staged at the Livestock Show Barn Friday, Dec. 22, with a large number of students of the Santa Anna Schools taking part in the show.

Only students of the Santa Anna Schools are permitted to participate in this local show. FFA and 4-H Club members from over the county will participate in the annual Coleman County Show, to be held at the Rodeo Grounds in Coleman January 15 and 16.

A. D. Pettit, chairman of the local show, said there would be five classes of fat lambs and about 125 lambs will be shown in all classes. Champion and Reserve Champion lambs will be selected in the fine wool and medium wool divisions. C. T. Parker of Ballinger, County Agent of Runnels County, will act as judge for the entire show. Also to be entered will be about 12 head of swines and a few head of capons.

Most of Friday morning will be spent by the contestants readying their animals for judging. Judging is due to begin at 2:00 p. m. and should be completed in about two hours.

Everyone is invited to be at the Show Barn during the afternoon hours to watch the judging.

Rash of Accidents Here During Past Weekend

Four auto accidents were reported to the authorities during the weekend. No deaths resulted from the accidents and apparently no serious injuries. However most vehicles involved suffered heavy damage.

Just past midnight Friday night Lester N. Bowman was traveling west on Highway 67 and attempting to make a left turn onto the Rockwood Highway. Wilburn F. Stull of Odessa attempted to pass Bowman just as he started to make his turn. Both vehicles suffered heavy damage and Bowman was later admitted to the hospital for apparent minor injuries.

Charges were filed on both drivers. Bowman was charged with failure to signal and Stull was charged with passing in an intersection. The accident was investigated by the Highway Patrol.

At 2:15 a. m. Sunday Jewell E. Washburn of Big Spring was traveling east on Highway 67 about 4½ miles west of Santa Anna during the heavy rain storm. He said he was blinded by an approaching car, applied his brakes and hit a culver and turned his 1957 Chevrolet over into the ditch. He was not injured and no charges were filed. Investigation was by the Sheriff's Department.

About 11:15 a. m. Sunday Mrs. Milford Harris, driving a 1955 Chevrolet, was returning to her home. Nathan Robinett of Hico attempted to pass her just as she started making a left hand turn and the cars collided and drug sides. Both cars were damaged heavily. Robinett was driving a late model Rambler.

The accident is still under investigation by the Sheriff's Department.

About 6:15 p. m. Sunday Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Barnett, Jr. were traveling east on Farm Road 11-76 four miles south of town and collided with three head of cows. The Barnetts were in their 1956 Oldsmobile. They did not suffer any injuries, but the car suffered heavy damage.

One of the cows, belonging to Mrs. M. F. Blanton, was killed and the other two injured.

Change in Time At Presbyterian Church for Sunday

A change in the regular time schedule has been announced for the services at the Presbyterian Church for the Christmas Eve services only. The services will begin at 10:00 a. m.

First order on the program will be a Carol service, followed by the regular message by Dr. Ben H. Moore, pastor.

Saint Francis of Assisi is known as the father of Christmas caroling, according to the World Book Encyclopedia.

\$240 in Prizes To Be Awarded Saturday, Dec. 23

The Santa Anna Merchants Christmas Program and several local merchants will combine efforts this Saturday and a total of \$240.00 in gift certificates and merchandise coupons will be awarded. The program will be held three times during the day.

The first program will be held at 10:00 a. m. when seven \$5.00 awards will be made. The second program will be held at 2:00 p. m. when seven more \$5.00 awards will be made. The final program for the season will be held at 4:00 p. m. when \$170.00 in merchandise coupons will be awarded. None of the prizes will be carried over from any of the above programs. Names will be called until all the prizes are awarded.

Two of the 12 names called the past Saturday were not present and these certificates were carried over to the last day. Names called were: Mrs. K. C. Durden for \$25.00 on a Piggly Wiggly ticket; Lera Guthrie for \$20.00 on a G & E Hardware ticket; L. J. Clark for \$10.00 on a Harvey Grocery ticket; Jewell Clifton for \$10.00 on a Harvey Grocery ticket; Reyes Diaz for \$10.00 on a Piggly Wiggly ticket; Margie F. Fleming for \$10.00 on a Hosh Grocery ticket (not present); Mrs. C. L. Boardman for \$10.00 on a ticket from Talley Service Station; Mrs. B. K. Riggs on a ticket from Phillips Drug; E. M. Hickman for \$10.00 on a ticket from Phillips Drug; Mrs. Ben W. Yarborough for \$10.00 on a ticket from Piggly Wiggly; Pascal Hosh for \$10.00 on a ticket from G & E Hardware (not present); and Domingo Diaz for \$10.00 on a ticket from Hosh Grocery.

Leroy Curry Enters Race for County Commissioner

Leroy Curry this week authorized The News to announce that he is a candidate for the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 2, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries in the summer. Mr. Curry said he would have a statement for publication soon after the first of the year.

He is a native of the Buffalo Community and has been employed by Precinct No. 2 for 2½ years. He resigned his job last week to seek the office.

Christmas Play at North Side Baptist Church Sun. Night

A Christmas play will be presented by the youth of the North Side Baptist Church Sunday evening, beginning at 8:00 p. m. The program is scheduled to be about one hour long, and is directed by Mr. and Mrs. A. D. (Cotton) Bowen.

The church extends a cordial invitation to everyone to be present for the program. The other regular services have been dismissed for the evening.

Happy Birthday

"Happy Birthday" to all who have birthdays during the next week. Below are listed the birthdays we have this week.

DECEMBER 22

Velda Cullins
Robin Nita Smith
Garland Morgan
Billy Campbell
Blake Williams
Mrs. J. T. Avants
Mrs. F. Z. Payne, Sr.

DECEMBER 23

A. E. McCarrell
Mrs. Dick Bass

DECEMBER 25

Tom Todd

DECEMBER 26

Floyd Morris
Danny Tucker

DECEMBER 27

Allyn Gill
Sandra Hartman
Roland Curry
Mrs. Pleas Williamson

DECEMBER 28

E. E. McClintock
Blanche Boyd
Mrs. Gertrude Martin
Linda Rae Riley, Austin
Mrs. Billie Gregg

Would you like for your name to be published on your birthday? If so, please be sure to let us know when it is. Next week we will publish names of those having birthdays between December 29th and January 4th.

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State Capitol NEWS

Austin — Announcement that John B. Connally was resigning his post as U. S. Secretary of the Navy to run for governor caused a bit of confusion and conjecture in the Capital City.

Attorney General Will Wilson, also an announced contender, referred to Connally's candidacy as "a Washington fairytale." He recalled his October 9 prediction that Connally would run with Governor Price Daniel's blessing. Wilson doesn't believe Daniel will now bid for a fourth term. Governor Daniel says he ap-

preciates Connally's courtesy in advising him of his decision before making it public. He told Connally he would extend the same courtesy, "when my decision is made." Daniel says, "He (Connally) is an able man and my high regard for him will continue even though we end up as candidates for the same office."

Senator Ralph Yarborough, also mentioned as a possible candidate, says he won't make a decision "until after Congress convenes January 10."

Houstonian Don Yarborough has a lot of liberal encouragement to run for governor, but may run as lieutenant governor.

Already in the Governor's race is Marshall Formby of Plainview. Nearly 600 paid \$12.50 each to hear Republican gubernatorial candidate Jack Cox and Republican Senator John Tower at a dinner in Austin's Municipal Auditorium.

TOURIST COUNCIL READY
The 22-member executive committee of the proposed Texas Tourist Council has drafted a bill for advertising funds.

Chairman W. Price Jr. says the bill will be introduced at the January 3 special session of the Texas Legislature... providing Governor Daniel enlarges the scope of the session to encompass more than escheat legislation.

Tourist bill calls for \$300,000 in state money from the General Revenue Fund. Council will attempt to raise \$200,000 in contributions to complement the program.

Harold Robbins of San Antonio was named chairman of the con-

stitution and by-laws committee. Others on the committee include Rep. Joe Ratcliff of Dallas; Callan Graham and H. C. Pittman of Austin and J. W. Burton of Decatur.

Steve Matthews of Austin will head an organization and nominations committee which includes Scott Hardy of San Antonio, John Ben Shepard of Odessa, J. A. Jameson and Charles Simons of Dallas, Ed St. John of Austin and Bob Conwell of Corpus Christi.

Price and Tom Taylor, Highway Department Travel Director, will serve as consultants to both committees.

LEGISLATIVE LIST GROWS
Texas Legislative Council is considering the report of its Small Loan Study Committee, and Wil Wilson still insists "Loan Shark" Legislation should be on special session agenda.

Other groups are pushing for consideration of farm-to-market road appropriation in January.

Texas Youth Council has a few matters it would like the Legislature to consider. They are: the problem of extending the state juvenile parole program; a discretionary bill for revision of court procedure on juvenile offenders; and an interstate compact regarding parolee exchange.

Rep. Charles Ballman of Borden says he plans to move for immediate adjournment of the special session, I plan to introduce a resolution the first day of the session, calling for an adjournment on the second day," chairman of the House Revenue and Taxation committee says.

EMPLOYMENT UP
Total employment in Texas hit an all-time high in October, according to the Texas Employment Commission. By mid-month, 3,494,100 Texans were employed.

Increase was largely due to heavy agricultural activity. Seasonal farm employment rose to an estimated 280,600 workers, with cotton activities accounting for 66 percent of this total.

Although 4.4 percent of the total labor force was jobless, the unemployment situation was more favorable than at any time since April, 1960.

People having most job troubles continue to be those who are unskilled.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE RULING

In answer to an inquiry from Lubbock County Attorney Alton R. Griffin, the Attorney General ruled that while a child over 16 years of age is not required to attend school whether he has completed 9th grade or not, a child under 16 who has com-

pleted the 9th grade is subject to the compulsory school attendance law, even if his services are needed for the support of his parents.

POPULATION CHANGES
Population estimates prepared by the Population Research Center at the University of Texas reveal that 94 of the 143 counties which lost population between 1950 and 1960 registered an increase during 1960-61.

Forty-nine counties continue to lose population.

Research Center figures only 66 counties lost population between 1960 and 1961, as compared with the 143 during the previous decade.

A geographical pattern indicates that counties which have grown in the past 11 years are concentrated in the Gulf Coast region, the Northwest and in a belt running from Cooke and Grayson counties on the North Central Texas border to Travis and then curving southwest toward Maverick.

Counties with 11 year loss are scattered, but tend to be concentrated in a wide belt running from southeast to northwest in the center of the state.

HEALTH, WEALTH CONSULTANTS

Governor Daniel named six appointees to an advisory committee on a study of state health and welfare services to be conducted by the Legislative Council.

Appointees are Dr. W. C. Smith of Carthage; Dr. C. M. Phillips of Levelland; Eldred Thomas of Dallas, president of the Texas Nursing Home Association; Mrs. Louise Evans Bruce, editorial page editor of the Amarillo Globe-News; Roderic M. Bell, administrator of Presbyterian Hospital in Dallas; and V. H. Hackney, president of the Marshall National Bank.

Dr. J. B. Copeland of San Antonio was re-elected chairman of the State Board of Health.

Dr. Hampton Robison of Corpus Christi and Joe B. Winston of Mercedes were re-elected to respective posts of vice-chairman and secretary of the health

board.

SHORT SNORTS
Many Texans are urging that the National Legislative Conference hold its 1964 meeting in Texas. Executive committee members include Speaker James A. Turman met this week to discuss 1962 agenda for Phoenix, Arizona meeting. Hawaii will be the site of the 1963 session.

Everett J. Grindstaff of Ballinger has been appointed to the board of the Upper Colorado River Authority.

Malcolm L. Quick of Austin, Irwin R. Salmanson of El Paso, and Felix Salazar Jr. of Houston have been named Assistant Attorneys General.

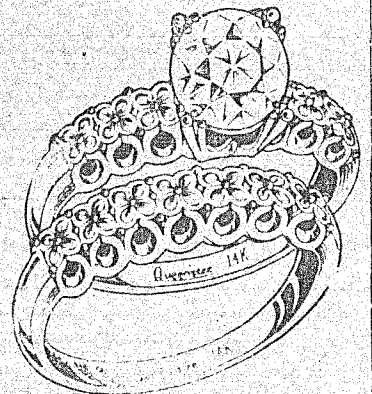
Acting District Attorney Gail

Walley of Beaumont has asked the Attorney General's office to hold a court of inquiry concerning the empaneling of a grand jury by Criminal District Judge Owen Lord.

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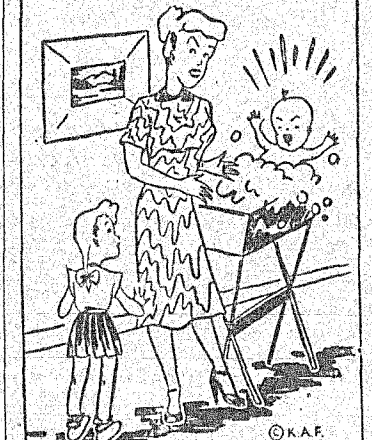
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About Your Health

Light from a single window breaks the dark expanse of a five-story building. Inside the room is a research scientist pouring over a pile of notes, trying to piece together bits of evidence which could possibly lead to a significant breakthrough in the battle against cancer.

Miles away in a small town, a secretary unlocks the door of the local health department and starts filling out requisitions for needed supplies. She is no scientist and the researcher hates the trivialities of order forms.

Yet both of these people have much in common. They are both engaged in a health career.

In the growing competition among industry, the professions, education, government service, welfare and the health services for skilled, competent personnel, a career dedicated to serving fellow man through the health services can be rewarding both career-wise and personally.

Health careers include callings that care for the ill and the injured; and they include callings that help to prevent illness — prevention.

Training varies from about a high school education for some workers in a hospital to more than eight years of college for a physician.

The entire spectrum of working talents are offered in health fields including biologists, food service workers, housekeepers, statistical clerks, machinists, administrators, engineers, writers, artists, chemists and photographers. The list goes on and on.

However, high standards are demanded regardless of the precise job performed. Many Texas colleges and universities offer courses designed to train students for the various health careers.

The health sciences are just beginning to enter on a new threshold of achievement. Atomic medicine is providing better diagnosis and treatment of such ills as cancer and thyroid diseases and epidemiology procedures in public health are solving more and more communicable disease problems.

High school students should consider a health career seriously. (A weekly feature from Public Health Education, Texas State Department of Health.)

WEATHERFORD WALLS BULLET SCARRED

A double log cabin stands at Holland's Lake just a few miles east of Weatherford, Texas, west of Fort Worth.

Its east room is where George McCleskey was killed by Indians in 1873. This room still contains its bullet-scarred walls.

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Rockwood News

By MRS. JOHN C. HUNTER

Mr. and Mrs. Drury Estes announce the birth of another great-granddaughter, Karen Elizabeth, born to Mr. and Mrs. Coy Estes November 21, weighing 6 pounds at birth. Mr. and Mrs. Estes have a four year old son and live in Ontario, Calif. The grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Estes and Mrs. Mankins, former Rockwood residents, also live in Ontario.

Oran Billings of Dallas visited Wednesday and Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Billings. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Childs and daughter of Coleman visited Saturday afternoon. Sunday dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Clark of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Jack McSwane and Stanley.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilary Rutherford and Rocky of Brownwood visited Saturday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Heilman. Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Heilman of Coleman spent Saturday night and Sunday.

Dillard Ellis spent Saturday and Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Dena Ellis, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dock Ellis at Colorado City. He reports his mother isn't doing very well.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bryan and Serena are driving a new car.

George Green of Santa Anna visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. Boss Estes, Douglas and Mike. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bowers, Cora and Miss Belle Bowers of Coleman and Sam Estes visited Sunday afternoon.

The Estes family visited last week in Lubbock with Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Reeves and family and with Mrs. J. N. Hester, who recently had major surgery.

Mrs. Uless Maness, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Maness of Brownwood visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Steward. Mrs. Maness recently spent two weeks with her sister, Mrs. Lula Stobaugh at Lorenzo.

Miss Ludy Jane Crutcher spent last Tuesday night in Coleman with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hodges and children.

Mrs. Jack Cooper was admitted to the Brady hospital last Thursday.

Mrs. Marcus Johnson visited Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Kate McIlvain.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Briscoe and children of Waldrip spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hunter and Don.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sheffield and Mike of Midland were here this weekend in the Jack Cooper home and to be with her mother in the Brady hospital.

Miss LaQuinn Cooper, a student at Tarleton State College, Stephenville, is home for the Holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Boss Estes and Douglas visited Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. J. O. Chaffin, who is recuperating from a recent heart attack, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jack Rutherford in Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Estes and Kelley of Sweetwater spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Hyatt Moore and Mrs. Rosa Belle Heilman. Mrs. Boss Estes visited Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Bray and girls of Lohn spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Byran.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon McMillan were Saturday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Brock in Coleman.

Visiting Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Mena Shuford were Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Heilman, Mrs. A. L. Crutcher and Ludy Jane.

Mrs. Winifred Stark of Brownwood spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bryan.

The Rev. Bruce Hornell brought a Christmas message at the morning worship service at the Methodist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Fox Johnson, the Rev. Mr. Hornell were dinner

guests with Miss Bernice Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. DeRusha visited Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Brusenhan.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. King were in Coleman and Santa Anna shopping Saturday.

Wess Wise, a student in a medical school in Dallas, is home for the Holidays. Miss Mary Rehm, a student in Tarleton College at Stephenville is home for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Rehm and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Ross and girls of Brownwood visited the Johnny Stewards Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ashmore of Eldorado came by Sunday and Mr. and Mrs. F. E. McCreary accompanied them to Brownwood to visit Mr. and Mrs. Lester Ingram.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Smith visited Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Gunn in Brownwood Sunday afternoon. They took Mrs. Dora White of Santa Anna to visit a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Caldwell recently spent the night in Coleman with his sister, Mrs. Mae Hagler.

The Rev. David Morrison preached at the Baptist Church at the morning services. The Young People presented a Cantata and gifts were distributed at the evening service.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Day and children of Coleman were Sunday dinner guests with Mr. and Mrs. Leffel Estes, Geneva and Bruce. Mr. and Mrs. Boss Estes were afternoon visitors.

Sony Steward, a student in Tarleton College, is home for the holidays.

We wish for each of our readers the very Happiest Christmas ever. Thanks for all of the subscriptions.

Whon News

By MRS. TOM RUTHERFORD

In the beginning of this week's letter let me wish for every one of you a Very Happy and Merry Christmas. Seems to me it has not been so very long back since I was sending you my Christmas Greetings in this manner. But I have written 50 news letters since, and here we are at the Christmas Season again.

We have many much older people than we who make the remark "the older you get the faster the years will pass." We don't want to be too old, but time is really passing. Life will soon be gone for so many, and I am sure you are like myself. Take an inventory quite often and wonder what we have done to help someone along life's way.

I am sure so many of our readers are like myself. Another year has passed which in a way seems so short. Then during this year, things that have not been pleasant have come our way, which seems passed so long ago, when we check back has happened during the year of 19-61.

It is only with this thought in mind I donate so much of my time trying to collect a little news each week from our little community. Just maybe some one, somewhere will enjoy our few little articles each week. To every one who helps in any way, let me say to you a big thank you, and again from our house to your house a Merry, Merry Christmas.

We are glad to report Darwin Lovelady was released from the Coleman Hospital Saturday after a weeks stay, and is feeling very well. But he will be kind of quite and close for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. John David Morris of Grand Prairie spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Morris.

Mrs. Bert Turney spent Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Rex Turney and children in Santa Anna. Mark Turney returned home with her for the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rutherford

and Lynda Sue spent Sunday in Odessa with our daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Lambert Abernathy of Millersvlew spent Sunday afternoon with their son, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Abernathy and children.

Tom Rutherford was a dinner guest Friday with his son, Mr. and Mrs. Hilary Rutherford and Rocky in Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cozart visited one morning the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Turney.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Morris visited in the Darwin Lovelady home Sunday afternoon.

Troy Avants and son, Lanton, of Coleman visited briefly the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Turney.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright of Brady visited during the past week with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Graham Fitzpatrick and children.

Shields News

By MRS. E. S. JONES

Local college students: Ann Stewardson, Sandra Fowler, Donald Williams, Tommy Watson and Jackie Dillingham, are all spending the holidays with their respective families.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Shamblin and children of Fort Worth spent Thursday night with the Otis Bivins.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Eppler of Comanche visited his brother, E. R. Eppler, during the weekend.

Mr. Charles Wright of Blanket visited Mr. Richard Dillingham Saturday.

Guests of the Bert Fowler family Sunday were: Rhinard Troup of Michigan, Duke Jung and Byung-Chun Huh of Seoul, Korea, all students in Abilene Christian College.

Mrs. Mollie Dillingham of Albany spent the weekend with Mrs. E. S. Jones and Mrs. Ura Dillingham.

A large crowd attended the annual Christmas supper Saturday, Dec. 16. Visitors were Mr. and Mrs. David Zirkle, Dwight and Don of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Eppler of Comanche, Mr. Lewis Newman of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Woodard of Santa Anna and Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Watson of Coleman.

Mrs. Kahler Wheatley of Kerrville visited Wednesday with the Otis Bivins family and Mrs. Ura Dillingham.

Mrs. Aikens and son, J. C., of Melvin, spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. Jack Dillingham and family.

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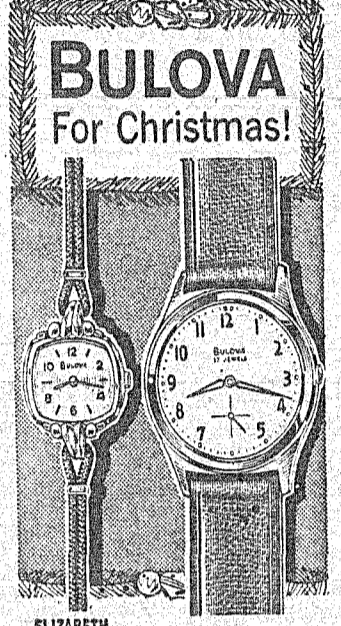
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NOTICE OF ELECTION

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF COLEMAN
TO THE RESIDENT QUALIFIED VOTERS OF COLEMAN COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. ONE, IN COLEMAN COUNTY, TEXAS:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held in The Coleman County Water Control and Improvement District No. One on the ninth day of January, 1962, at the Office Building and Community House in the town of Trickham in said District in Coleman County, Texas, for the purpose of electing three directors for the Coleman County Water Control and Improvement District No. One, said election being called by order of the Directors of the Coleman County Water Control and Improvement District No. One of Coleman County, Texas, by order dated the 13th day of November, 1961. Said polls to be open at 8:00 o'clock A. M. and close at 7:00 o'clock P. M. The three directors elected shall serve for two years. The Judge of Election shall be Bond Featherston.

s/E. R. CUPPS
E. R. Cupps, President of Directors of Coleman County Water Control and Improvement District No. One.
s/J. H. MARTIN
J. H. Martin, Secretary, Board of Directors of Coleman County Water Control and Improvement District No. One. 51-1c.

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Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll, a stroller, a watch that really ticks and lots of packages. I have been a good girl.
Kelly Cammack

Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a set of guns and a big filling station. And don't forget my three sisters, and mother and daddy.
Love,
James Rushing

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a Honey Bun doll and nurse kit. Santa don't forget my little brother and two sisters. I love you Santa.
Love,
Naomi Rushing

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a gun, a rifle, cowboy hat with a secret gun. Don't forget my brother Phil. He wants a bicycle. Don't forget all the other little children too.
I love you.
Love,
David Huggins

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is David Yancy. I would like to have a football and a road grader.
Your friend,
David Yancy

Dec. 15, 1961
Santa Anna, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Debbie Fae Bowker and I want a Tiny Tears doll. I have been a good girl. Please bring me a surprise package. My name is Scottie Bowker and I want a fire truck and an Indian suit. I was a good boy. Remember the other good boys and girls with some toys. We love you.
Debbie and Scott Bowker

Santa Anna, Texas
Ave. B, 1105

Dear Santa Claus,
Would you please bring me a big fire truck that I can ride and a boat. Bring Tammy a baby doll and something else for her to play with. I have tried to be a good boy but at times it has

been hard.
Remember all the other boys and girls.
Love,
Timmy and Tammy Bengel

Dear Santa,
Here I am writing for my brother and me. I want a football and Gilbert wants a plane and truck.
Love,
Robert Diaz

Attendance At Church Services

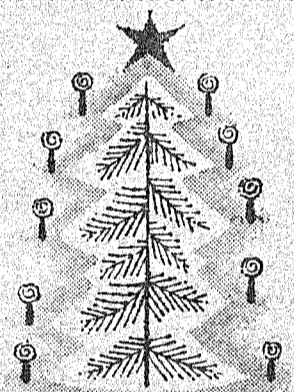
Reports of attendance at local churches during the weekend are as follows:

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Bible Classes (9:30) 65
Morning Worship (10:20) 78
Evening Worship (6:30) 69

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Sunday School (9:45) 150
Morning Worship (11:00) 121
Evening Worship (6:00) 154
Training Union (7:00) 37
Messages for Sunday, Dec. 24, Morning: "The Names of God's Son," Isa. 7:14; Isa. 9:6; Matt. 1:21-25. Evening, "The Gift of Giving," Matt. 7:11. Beginning Sunday evening the change in services will begin, with the worship service to be held at 6:00 p. m. and the Training Union at 7:00 p. m.

20TH CENTURY CLUB CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON
The 20th Century Club enjoyed a bountiful Christmas Luncheon in the home of Mrs. Nora Goen Thursday, Dec. 14. After being inactive for several months, those present enjoyed being together again. Conversation, the bountiful dinner and gift exchange furnished entertainment for the eight members present and Mrs. Joan Densman and baby as visitors.

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Deputy Pays Visit To Local Chapter Monday Night

The regular meeting of the Santa Anna Eastern Star Chapter was held Monday evening, Dec. 18, in the Masonic Hall. Mrs. Viona West, W. M. and A. D. Donham, W. P. presided with all 18 officers present. Mr. Donham led the group in giving the Pledge of Allegiance.

After the regular business meeting was closed, Mrs. Ethel Dickenson, Deputy Grand Matron of District 3, Section 5, brought the Worthy Grand Matron's instructions. Her theme,

"Look for the Beautiful in Others that they may see it in us." After the Chapter closed the group met in the Fellowship Hall for their regular Christmas Party.

A tall silver Christmas Tree, decorated in blue, was the center of attraction. Each table held an arrangement of poinsettias and greenery. Other decorations were candles and musical church.

The table was laid with lace cloth over white. The center arrangement was of deer greenery and red candles.

Mrs. Alice L. Walker, Mrs. Myrtle Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. Montie Guthrie served cranberry punch from a silver service.

Other refreshments were party sandwiches, white bell-shaped cakes, bell-shaped mints and date loaf.

The chapter room was decorated similar to the Fellowship Hall. On the secretary's desk was a modonna arrangement of greenery, pink and red camellias, sent Mrs. Herndon from Alabama by her sister. This was flanked by a white candle arrangement and red bells.

Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Beaman of the Indian Creek Chapter. Decorations were arranged by Mrs. Alice L. Walker, Mrs. Blanche Grantham and Mrs. Viona West.

Shields Gladhand Class Party

Mrs. Leonard Williams and Mrs. H. C. McClure were hostesses when the Gladhand Class of the Shields Baptist Church met Monday afternoon at the Community Center for their annual Christmas Party. Mrs. Edgar Shelton directed the program.

Opening prayer was given by Mrs. Otis Bivins and the devotional was given by Mrs. Geo. Cobb. "The Christmas Story" from the Second Chapter of Luke and a Bible quiz based on the First Chapter of Luke were conducted by Mrs. Glen Scarborough. Mrs. Shelton conducted a quiz on the second chapter of Luke.

The book, "Leaves of Gold," was presented the teacher, Mrs. Geo. Cobb. A donation of \$15.00 by the Class was sent to the Coleman Christmas Cheer Fund.

Visitors were Mrs. Otis Bivins, Mrs. Ura Dillingham, Mrs. Bill McClellan and daughter, Jene and Miss Theola Stewardson.

Members, other than the above-mentioned were: Mrs. George Stewardson, Mrs. Herman Gilbreath, Mrs. Elton Jones, Mrs. Ted Stewardson, Mrs. Bill Price and Mrs. E. S. Jones.

T. E. L. Class Has Christmas Party

The T. E. L. Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met in the church annex Friday afternoon for their annual Christmas Party and gift exchange.

The program opened with the 17 members present singing Christmas Carols. Gifts were then exchanged from the decorated tree. Boxes of gifts were then packed for shut-in members of the class.

Refreshments of chicken salad sandwiches, pickles, ribbon Jell-o, potato chips and fruit cake were served.

Mrs. Cody Mathews Honors Sunday School Class Saturday

Mrs. Cody Mathews honored her mother, Mrs. W. E. Wallace, with a Christmas Party Saturday afternoon for the members of her Sunday School Class, the former Loyalty Class of the First Baptist Church.

Mrs. Mathews read the story of the Birth of Christ. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Seth Risinger. In the social period that followed each member present told about her first Christmas after their marriage.

Refreshments of fruit cake and punch were served Mrs. Risinger, Mrs. Maud Smith, Mrs. B. Smith, Mrs. C. F. Yancy, Mrs. Lula Bilbrey, Mrs. W. E. Wallace, Mrs. W. A. Brandon, Mrs. J. J.

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PEACHES - Hunt's	Large No. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ can	25c
COFFEE - Folger's Instant	Large 6-oz. jar	79c
SWEET POTATOES	Large 1-lb., 7-oz. can	27c
BEANS - Del Monte, Cut Green	2 303 cans	45c
CELERY - Large, Crisp, Green Stalk		15c
ORANGES - Texas, Full-o-Juice	Lb.	10c
CHICKEN HENS - Large Fat	Lb.	39c
SAUSAGE - Pure Pork	Lb.	45c
PICNICS - Ready to Eat	3 lb. can	2.19
HAMS - Cured, Whole or Half	Lb.	45c

HOSCH GROCERY

Gregg, Mrs. Ollie Raymer and the hostess, Mrs. Mathews.

Rockwood Clubs Hold Joint Party In Community Center

The Rockwood Home Demonstration Club and the Quilting Club held their annual Yule Party at the Rockwood Community Center, Wednesday afternoon, with Mrs. Bill Bryan and

Mrs. Henry Smith as hostesses.

The group sang Christmas Carols with Mrs. Bill Bryan at the piano and Mrs. Johnny Steward as song leader. Mrs. F. E. McCreary brought the Christmas Story from Luke and Miss Bernice Johnson gave the prayer. Mrs. Marcus Johnson directed recreation. Gifts were exchanged from a lighted cedar Christmas tree.

Open faced sandwiches, decorated cupcakes and cookies, coffee and hot chocolate were served to Mmes. Jack Cooper, Sherman Heilman, Johnny Steward, F. E. McCreary, Era Blackwell, John Hunter, Ray Caldwell, Aubrey McSwain, A. L. King, Bill Bryan, Marcus Johnson, Henry Smith, Tom Bryan, M. D. Bryan, Miss Bernice Johnson and Serena Bryan and Brenda Blackwell.

Carbon paper and sales pads at the News office.

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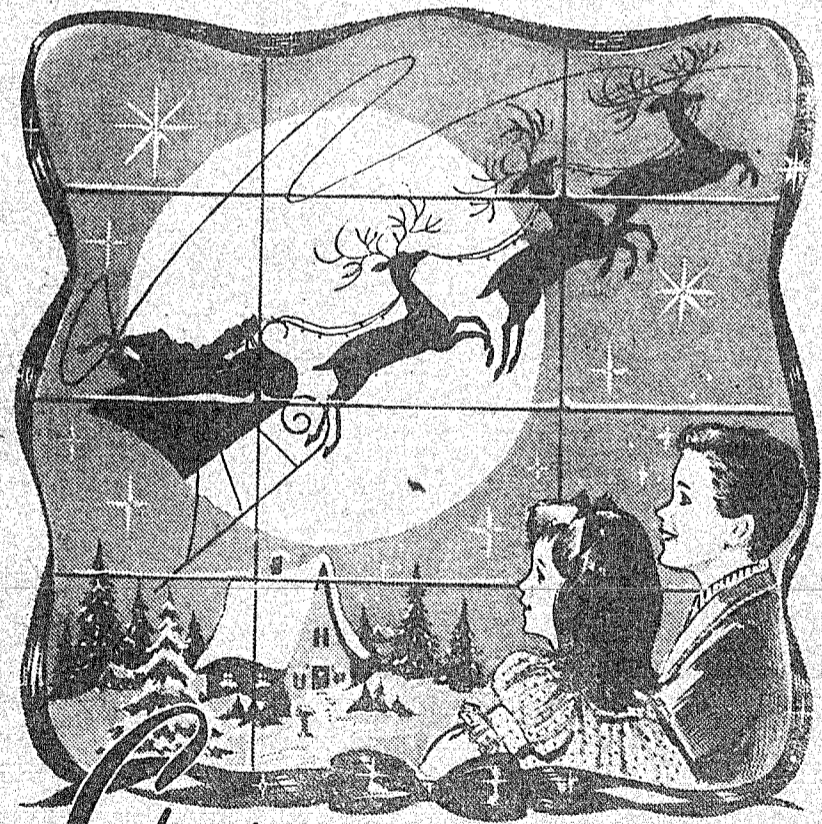
SEASON'S BEST

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Christmas is here again and to all our friends we wish a Holiday filled with great joy and good health.

Santa Anna Hospital

AND STAFF

Trickham News

By Mrs. J. E. York
Telephone 2-3250

There will be a little program and Christmas tree at the Trickham Church next Sunday night. All of you in the community are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady McIver and Terry were dinner guests of Rankin and Sherrie McIver and Mrs. Minnie Craig Sunday. Afternoon visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Bernice McIver and Rev. Jaynes and wife.

Our community was saddened to hear of the death of Miss Margaret Woods, who passed away in a Brownwood hospital on Sunday and who's burial was in the Trickham Cemetery Monday. Margaret was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Woods and granddaughter of Mrs. Lea Decery. Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family.

Visitors with Mrs. Beula Kingston the past week were Captain Billy Shields and family of Arkansas, Mrs. Mary Boenicke, Mrs. Carrie McClatchey, Mrs. Clara James and Mrs. Iris Williams.

Mrs. Lula Hancock of Zephyr visited her mother, Mrs. Zona Stacy, over the weekend. They along with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stacy attended funeral services held for Mrs. Ira Bailey in Winters Sunday afternoon.

Donnie York visited with Darrell and Billy James Sunday afternoon.

Recent visitors in my home have been Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Cole, Mrs. Clara Cupps and Mrs. Annie Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Head of Brownwood and Mrs. Ila Koch.

Captain R. W. Shields, wife and two children of Little Rock Air Force Base in Little Rock, Arkansas, spent Friday with his aunt, Mrs. O. R. Boenicke and Mr. Boenicke.

Niwot News

By THE NIWOT KIDS

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hibbetts, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Baugh, Mrs. William Cupps, Mrs. Tennie Campbell, Mrs. Margaret Campbell attended the funeral services for Mrs. Ary Bailey, a sister of the late Mrs. Lee Baugh, at Winters Sunday.

Mrs. Beula Fleming, Mrs. Verdine Raspberry and Phyllis visited Mrs. Charlie Fleming Saturday afternoon.

Visitors Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ellis were Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wells of Loraine.

Dana Evans spent the weekend with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Haynes. Kippy Clifton was a dinner guest Sunday.

Mrs. Jewell Clifton, Kip and Judy and Mrs. Ilene Haynes visited Mrs. Sandy Clifton Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bible and baby spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Dick Baugh and Nancy.

Mr. and Mrs. John Naron and children visited Friday in Brownwood with Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Earp.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Haynes visited Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. John Haynes.

Mrs. Jewell Clifton visited with Mr. and Mrs. Leon Day and baby and Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Clifton Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ellis visited Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Ellis and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Perry called on Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Moore Sunday afternoon.

We will be open 1:30 to 5:30 p. m. Sunday afternoon. Phillips Drug.

Christmas Observed By Exchanging Gifts

It all started with gold and frankincense and myrrh...

Since the time of the three wise men, Christians have celebrated the birth of Jesus Christ by exchanging gifts. But the exotic fragrances have disappeared and the wise men have been almost crowded out of the Nativity scene.

In many European countries, reports World Book Encyclopedia gifts are believed to come from Saint Nicholas. This kindly bishop lived in Asia Minor in the A. D. 300's and became famous for his generosity. Children receive toys and sweets on December 6, his feast day.

Americans added a bit of fur, a reindeer-driven sleigh and a few extra pounds to the saint to create Santa Claus. His name comes from the mispronunciation of the name which Dutch settlers in New York called the saint.

In Italy it's La Befana, a kind of aging fairy queen, who comes down the chimney, and in France the bearer of gifts is the Christ Child Himself, known as the Petit Noel.

Children in South America, however, still wait for the three wise men. And to compensate them for their long journey from the East, they leave water and hay on the doorstep for the wise men's camels.

GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY.

"Drive Lighted and Live" Campaign Again This Year

Governor Price Daniel said today that every law enforcement agency and citizen-support group for traffic safety has been asked to join in one of the State's biggest safety campaigns during the Christmas-New Year's holiday.

Daniel said Texas radio and T-V stations, under official sponsorship of the Texas Association of Broadcasters, will again carry out their "Drive Lighted and Live" campaign. They will urge all Texas motorists on the highways to drive with their headlights burning during daylight hours as a reminder to drive safely and legally.

Members of the Outdoor Advertising Association of Texas and other poster advertising companies have provided nearly 700 big highway posters for the holiday period. The signs will carry a familiar message from the Governor, saying "Don't Let a Collision Spoil Your Holiday." The companies made the space available and bore the expense of installing the posters.

The Governor said that while the official Department of Public Safety estimate of 88 traffic deaths during the 10-day holiday was the lowest since 1950 for such a period, "we are face-to-face with another official estimate of about 2,280 traffic deaths for the entire year." This is about 25 more than the total of 2,254 in 1960.

Daniel said these predicted deaths can be greatly reduced "if the people will cooperate as well as during the last Labor Day traffic safety campaign, when the official DPS estimate of 30 deaths was reduced to an actual toll of 19, a 27% reduction."

The Governor expressed the hope that "we can reduce Christmas-New Year's traffic fatalities just as we reduced them over Labor Day. If we can repeat this same achievement, then the Christmas death toll will be about 55 instead of 88. Let us do everything possible to bring this about."

Several thousand letters went to district and county attorneys, sheriffs and chiefs of police, superintendents and principals of Texas schools, chairmen of local safety councils, officials and members of the Texas Safety Association, the State's pioneer citizen-support organization for safety, and members of the Governor's Highway Safety Commission.

In addition, special information on the holiday campaign went to all Texas daily and weekly newspapers, radio and TV stations, and religious and college publications.

The Governor expressed official appreciation for the vast support the campaign is already receiving. Hundreds of Texas churches gave special emphasis to "Safety Sunday" on Dec. 10, proclaimed by the Governor as the opening of the holiday traffic safety campaign. Theme of the day was the religious and moral responsibility of each driver for avoiding traffic crashes and for the safety of passengers in his car and pedestrians along the roads and streets.

County Exceeds Goal for 1961 Savings Bonds

Sales of U. S. Savings Bonds in Coleman County totalled \$21,912 for the month of November, which represents 104 percent of the 1961 goal for the county, Mr. Robert I. Bowen Jr., County Savings Bonds Chairman, reported.

Sales in Texas for the first eleven months of 1961 were \$144,386,615. Sales of E and H Bonds in the month of November totalled \$11,963,137.

In an endeavor to achieve the 20th Anniversary Savings Bonds goal set for Coleman County, Chairman Bowen called attention to the Treasury Department's recent extension to Savings Bonds holders the privilege of switching appreciation Series E Bonds into current-income H Bonds without having to pay income tax on the accrued interest

at the time of the exchange.

He also reminded that any investor, other than Commercial Banks, can now buy up to \$10,000 per year (Maturity Value) of Series E or H United States Savings Bonds.

Six Colleges to Receive Esso Education Grants

Houston — Six Texas universities and colleges will share in Esso Education Foundation grants totaling almost \$1,900,000 which were announced today for the 1961-62 academic year.

The institutions, all privately controlled, are Baylor University, Hardin-Simmons University, Rice University, Southern Methodist University, Texas Christian University and Howard Payne College. All six will receive unrestricted grants.

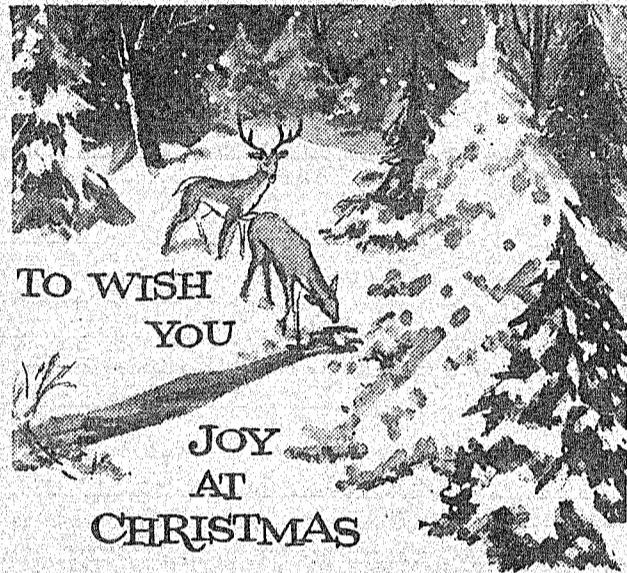
M. J. Rathbone, chairman of the Esso Education Foundation, announced the nationwide

grants from New York.

The foundation, established in 1955 by Standard Oil Company (New Jersey), of which Mr. Rathbone is president, is also supported by five domestic affiliates of Jersey Standard: Humble Oil & Refining Company, Esso International Inc., Esso Research and Engineering Company, Humble Pipe Line Company and Jersey Production Research Company.

Unrestricted grants continue to make up the largest single category in the Esso Education Foundation program this year, with 266 institutions receiving \$783,000; the National Fund for Medical Education, \$85,000; and the United Negro College Fund, \$50,000. This brings the unrestricted grant category to almost \$900,000.

Chester, common ending for English town names, comes from the Roman word castra meaning camp, since many were originally Roman camp sites.



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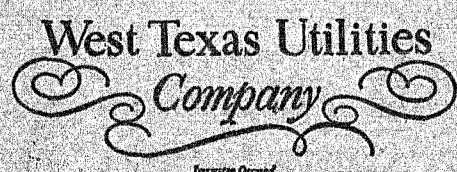
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Straight Talk

by Tom Anderson

Mr. Joe Stalin
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Dear Good Ol' Joe:

Your former buddy Nikita has decided, for the time being, not to bury the U.S. He unburies you instead. We'll miss you, Good Ol' Joe. So will Russia's Ol' Saint Nick, Lenin. Couple of years ago I queued up there with the throng who daily gazed upon you and Nick Lenin in your glass showcases. You two were the only well-dressed people I saw in Moscow. All dressed up and no place to go, I thought at the time. Didn't realize your restless bones would so quickly be on the move. Happy landing, Good Ol' Joe! If they can't decide where you really belong, maybe we could find a place for you here, beside of your American friends. (Maybe we could put you beside the President who bragged, "some of my best friends are Communist!") We promise not to dig you up with each change of administrations. Our administrations are all the same. I once got out of line and called your grave-digging successor an ugly name. At least, I said something unkind about his mother, who really might have been a good woman. I'm just wondering Good Ol' Joe, what do you think of Nikita's mother?

Ashes to ashes and dust to dust, if Khrushchev doesn't get you, Kozlov must. Remember, Good Ol' Joe, the technique of dialectical materialism: Two graves forward, and one grave backward. Your great friend Roosevelt told us repeatedly that you needed to do was to understand us. Do you now, Good Ol' Joe? I'm sorry to say most of us still don't understand you. Lack of understanding has been man's trouble since the beginning of time.

Lack of understanding — it started with Eve. Since, thousands of misunderstood old women have been burned at the stake as witches, by their childhood acquaintances and neighbors. Neighbors who didn't approve of the type of broomsticks the "witches" were using. All we need to do is understand each other. That's why 20% of our marriages end in divorce. After marriage, we understand each other.

Secretary of State Rusk reportedly told the freshmen congressmen, in a briefing session, that we couldn't do business with you but that we can do business with Khrushchev, a "much more reasonable man" than you. Actually, we did quite a bit of business with you, Good Ol' Joe. And I don't remember

you ever having to bang your shoe on the table. I think you were a very "reasonable" man — you certainly had your reasons.

Never doubt that your side is winning. What else could be the future of a nation that spends more on alcohol than one education. Fifteen million sex magazines are read monthly by a third of our nation. There are three times as many criminals as college students and more barmaids than college girls. One million girls are infected by a social disease and one thousand girls become prostitutes each year. One million babies are born in illegitimacy yearly. There are 60 suicides in America every day, one murder every 40 minutes and one major crime every 22 seconds. Fifty-five percent of all burglaries, 58% of auto thefts, 51% of all larcenies and 19.5% of all arrests for rape are among teenagers.

Many businessmen give to both sides in an election campaign. Your sidekick, Lenin charged that if he could make money on it, the capitalist businessman would supply the rope to hang himself. Many are thus busily engaged.

Try as they may to downgrade you, they'll never succeed. "The evil that men do lives after them the good is oft interred with their bones." You left many monuments, Good Ol' Joe, among them the United Nations. Your United Nations baby has grown into a giant brood sow, fed and housed by Americans and suckling a 100-nation array of Communists, Socialists, atheists, opportunists, bandits, and cannibals who debate spy, and propagandize, while your boys conquer on.

"Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel!" — except in the United Nations. We spend billions privately carrying Christianity to the world and more billions, publicly in the U.N., denying Christianity and promoting the "brotherhood of man."

As you know, World Government would be a man-made Kingdom on Earth ruled not by God, nor even by man, but by Russia.

George Washington, the American flag, our Founding Fathers, our Constitution and other outdated cornballs and squares have been "dug up" here, Good Ol' Joe. This downgrading is all part of the One-World, brotherhood-of-man movement. And get this,

some of our church leaders are even downgrading your old nemesis, Christ! So you ain't doing so bad, Good Ol' Joe.

The Modernists deny many of the old scriptures of the Bible and offer new promises through a new social order, man-made and man-planned by men who have belonged to Communist fronts, by men who have denounced many of the Scriptures, and by men who have downgraded Christ by questioning His miracles, His resurrection, His saving power, His promise of eternal life.

In an obscure village 1961 years ago, a child was born to a peasant woman. He grew up in another village and worked in a carpenter shop until He was 30. He was an itinerant preacher for three years. He had little education. He never made a business or professional success. He never held an office, never owned a home, never had a family, never traveled more than 200 miles from the barn where He was born. Yet, He was and is one of the world's most loved and most feared personalities.

While He was still a young man the tide of public opinion turned against Him. And so did His friends. He was turned over to His enemies, who put Him through mockery of a trial. Pontius Pilate, unwilling to take a stand himself, let the mob vote in the "democratic" way on His guilt. He was nailed to the Cross between two thieves. While He was dying, His executioners gambled for the only property of any value He had on earth. His garments. His body was put into a borrowed grave.

Through 19 centuries no combination of armies, of parliaments, of Kings, prophets or religions ever challenged world influence or affected the life of mankind as has Jesus Christ — until now. Now your one-world-brotherhood boys have thrown down the gauntlet. Your anti-God religion has captured more souls in 40 years than the King of Kings has captured after almost 2,000 years.

The war for the world is between your former gravemate Lenin, and Christ; between anti-God and God; between evil and good. You God-hating Communists will destroy Christianity or be destroyed. There can be no middle ground, as you well know, Good Ol' Joe.

Tom Anderson

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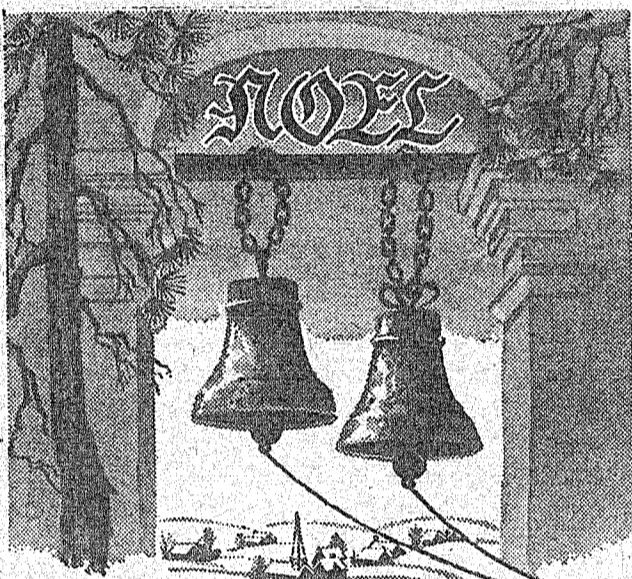
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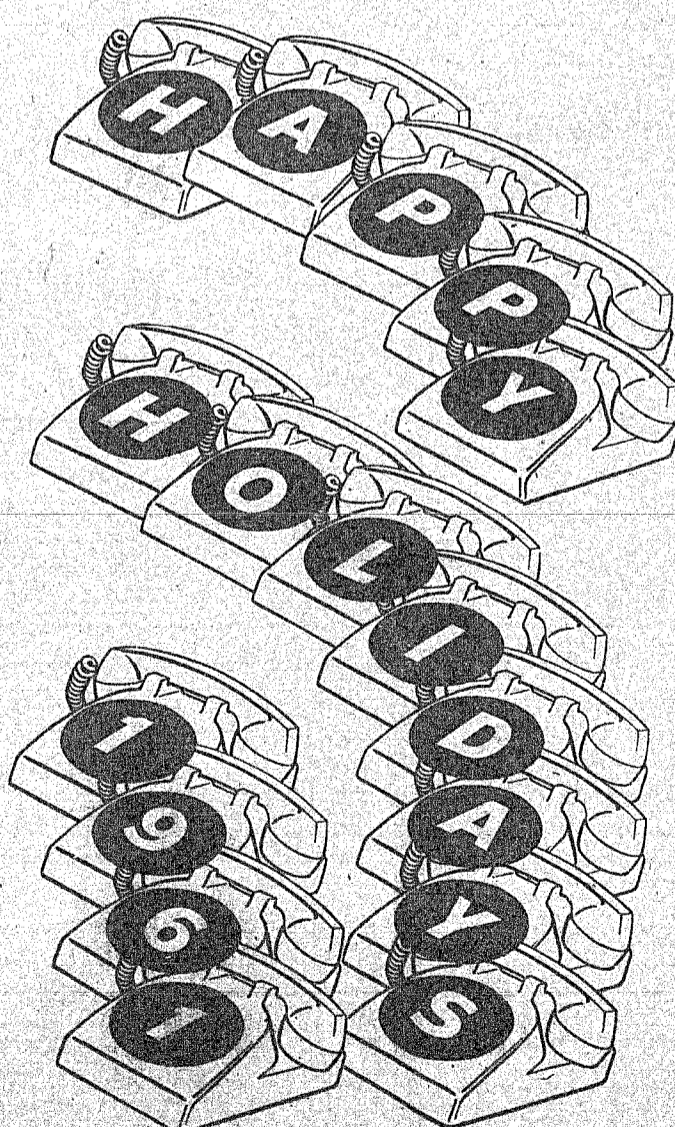
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Election Called In Water Control District No. One

E. R. Cupps, president of the Board of Directors of the Coleman County Water Control and Improvement District No. One announced this week the directors have called an election for the election of three new directors, with the election date set for January 9, 1962. The terms of Willey McClatchey, Rankin McIver and O. C. Herring expire at this time and each are seeking re-election.

The election will be held in the Community House in Trickham with the polls to be open from 8:00 a. m. to 7:00 p. m. Bond Featherston will be the Election Judge.

All resident qualified voters in the water district are eligible to vote and all are urged to vote.

Thus far no other names have been submitted as candidates for the board.

Cash Register Taken from Truck Harbor Dec. 14

The cash register was taken from the Truck Harbor Service Station in the early morning hours and was recovered Friday morning under a bridge on the Rockwood Highway. About \$67.00 was lost in the robbery.

David Evans, operator of the station missed the cash register soon after taking some change into the cafe associated with the service station.

The Sheriff's Department was called and immediately started an investigation. Friday morning the Highway Department Maintenance Crew found the cash register under a bridge about one mile south of Santa Anna. The register had not been damaged much, other than to pry it open. Everything was still in the register with the exception of the cash money.

No arrests had been made early this week.

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Juanell Mercer spent the weekend in San Angelo with her sister, Darlene Mercer.

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ESTHER WILLIAMS in

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NO WONDER WE ARE HELPING COMMUNISM

By Dr. Robert Morris

(Editor's Note: Dr. Robert Morris, President of the University of Dallas, was formerly chief counsel of the Senate's Subcommittee on Internal Security.)

Chester Bowles, former Under-Secretary of State, was here in Dallas recently and surprised a lot of people when he said:

"Yet the fact remains that in the past decade the Soviet political and economic offensive has failed in Europe, failed in the Far East, failed in the Middle East and failed in Africa. With the single exception of Cuba, it has also failed in Latin America."

"I submit that the Soviets have not been winning the Cold War. They have been losing it."

Mr. Bowles' Latin-American expert then held forth rather extensively on why Soviet Cubas poses no threat to the security of the United States!

When I read these fantastic statements, I was inclined to dismiss them as the chimerical utterances of men in a dream land. After all, not only is Soviet Cuba now building a mighty arsenal consisting of missile bases, hundreds of MIG jet planes, more than a thousand Stalin Mark I and Mark II tanks but the Communists have now established another base in Latin America, this time in British Guiana, in the vital northeast sector of South America.

In Brazil, pro-Soviet President Joao Goulart is quietly tightening his control over the largest country in South America. Cuba is training guerrillas who can now be poured into British Guiana for action in Venezuela and Colombia where Communists are now digging in for the final struggle. All over South America Communist agents are on the march while the United States, like a flabby giant, now does nothing but mouth fanciful expressions of confidence in a formula that has proven bankrupt.

Across the Atlantic the Soviets are taking over Africa. They have a firm base in Guinea and there they are building, with our help, naval bases and MIG strips. In Ghana they have a firm ally on the strategic gold coast and are moving toward the conquest of the Congo and strategic Katanga, the treasure box of Africa and the gateway to South Africa and Rhodesia. Not only have they made concrete gains but they have been given, by our joining in the rout of western influence all over that continent, the formula for future victories.

In Asia the Communists have absorbed Laos; they are luring Cambodia to their side and are now moving against Southern Viet Nam. We continue to play the role of the contemptible paper tiger.

Because of our craven acts in Hungary and in other satellite countries where instead of helping the captive people, we, instead, are financing and bolstering their cruel captors, we are

A West Texas House Wife Circles The Globe

By Mrs. Leola Christie Barnes
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JOURNEY HOME
From Rome to San Antonio

Now that my sight-seeing was finished in Rome, and the time for departure to America was drawing near, I began to realize that I was becoming desperately homesick.

The next morning, February the nineteenth, I was to take a coach across the country to Naples, where on the afternoon of the twentieth, I would board a ship for New York City.

The last night I spent in my lovely room in the Excelsior Hotel, was one of fitful sleep, interrupted every few hours by looking at my watch for fear I would over sleep. I didn't even trust the night clerk to wake me at six, as he had promised; so at 5:30 a. m. I was up and was locking my suitcase, when the desk clerk rang at six. The breakfast porter brought my meal so promptly that he was fifteen minutes early. Then I began to doubt the accuracy of my watch. Consequently, I was checked out and waiting in the lobby by seven and the coach was not due until eight and it finally arrived on the last second of eight o'clock, and we were soon off on that last sight-seeing trip in sunny Italy. As we slowly made our way through in-trepid Rome with its ancient fountains still bubbling with their crystal clear streams of water through master-pieces in stone and its antique ruins of her former greatness, mingled with her modern styles of architecture, we came upon a new vision of her former greatness — ranks after ranks of Roman Grenadiers, marching in beautiful formations, for some visiting dignitary.

Our 135 mile cross-country road was rough, but repaid us with a first hand close-up of the green fields, Almond and Olive groves, large grape vineyards, small herds of sheep and a few Jersey cows. On our left, was the enchantingly picturesque range of the Apennine Mountains, covered with a transparent misty veil of delicate blue, and crowned with glistening white snow. Our coach made a corkscrew ascent to the top of a 17,000 foot peak, that we might visit a celebrated, cloud-crowned Catholic Cathedral. My nervous system was so dizzy by the time we circled around and around on this "Mouse Ran Up the Clock" drive that my enthusiasm was at a low ebb, but I did get a thrill looking down on the enchanting scene below — the panoramic view of the lovely valley, centered by the picturesque City of Cassino; which from our elevation appeared like a mystic city from Homer's Iliad.

The vivacious Italian chauffeur of our coach obviously derived a certain amount of sadistic glee in terrifying his passengers, as he raced downward, in rapid circles, that ended only at the very bottom of this pagoda-shaped mountain.

At 2:30 p. m. we arrived in the picture book City of Naples, which was originally built by the Greeks, centuries ago, and which still retains a certain old Greek Charm, as it stands in its colorful delightfulness, facing the chameleon-tinted waters of Naples Bay. How thankful we are that it was spared when Vesuvius erupted and buried her neighboring City of Pompeii under its devastating boiling lava. This was not my first visit to Naples, as I had spent a week in Naples when on a tour of Europe several years ago, but I had forgotten the spectacular beauty of her bay front. From the balcony of my room in the lovely Vesuvio Hotel, I spent most of my stay in Naples looking out on this gorgeous bay. Quoting from my diary: "Vesuvio Hotel, February 19th, 1961. This evening I walked out on the balcony of my room and was completely enraptured by the brilliant scene before me. The waters in the Bay were a medley of variegated colors as they constantly glittered in reds, blues, greens and yellows, splashed upon them by the myriad Neon signs that illuminate the facades of Ciro's, Cinzano's and the other restaurants (as the Italians call them). All this display of rainbow colors are a never-ending kaleidoscope of rippling splendor propelled by the slender pontoons, fishing boats, and cabin boats rhythmically swaying from side to side, as they huddle near the shore line."

"Next Morning. As the sun rises on the Bay, it casts a pinkish glow on the buildings to my right, where they stand silently draped in sky-blue mist. Suddenly the cream-tinted brick changes to a roseate hue. In the foreground, the white marble arch seems to be guarding the throngs of small fishing boats — some anchored, some moving

fast losing the respect of the masses of the world.

Pondering these incontrovertible developments, I am impressed how dangerous is the attitude of Mr. Bowles and his top assistants who tell us all is well.

For, if he thinks that what has been going on all over the world has been causing setbacks to Soviet power, then he is justified in thinking that we should continue our policies of the last ten years.

Are we then to expect more support for the Castros of tomorrow? The Sekou Toures, the Nkrumahs, the Dr. Jagan's? Will the economic and political assistance that we have been extending to Communism continue now that we realize it has been leading to "victory"?

I am sure that those of us who see in the events of the last fifteen years the gradual encirclement of the United States by Soviet power and deterioration of our influence throughout the world, will find little solace in the utterances of Chester Bowles and his State Department leaders from never never land.

our sailing was fairly normal. But on February 26th, while we sat in the dining room enjoying a farewell supper amid beautiful decorations and mounds of luscious and tantalizing food, a terrific storm struck, and our tables and chairs began to rise and fall in such a frightful manner that all the pleasure and beauty of the artistically prepared food was abandoned as it was dashed against waves higher than the ship, it creaked as if it were being torn apart. This storm continued for thirteen hours and for thirteen hours it had complete control of the Leonardo which was forced to surrender to the hurricane.

The next morning my stewardess said she would bring me something to eat in my room, which she did — how I'll never know — but she placed a deep tray on my bed and propped it there with the bed-cover, and placed a heavy chair against the bed, and I managed to eat to the sound and buffeting of tumultuous waves.

So we arrived in New York thirteen hours late just as the setting sun cast its glorious colors across our "Lady of the Harbor" — our inexpressibly lovely Statue of Liberty — reminding us with the symbol of light she holds, that this great country God blessed us with, is to be preserved only if we remain obedient to His laws. How thankful I felt for God's protection through storms by sea and air and for the privilege of a home in the United States of America. I silently prayed that every citizen in this wonderful country would attend their Christian Churches on Sundays and let pleasures and recreations come second in their

The boat itself afforded a lot of sight-seeing. It is three city blocks long and has eleven decks, five tiled swimming pools and accommodations for 1,300 passengers. The libraries and reading rooms are well supplied with books and magazines. We were kept abreast with the news of the world, by a four page paper, that was slid under our door each morning.

On February 22nd, we arrived at the celebrated Rock of Gibraltar, just off the Spanish coast; and what an enchanting picture it makes, as the lights and shadows flicker across its gigantic proportions, and clouds hover over its summits, while silver-winged seagulls continuously encircle it. In the background, Spain with its gleaming white towns and picturesque mountains, forms a half-circle around it. All along are anchored ships like huge watch dogs, waiting to spring upon any approaching enemy. As we lay in anchor, we were completely surrounded by throngs of venders in small boats, that were loaded with all kinds of gaudy loot to sell passengers. Their shouting and rope throwing deliveries afforded a unique and flamboyant show. Until we passed the Azores

lives, not first. From the pier where I went through customs amid a mad-house of people and luggage and frustrated porters, I took a taxi to the City and to the Taft Hotel where I had reservations.

The people I met in New York were just as friendly and eager to assist me as are the wonderful ones here in Texas. I had been in my room only a few minutes, when a phone call came from my husband and son, Jimmy and family, which made me more homesick than ever and it was hard to wait until morning to catch a plane home, but at eight o'clock next day I boarded a plane and left Idlewild Airport for Texas and home. I arrived at the San Antonio Airport around 7:00 p. m. on March 1st, 1961, and completed my circle around the world on the very spot that I had flown from on December the twenty-sixth, 1960.

PARTNERS IN GLORY
Have you ever looked at the glory of a great cathedral, and traced it back to its beginning? The rocks in the hillsides, the iron ore in the depths of the earth, the trees in the forests, these all went into its making. The sand and silica for its glass; metal, wood and stone shaped by a thousand hands, now join in something greater than the sum total of all material and all effort.

It is a glory more substantial than a dream; it has the power to thrill the wayfarer, and within its walls the weary have found rest unto their souls. If I had carved a tiny leaf, if I had carried the wood, or stitched a curtain, I should be glad. The vision of the final glory would cheer the most monotonous hour. Life itself is like that.
— Leslie F. Church in the Watchman Examiner.

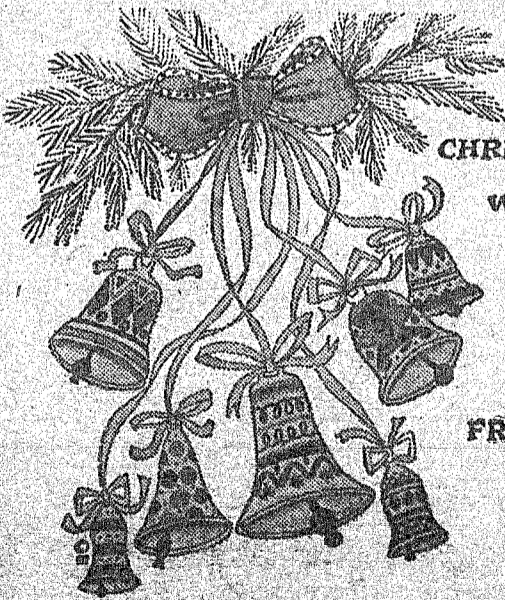
It is not necessary that we should all think exactly alike, but we should all think.



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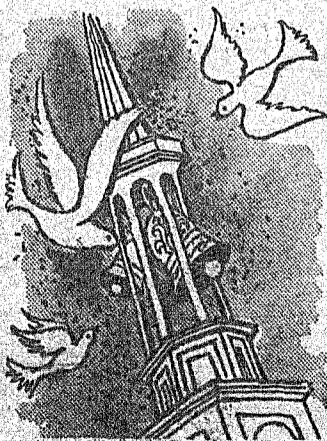
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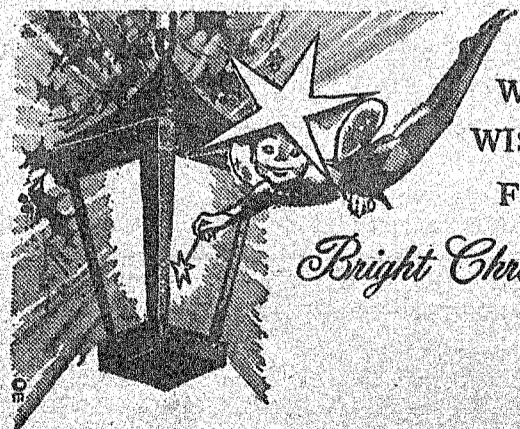
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Letters to Santa Claus

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I want a football suit and a basketball game for Christmas.
I would like nuts and fruit and candy.
Thank you,
Thomas McIntire

Dear Santa Claus,
I am eight years old and in the second grade. What I want for Christmas is some football pants and a chinstrap for my helmet and a kicking tee and a B. B. gun, and don't forget my nieces in Abilene.
Your friend,
Lonnie Lowry

Dear Santa,
I want a tiny tears doll and I want a little dish set.
I want a water color set.
And I want a teddy bear.
Eva Kay McCarrell

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I am fine.
Thank you for the toys you send my brother and I.
You are a good man.
My name is Raul Guerrero.
I am eight years old.
My birthday is September 14.
We have 8 people in our family.

I am a good boy.
I have seen you.
I want a cowboy suit and a gun and holster.
I like you.
My school is Ward School.
My sister wants a baby doll.
That is all for now, so long from Raul.
Your friend,
Raul Guerrero

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a tommy gun and I want a machine gun.
Your friend,
Nikki York

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy.
I help my Mother and Daddy.

I want a red bicycle for Christmas and some fruits and nuts.
I love you Santa.
Love,
Randal Lovelady
Whon, Texas

Santa Anna, Tex.
December 8, 1961
Dear Santa,
I would like to have a sweater, necklace and bracelet to match, and a cuddly doll and some clothes to go with it. Also remember to fill our stockings with fruit and nuts. Don't forget my big brothers and sister.
Your friend,
Cindy Hartman

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll and a ball. Please bring Harvey a B. B. gun and Robert something that he will like.
Your friend,
Alma Salazar

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a record player and some records. My brothers and sisters can enjoy it too.
Thank you,
Rickey Makuta

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll and a transistor radio. Please. Remember Mother and Daddy and bring them something nice.
Jo and Jimmy would like something too.
Love,
Jana Eubank

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a B. B. gun and a pair of boots. Please bring my little sister a set of dishes.
Your friend,
Walter Hetzel

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a B. B. gun and a Mr. Mercury mechanical man. Please bring Kelly a doll. Bring Mother

and Daddy something for Christmas.
Your friend,
Terry Simmons

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a little red spinning wheel and something in my stocking. Please remember Ann, Bill, Mother and Daddy. Paul wants a gun.
Thank you,
Janice Martin

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a little red spinning wheel for Christmas and some games. Bring Mother and Daddy something.
Thank you.
Melanie Ridgeway

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me something. I want some skates for Christmas and a tea set.
Thank you.
Nadine Cornett

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a rebel hat, a sword, a rifle, a pistol and a canon.
Thank you.
Nathan Rogers

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a record, and bring a big doll.
My little sister wants a talking baby doll and some house shoes.
Love,
Donna Raspberry

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a fire truck and watch.
As ever,
David Cupps

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a B. B. gun, a truck and a tractor. Bring my brothers and sisters and me some candy.
Thank you.
Richrd Diaz

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll, a cash register, and a little piano.
Love,
Sharon Culpepper

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a suit case full of dishes and a suitcase full of doll clothes. My little brothers want two cars, two trucks, a set of guns for Russell and two boats for Ricky.
Love,
Mary Ann Shadden

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll and a bed and dress for my doll for Christmas.
Love,
Maria DeLeon


Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me some dishes and a can-can. My little brother wants a ball. Mary wants a doll and Rita, a basketball set.
Your friend,
Rebecca Alice Rendon

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a football, an airplane and a train. Please bring my little brother a truck.
Love,
Robert Diaz

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll and a doll buggy for Christmas. I also would like a baby miniature telephone for my

use in my playhouse.
Please try to get me a play stove, a refrigerator and a sock full of candy for me and my little brothers and sisters. Oh, Santa I thank you so much for

letting me tell you what I wanted for Christmas. I hope you have a Merry Christmas as I hope to have.
Thank you Santa Claus.
Lisa



Joyous Greetings
May the spiritual inspiration of Christmas Day bring you much joy.


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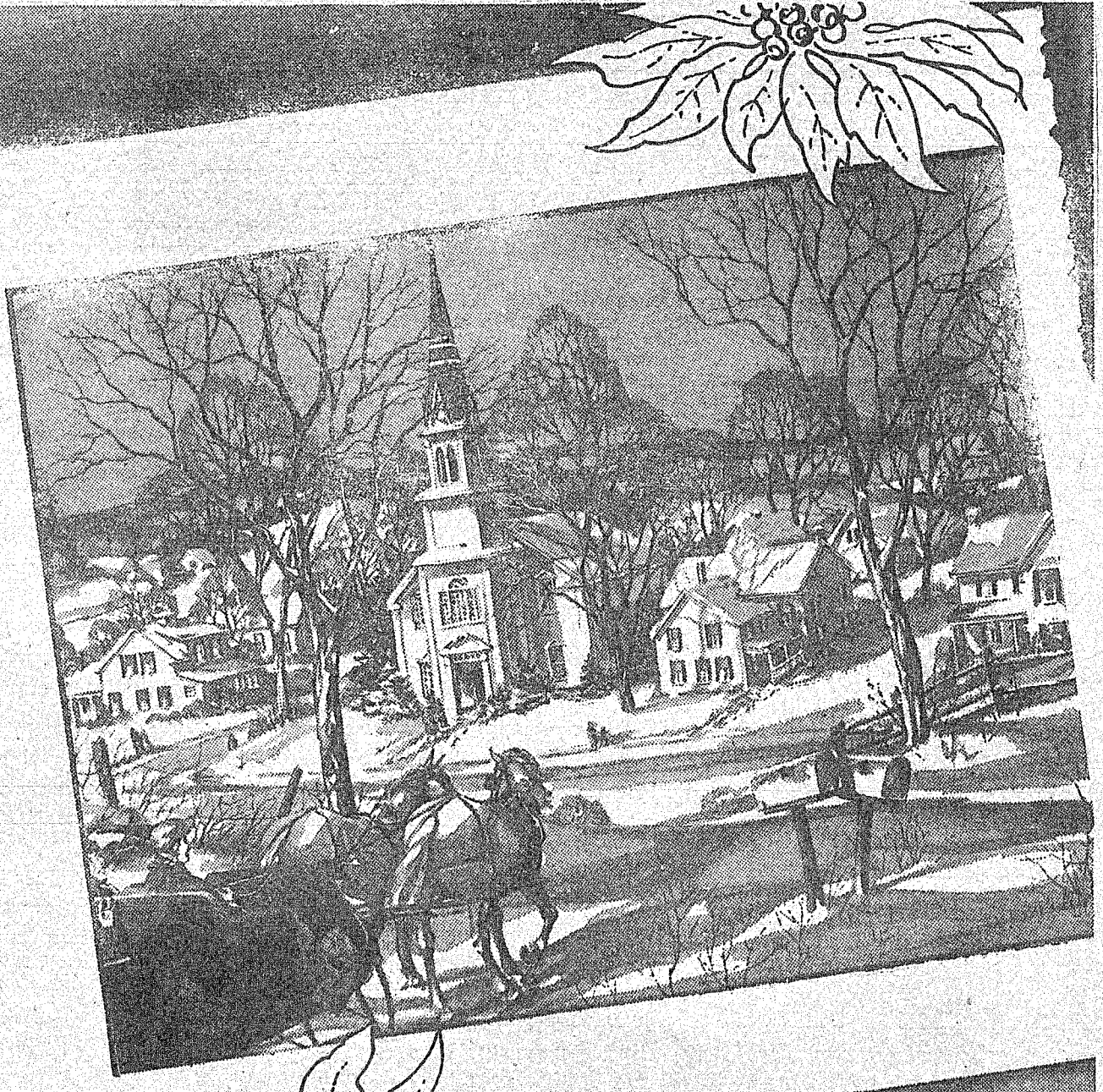


Merry Christmas

...and many thanks to all you wonderful people whose friendship has been so heartwarming during the year.

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GREETINGS

With every good wish for your happiness this Christmas season and a hearty "Thank You" for your loyal and friendly patronage throughout the past year.

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Letters to Santa Claus

Santa Anna School
Santa Anna, Texas
December 5, 1961

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a holster and a gun for Christmas. My sister wants a doll for Christmas. My little brother wants a play pony for Christmas.
Your friend,
Reuben

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like for Christmas a Princess doll, skates and books.
Your friend,
Sherrie McIver

Dear Santa Claus,
Kathleen. I want a Dride doll. I want some candy.
I will close for now.
Love Santa Claus.
Kathleen. I want a Dride doll. I want some candy.
I will close for now.
Love Santa Claus.
Kathleen Waddill

Dear Santa,
This is your friend Melinda Dean.
She would like a kisses doll for Christmas.
Melinda Dean likes dolls.
Good by Santa,
Melinda Dean

Dear Santa Claus,
We are sisters. Two of us go to school. Robin stays home with Mother.
We want a little red spinning wheel, a ring and dolls with floppy legs, arms and heads.
Robin wants a bird, and a doll like we want.
From,
Suwane, Lucinda and Robin Smith
P. S. Our little dog needs a sweater because he shakes. His name is Buster Brown.

Santa Anna School
Santa Anna, Texas
December 6, 1961

Dear Santa Claus,
I am eight years old. I am in the third grade. I'll be proud of anything you bring me. I would like a pretty doll, fruits, nuts, and candy in my stocking. Don't forget the other boys and girls.
Love,
Denise Wallace

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy seven years old, in the second grade.
I want you to bring me a playhouse, and a box of colored chalk and fruit and candy. Don't forget the other children on your way.
Your friend,
Jay Lynn Moseley

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a new truck.
Thank you.
Guy Allen
P. S. Please bring my little brother, Gip, a push toy.

Dear Santa,
Please send me a Barbie doll, and a pair of super skates and a spinning wheel and a pair of Barbie dishes and a Barbie bed and a baton.
I have been a good girl.
Your friend,
Pamela Beth Gill

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl. Please bring me a Tiny Tears doll, doll buggy and dishes for Christmas.
Thank you.
Becky Allen

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is a jungle set and a shop made belt.
Sincerely yours,
Tom Woodard

Santa Anna, Texas
Nov. 16, 1961

Dearest Santa,
I want two dresses and a coat. I am not asking for too much.
Your friend,
Shirley Pierce

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a doll buggy and a table and chairs.
Love,
Janice Keeney

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bicycle, the "Kitten" doll and lots of clothes, a ring size 4 and a Cool All fountain. Please be good to all my friends.
Love,
Dana Henderson

Dear Santa,
Please bring me the "Kitten" doll, a Casper that can talk, a ring size 4 and a Concentration game. Please be good to my little friends, Becky and Kelly.
Love,
Sharlet Henderson

Dear Santa Claus,
We want a electric train and tea set and ironing iron and Betsy Ross flag making set, and an electric stove.
My mother wants a 22.
My daddy wants a 412.
Mr. and Mrs. Tindol and Bobby and Mike

Santa Anna, Texas
December 8, 1961

Dear Santa Claus,
All I want for Christmas is a doll buggy and some doll clothes.
Love,
Gail Robinett

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll and a can-can. Also a baton.
Love,
Judy Wright
P. S. Bring puppy a bone.

Santa Anna, Texas

Dearest Santa Claus,
I am a three year old little girl. I have been a real good little girl and would like for you to bring

me a piano, stove, a doll and a doll buggy, some candy and fruit.
Also, remember all other good little boys and girls.

Thanks,
Mary Densman

Dear Santa Clause,
I would like to have a steel cement truck so the baby can't tare it up. I also would like to have a fire truck with two buttons to make the siren go and a

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red light flash and a water hose. Bring a tank with it.
Also some furniture for Freda Bennette. A record player and some black records.
Santa we have been good and love you.
Rickey Murray



Hearty Christmas Greetings

May Santa's pack be filled with happiness!

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At Christmas

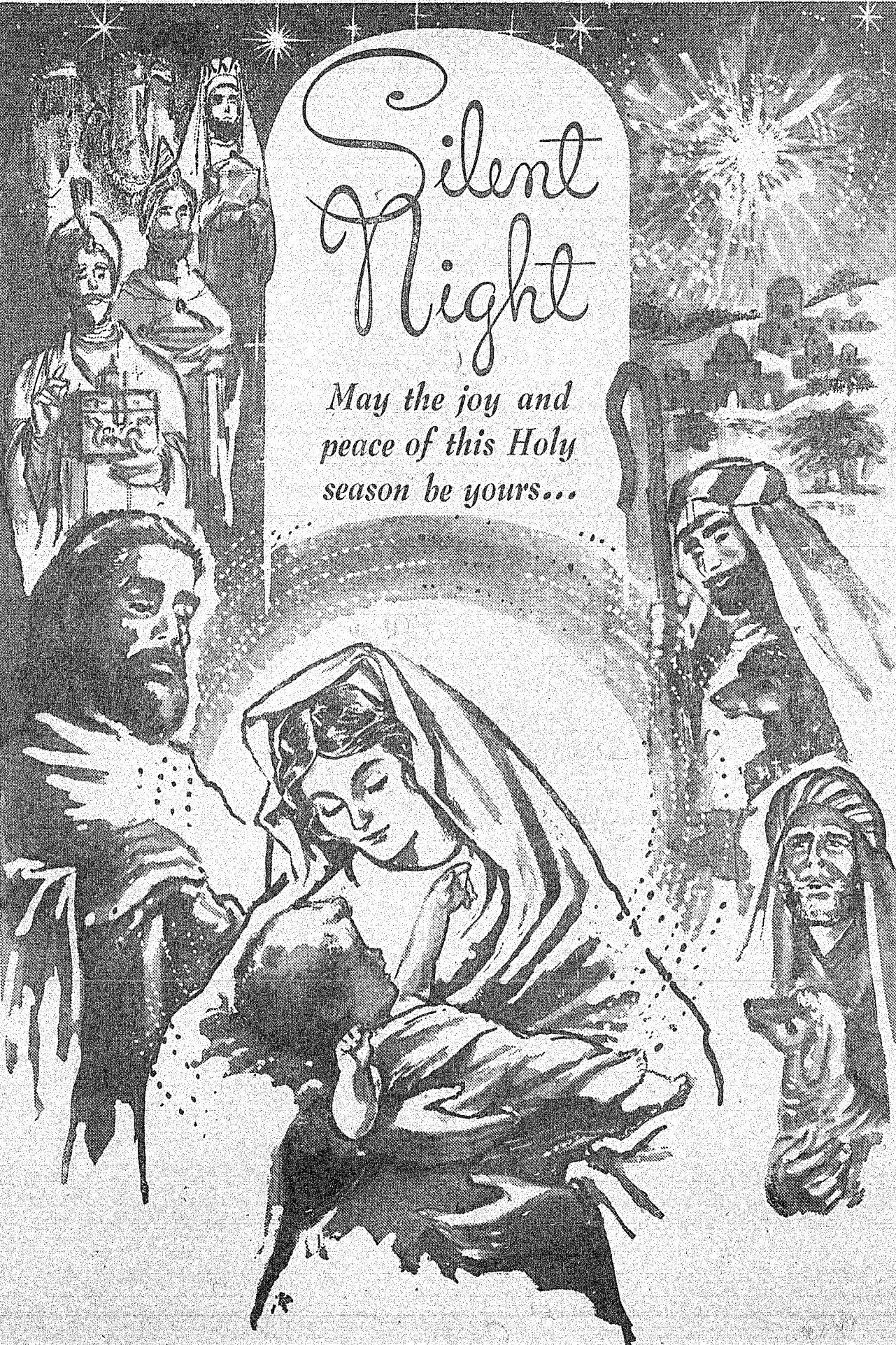
May your heart reflect the joy of the true Christmas spirit.

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AND STAFF

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Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll, a horn and a set of cosmetics with perfume and powder.
Love,
Janice Armstrong

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a big kissing doll for Christmas. Bring some gifts to other children.
Love,
Cynthia Vasquez

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bicycle. Please bring something to my family.
Thank you,
John Valdez

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll, some clothes for me and my doll, a red sewing machine. Please bring my brother and sisters something for Christmas, too.
Love,
Dixie Lee Wristen

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a calvary set. Sonja wants a doll. Ginger and Joy want a doll too. Joy wants a musical doll.
Thank you,
Cline Smith

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a little radio and a play gun for me. Please bring my Daddy climbing boots and pajamas for my Mother. I want Sissy to have a doll.
Your friend,
Ronnie Daniel

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a set of guns and a football. Please bring four Christmas stockings filled with candy for me and my two brothers and sister.
Love,
Floyd Shadden

Santa Anna School
Santa Anna, Texas
Dec. 8, 1961

Dear Santa Claus,
I want an automatic 22, a dump truck, a gun an holster and a Bingo set.
Love,
Bill Glibreath

Santa Anna School
Trickham, Texas
December 6, 1961

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Pamela. I am eight years old. I want a sweater and a skirt to go with it. And I want it to be blue. And it for myself. Size eight.
Love,
Pamela June Herring

Whon Rt.
Santa Anna, Texas
Dec. 8, 1961

Dear Santa,
I would like a record player

and rack, a jumping jack, some luggage and watch. Thank you. Don't forget the other children.
Your friend,
Nancy Baugh

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl eight years old, and I am in the third grade, and I enjoy school very much. I have tried to be good all year. I would like very much to have a Baby Dear doll, and anything else you have for me. Santa don't forget all the other little boys and girls.
Your friend,
Debbie Goodgion

Santa Anna, Texas
Santa Anna School
December 6, 1961

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Thumbelina doll, and some pretty dresses. A doll chest full of doll clothes. That's all I want this Christmas. Good-bye.
Love,
Nina Dell Stiles

Dec. 5, 1961
Santa Anna, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you at the North Pole? I hope you are o.k. I want a double gun holster set, a baseball bat and glove, and a pellet gun. Please remember my little brother, David, and my little sister, Marilyn. We have all been good this year.
Love always,
Edwin Cacrett

Santa Anna School
Santa Anna, Texas
November 5, 1961

Dear Santa Claus,
Will you bring me a wrist watch for Christmas. I want a gun and holster too. Will you bring me lot of candy.
Love,
Roddy Dean

Santa Anna, Texas
Dec. 6, 1961

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope you will bring me a Chatty Cathy.
A doll that flops back every time you pick it up. I guess that is all Santa.
Your friend,
Janice Rider

Rockwood, Texas
Dec. 8, 1961

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 2 years old. Please bring me a doll, dishes, TV, robot, teddy bear and some candy. Also bring my little baby sister some toys.
I love you,
Jimmie Gail Rutherford

Rockwood, Texas
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December 8, 1961

Dear Santa Claus,
I have tried to be a good girl. Please bring me a Tiny Tears doll with a spray bath, little red spinning wheel and some doll clothes. Thank you.
I love you,
Billie Gaye Rutherford

Santa Anna, Texas
December 7, 1961

Dear Santa,
I like you. You are very nice. For Christmas I would like to

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a B. B. gun, football, a basketball and a basketball goal.
Love,
Rocky Dean

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bicycle, a B. B. gun and a filling station.
Love,
Bobby

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a stuffed burro, a snow cone maker.
Love,
Carol Kingsbery

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a gun.
I will have fun.
Your friend,
Ricky Lynn

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Bride doll.
Kathy Estes

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll in blue and a kenand and bicycle.
Leann Bryan

Santa Anna, Texas
Dec. 8, 1961

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a very good boy. I want you to bring me a B. B. gun and some water colors, candy

and nuts.
Your friend,
Billy Diaz

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll with floppy legs, and a ring.
Love,
Lucinda Smith

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a baseball suit and a bop baseball game, also a 12 storey and song record, some nuts, candy and some fruit.
And anything you want to give me.
Love,
Jimmy Benton

Dear Santa Claus,
All I want for Christmas is an electric train and some cowboys and Indians. My little sister, Jacqueline wants a doll for Christmas.
A good boy,
Terry Loyd

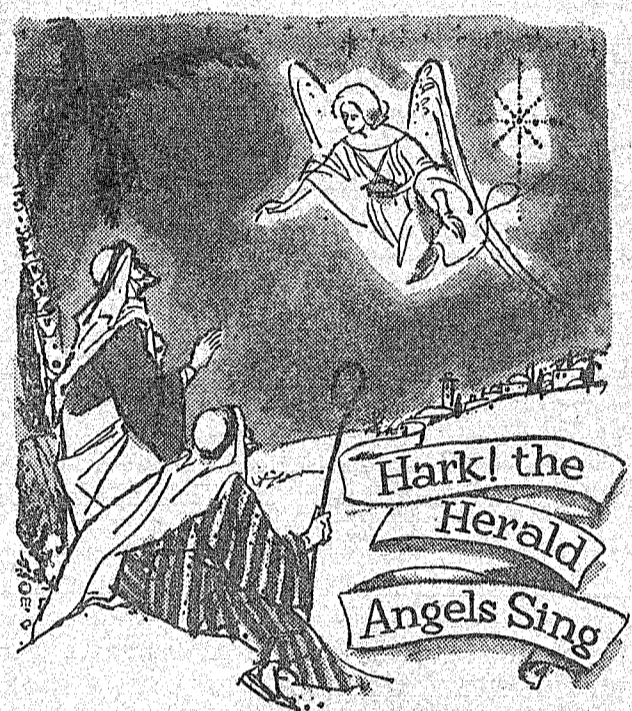
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a B. B. gun an a pistol.
Love,
Buster Gandy

Dear Santa,
I want a doll and a Bingo game and some candy.
Sharon Loyd



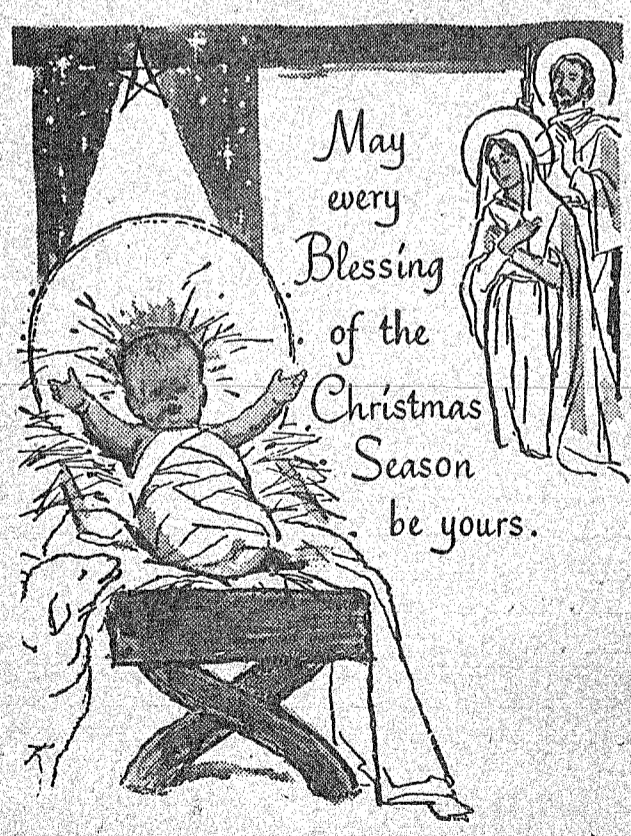
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Santa Anna Lumber Co.



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Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a paint set and football.
Love,
Danny Wheately

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a football, a BB gun, a bicycle, filling station, an Army suit and a machine gun.
Love,
David Lynn Horner

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a BB gun and a football suit and a play gun.
Your friend,
Mark Wise

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a Bee-Bee gun and a train.
Think you.
Ricky Beal

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a pair of chaps and a bulldoser and a plane.
Thank you.
Neil Fitzpatrick

Dear Santa Claus,
Will you bring me a good toy. I will have fun with it.
I know you are going to bring

me a toy.
I am a good little boy.
Your friend,
Vincent Diaz

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a footdall, a car, a pair of houseshoes and some fruit and bring my little sister a doll buggy, a car, a pair of houseshoes and some fruit.
Your friend,
Richard

Yule Log
As you watch the burning logs in an open fire place, remember what a woodsman has said about his campfire: "Every color or tint to which a tree is exposed during its life glows in the fire when the tree is burned. Look deep into the coals and you can find the pinks and violets of dawn, the blueness of the sky, the burning brightness of the noonday sun, the angry black of the thundercloud, the crimson of the sunset, the silver radiance of the moonlight and the brilliant transparency of the stars."
Life is much like Christmas — you are more apt to get what you expect than what you want.

Christmas in Colonial Times

Back in the early 1700's, when the United States were the Colonies, the settlers in Williamsburg, capital of Colonial Virginia, celebrated Christmas with the customs they had brought from England. There was no Santa Claus (a Dutch tradition), no Christmas tree (a German tradition), no Nativity creche (an Italian tradition), and no "chimney stockings" (an American adaptation).
Christmas in Colonial Williamsburg was primarily a holy day, but the atmosphere was not solemn. Churches and homes were decorated with greens, while candles burned in all the windows to welcome carolers.
There was public celebration, too. Musicians played special concerts, and fireworks and cannon were exploded to heighten the general merriment. Feasting, of the groaning board variety, was in order with dishes of roasted fowl and hare, marrow pudding, ham, oysters, sausage, shellfish, often capped by whole roast boar on a platter. Some gifts were given then as a part of the Christmas celebration, but not nearly on the present-day scale.
Today in Williamsburg a visitor can turn back the calendar two centuries and celebrate Christmas much as the colonists did. The old capital has been restored as closely as possible to its pre-Revolutionary appearance, and at Christmas time many of the old customs are carried out. Most familiar to twentieth century Americans would be caroling and the burning of the Yule log.

test track?" said one of the boys, named James Allison.
"Harry Armstrong's is the only one that is straight at all," said Thomas Sanders.
"I don't see how we all contrived to go so crooked, when the meadow is so smooth and there is nothing to turn us out of the way," said one of the boys.
And then, looking to their successful campaign, they said: "Tell us, Harry, how you managed to make so straight a track."
Now mark what Harry said: "I fixed my eye on yonder tall pine tree, on the other side of the fence toward which I was to walk, and never looked away from it till I reached the fence."

Mister Smith . . .
The story is told of a man who bought himself a silk hat, a cane and tail coat. In his hunger for dignity, he ordered his former associates henceforth to call him "Mister Smith."
Symbols of dignity alone, of course, do not win respect, but in the eye of "Mister" Smith was a newborn attitude of self-respect which could not be ignored. One of his associates laughed at him, and nursed a swollen jaw for more than a week!
"Mister" Smith began a program of living up to his new self-assumed dignity. He became serious, earnest, industrious. He was important in his own eyes and gradually, as they often do, men accepted him at something like his own evaluation. The leading men of the town began to speak to him when they met him.
"Mister" Smith became a tradition in his pioneer town of seventy years ago, and became a wealthy citizen. Men must respect themselves before they hope to have others respect them.
—Personal Efficiency Magazine.

A Self-Test
Friends or relatives are quick to check up on us when we make mistakes. This isn't always so pleasant, and it is really more "fun" to check up on ourselves, and then try to profit by the results, than to have someone else point out our faults. Here is an interesting self-test which you can use to see just how you measure up. Be as honest as you can with your answers:
1. Do I tell the truth at all times?
2. Do I put myself out to do an unpleasant job for another?
3. Am I careful never to judge others?
4. Can I really forgive others?
5. Do I refuse to repeat unkind statements which I hear about

others?
6. If I am wronged, do I have the urge to 'strike back' — or will I 'heap coals of fire' in the form of kindness upon the one who has wronged me?
7. Do I have habits which irritate others?
8. Am I as kind to those in my home as I could be?
9. Am I as patient with others as I want them to be with me?

Brotherhood
Have faith in yourself this morning;
Start out to reach a goal;
Be attentive in your actions;
Be understood in your soul.
Reach out for new horizons;
You can conquer fear with good.
You are not alone in life
If you're living brotherhood.
—Jerry D. Mitchell.

The ladder of life is full of splinters, but you never realize it until you begin to slide down.
Hand punches at the News office.

GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY.



Merry Christmas
We sing out our Christmas greeting to you.

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Straight Line
Light snow had fallen in a certain village in the Far North, and some of the village boys had met to make the best use they could of the new fallen snow. It was too dry for snowballing, and was not deep enough for coasting. So they thought they would improve the occasion by making straight tracks in the snow.
There was a large meadow near by, with a grand old oak tree standing in the center of it. The boys gathered around the tree, and stood on opposite sides, each one with his back against the tree. At a given signal they were to start, and walk to the fence opposite to each of them, and then return to the tree, and see which had made the straightest track.
The signal was given. They started. They reached the fence, and returned to the tree. "Now boys, who has made the straightest track?"



GREETINGS
and best wishes to you this holiday season

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Season's Greetings

Christmas 1961

To Our Friends:
At this happy season may we wish you an old, old wish, but one that is ever new . . . Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
We want to express our deep appreciation for the part you have played in making our business what it is today. We will always do our best to justify your faith in us, and in our ability to serve you well.
Your friendship, your patronage, and your confidence are deeply appreciated and, as we approach the New Year, we wish you and yours a Merry Christmas and a New Year full of all the good things of life.

Sincerely,
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MODERN WAY LAUNDRY
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Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Dodson

Mistletoe, Prescribed Now for Kissing, One Was Thought to Cure Illness

An ancient custom, which "prescribed" mistletoe for the prevention and cure of a wide variety of illnesses — epilepsy, for instance — has given way to the happier idea, that mistletoe is the right prescription to assure opportunities for exchanging kisses during the holiday season.

Naturally, this makes mistletoe an object of interest — as it has been for centuries.

Druid priests in early Britain cut mistletoe at the winter solstice and gave sprigs of it to the people. The sprigs were hung above doorways of homes and stables. The Druids taught, and the people believed, that this vine had great power to ward off evil and protect against illnesses.

Despite the early interest in mistletoe for its supposed medicinal qualities, its use as a "prescription for kissing" had a place in the ancient world, too.

Romans and other early peoples considered mistletoe as an emblem of peace. Meeting under it, enemies kissed each other and made a truce until the next day.

Scandinavian myths tell the story of the death of Balder, the sun god, who was, so mythology says, killed by an arrow of mistletoe wood. His mother the goddess Freya, had asked all living things to pledge not to harm her son, but she neglected to ask the lowly mistletoe.

Balder's enemy, the lame god Loki, took advantage of this to make the arrow, which he persuaded Hoder, the blind god of winter, to shoot. Balder died, but through the efforts of all the other gods, he came back to life after three days, and the sun's light shone at the winter solstice.

Freya cried for joy and her tears became mistletoe berries. She kissed everyone who passed under the mistletoe, and ordained that this same sign of affection should always be exchanged when people met beneath the mistletoe.

HABITS

The long span of the bridge of your life is supported by countless cables called habits, attitudes, and desires. What you do in life depends upon what you are and what you want. What you get from life depends upon how much you want it — how much you are willing to work and plan and co-operate and use your resources. The long span of the bridge of your life is supported by countless cables that you are spinning now, and that is why today is such an important day. Make the cables strong!

Carbon paper and sales pads at the News office.

Novel Ornaments Adorn Far Lands

It is customary among the Czechs and Slovaks, say the editors of The Encyclopedia Americana, to break a branch off a cherry tree at the beginning of Advent, place it in a pot of water in the kitchen and keep it in the warm air. The twig is then supposed to burst into bloom at Christmas time and make a festive decoration.

The Christmas festival in China is Sheng Dan Jieh, the Holy Birth Festival. Paper decorations and evergreens adorn churches and homes. The Christmas tree is decorated with paper flowers, colored paper chains and cotton snowflakes.

Ireland Lights Way for Child

The people of Ireland originated the tradition of burning a candle in the window at Christmas time. Legend said that the Christ Child might be wandering alone in the dark and cold, and they lit a candle to light him on his way.

Young Japanese Heed Hoteiosho

Although Santa Claus doesn't visit Japanese homes, the native god Hoteiosho, the kind old gentleman who carries a pack on his back and has eyes in the back of his head, makes a realistic substitute gifts bearer. Boys and girls are warned to be good because the all-seeing Hoteiosho knows everything they are doing.

Feasts Play Favorites, World Over

As much a part of Christmas as Santa Claus are the holiday dinner, the candies, cookies and cakes, the pies and puddings. Almost every country in the world has contributed its own culinary heritage to the celebration.

Turkey and all the trimmings have become traditional in America, and other countries have their own menus for the Christmas feast.

Belgium and Holland have special cakes and sweets for St. Nicholas season. The Letter-banquet is baked in the form of letters so that one may order his name in cake. Marzipan candies, once made only in the

shape of hearts, now come in many forms.

An Italian Christmas feast might include Capiteili — white meat of chicken and pork chopped and mixed with eggs and spices, encased in an inch-high dunce cap of noodle dough — or Capitoni, made from fried eels.

Characteristic foods of Austrians at Christmas, say Americana Encyclopedia researchers, are fruchtbrod, a cake made of raisins, currants, chopped figs and dates and served hot; chopped and baked carps; beef, vegetables and beer.

On Christmas Day in Hungary the family sits down for a roast goose dinner.

Instead of turkey, Norwegians have Christmas porridge, codfish, roast ribs of pork, pickled pork and sometimes a barbecued young pig, with an apple in its mouth, and paper frills upon its ears.

Mince pie is an old English custom. It represents a compound of the choicest products of the East and symbolizes the gifts of the Wise Men to the Christ Child. Another national Christmas dish in England is the famous plum pudding.

After the Portuguese return from the Missa do Galo, the Midnight Mass, the grownups gather at the table for a huge Christmas breakfast of hot chocolate, sweets and egg cakes.

The Finns serve a Christmas dessert made of rice, according to the editors of The Book of Knowledge. The rice is boiled in milk and served with cream topped with sugar and cinnamon. An almond is put into the large dish of rice and the diner who is lucky enough to get this almond will, legend says, be especially favored in the coming year.

Lavish feasts accompany Christmas in Hawaii. Menu for a traditional dinner in a Polynesian family might be: roast pig, prepared in an imu, a covered rock oven; gray-brown poi; raw salmon, with vinegar and herbs; island spinach cooked in coconut milk; and pickled pineapple.

Dessert might be passion-fruit pie — tangy-tart, yet sweet, topped with macadamia-nut ice cream.

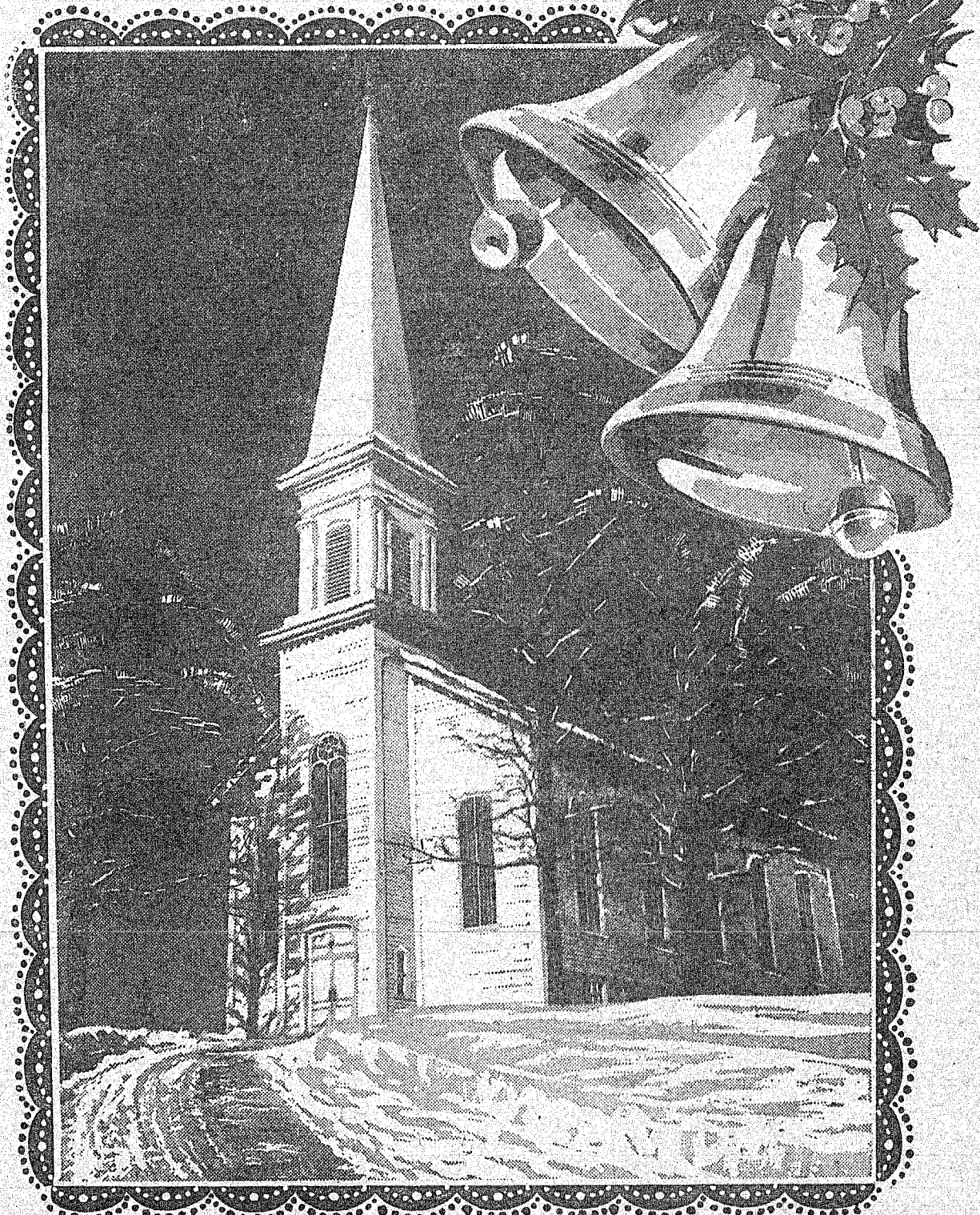
In Sweden as family, guests and household servants assemble, each person sticks a piece of bread on a fork and dips it into a kettle of pork and sausage drippings. According to tradition this bread is eaten for luck before the feast begins.



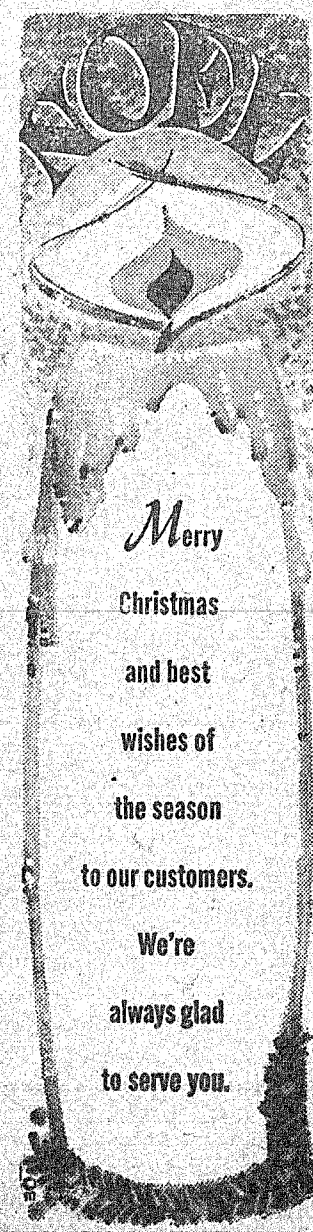
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**Santa, As We Know Him Today,
Created By Two Famous Men**

Santa Claus, as we know him today — jolly smile, round, red cheeks and chunky figure — is the creation of two famous men.

The first was Clement Clark Moore, author of "A Visit to St. Nicholas," better known to us as "Twas the Night Before Christmas." Moore actually described Santa and gave him the famous reindeer and sleigh.

The second man, who put the actual likeness of Santa on paper to illustrate Moore's poem, was Thomas Nast, a great cartoonist.

Nast drew the familiar, fat, merry old fellow with red cheeks and white beard, dressed in red,

wearing a cap and boots, carrying a pack of toys and smoking a short pipe.

The artist then gave Santa a spy-glass so that during the year he might pick out the good children from the bad, and also a big book in which to write their names and keep records.

This conception of Santa Claus first appeared in 1863. Since that time the pictured Santa has been the same, although the spy-glass and pipe seem to have been dropped by the way.

Typewriter paper at the Santa Anna News.

Christmas Cards

Did you ever wonder who started the custom of sending Christmas cards? Historians give credit to a 16-year-old engraver, who lived in London in 1842, William Maw Egley. He designed a small card to send to his friends. Only one hundred copies were made of his quaintly cluttered design, which depicted a formal banquet, a dancing party and a group of skaters.

Beneath the illustration young Egley wrote: "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to You" — which still seems to be the most popular phrasing ever written.

The first Christmas card to

win complete acceptance was sent in 1862 by a London publisher, Charles Goodal & Sons.

In the 32 years that intervened the idea had spread to the United States, and in 1874 a Boston lithographer, Louis Prang, issued his first Christmas card and an industry was launched.

Prang's cards were world famous for their beauty and craftsmanship. Their price ran to several dollars each.

He used few of the traditional Christmas scenes, so familiar today, but instead depicted spring flowers, harvest scenes and children at play.

Archie was about to be punished when Gifford Pinchot, the President's conservation adviser, intervened.

Pinchot explained that the cutting of trees, properly supervised, is a good conservation measure.

Archie wasn't punished — and the White House had a tree.

Legends Tell About Hymn

Stories and legends surround most of the modern ways of celebrating Christmas — and sometimes there is more than one version of a story — such as the story of "Silent Night" and how the song came to be written.

Joseph Mohr, village priest of Hallein, Austria, wrote the words, and his organist wrote the music, probably adapted from a melody by Michael Haydn. On this point, most sources seem to be agreed.

What inspired Father Mohr to write the words is another story — or another two stories.

One version, say researchers for The Book of Knowledge, is that Father Mohr was called out into the snow on Christmas Eve of 1818, to bless a newly born baby in the home of one of his poorest parishioners.

He was so filled with the spirit of the season and the simple beauty of the mother and infant that when he returned to his study he wrote the poem, "Silent Night." Before Christmas Day

was over, his organist had written the music.

Other versions have it that the church organ had broken down (impaired by mice, one story says), and the people were saddened because there would be no music for Christmas Day. Shortly before Christmas, Father Mohr wrote his poem and Organist Gruber the music.

At midnight mass, the people sang "Silent Night" — with a guitar accompaniment.

Towns Named in Spirit of Yule Get Mail Deluge

Among the busiest of Santa's helpers at the Yuletide season are postoffices in towns with Christmas names.

In Noel, Mo.; Christmas, Fla.; Santa Claus, Ind.; Bethlehem, Ind.; and Bethlehem, Pa.; many thousands of packages and cards are received around Christmas time, to be postmarked with the Yule town's name and remailed to other states and countries.

The towns also play host to many visitors during the Christmas season. In Bethlehem and Nazareth, Pa., there are permanent displays and festivals of light, emphasizing the religious meaning and beauty of Christmas.

Uncle Daly says the man of the hour is the one whose wife told him to wait a minute.

The Mysterious Something!

As the young folks were gathered around the Christmas tree, a bright little fellow with a glint in his eye got up and exclaimed, "I have something in my pocket that no human being has ever seen, and after I show it, it will disappear, and no one will ever see it again."

Everybody laughed, and wanted to know what kind of a crack Johnny was going to break. When Johnny insisted he wasn't joking, they all demanded that he prove it. Well, Johnny kept his friends waiting impatiently as long as he dared, making his claims even more mystifying — until the boys and girls threatened to mob him. Then Johnny had to make good — and what do you suppose he did? What would you have done under the circumstances?

He took from his pocket a nut, cracked the shell and took out the kernel. It was positive proof that no one had ever before seen the kernel. Then he put it into his mouth and ate it.

Soviets Retreat And Santa Wins

After unsuccessful efforts to keep Christmas from being celebrated as a Christian holiday, the Communist regimes of Russia and the countries of Eastern Europe have recently shown a more tolerant attitude toward traditional observances. Father Christmas, the Russian Santa, is back again, having refused to be come Father Winter, the name Communists tried to give him.

Another gifts bringer in Russia is a legendary old woman called Babuska — (grandmother). Legend says she misdirected the Magi when they asked the way to Bethlehem. She repented, and to atone she went about the world on Christmas Eve, looking for the Christ Child and distributing gifts to children.

Day of Glory Given Trees

Even trees have a space problem — and for the evergreens, it is alleviated at Christmas time, say forestry experts. The big trees get room to grow, and the small trees get their day of glory.

Conservation-minded President Theodore Roosevelt, objecting to the cutting down of millions of evergreens, once adamantly refused to have a Christmas tree in the White House.

His son, Archie, smuggled in a tree and set it up in his room. The deed was discovered and



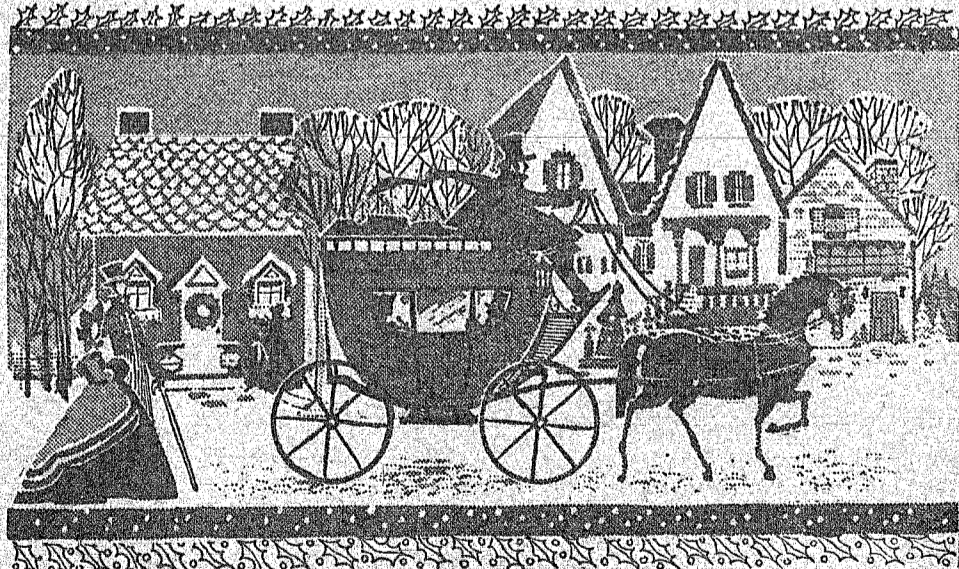
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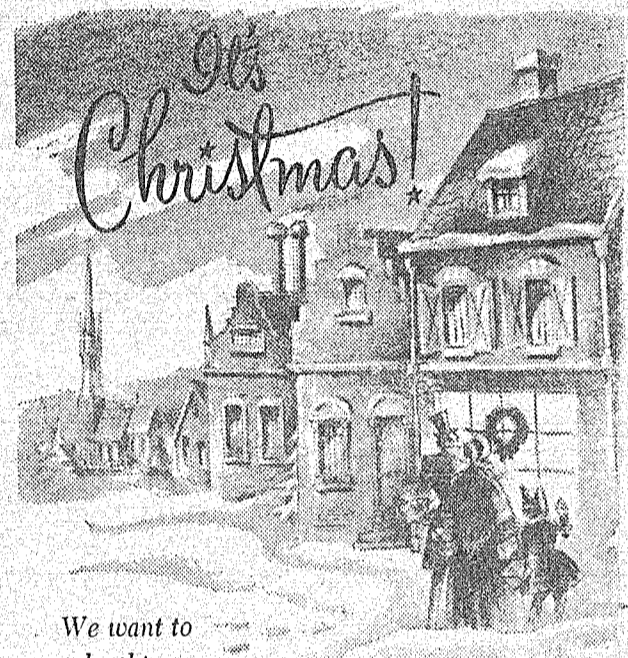
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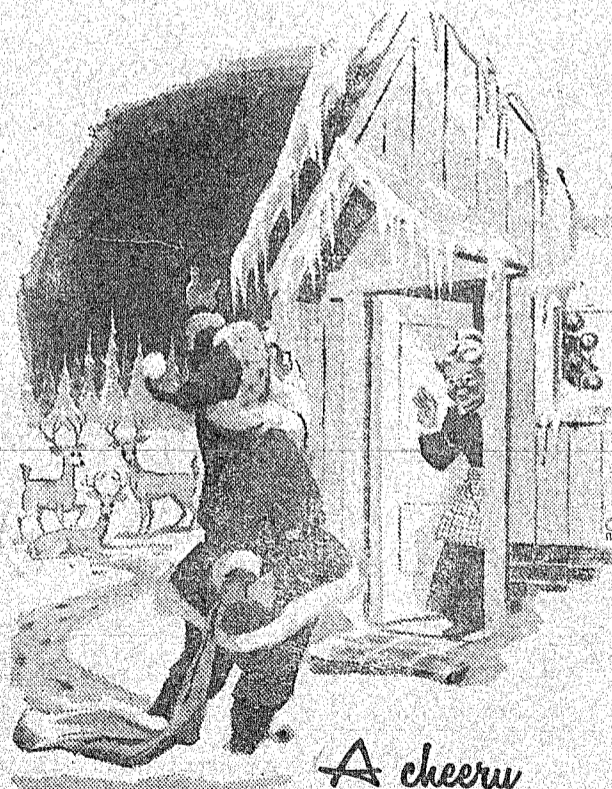
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IN ANY LANGUAGE, ANYWHERE

It's Merry Christmas Everywhere

From Tokyo to West Berlin, from Buenos Aires to Copenhagen — and even in the cities of Russia and the satellite countries — the glow of the Christmas spirit spreads around the world, for Christmas is truly a universal holiday.

The legends and traditions gathered about it are many, and customs can, and do, vary from country to country. All nations, through their folklore, have made their special contributions to the traditional ways of celebrating the birthday of Christ.

When the customs of one country are compared with another, it's sometimes hard to believe that the same holiday is being commemorated!

Along with the different ways of observing Christmas, there are, of course, different ways of extending greetings, according to the language of the country. To give just a few examples, in Sweden it's "God Jul," in French "Joyeux Noel" and in German "Froliche Weihnachten." In Russian, it's "S Rozhdestvon Khrish-tovym."

Whatever the language, the words mean "Merry Christmas," and that's the key to the variety of Christmas customs. Though the peoples of many lands have unique Yule traditions, each is a way of expressing the spirit of Christmas, a spirit that is the same everywhere, in every place and time.

At Christmas, the thoughts of people around the world turn to the joys of home, of being with family and friends, the merriment of feasting and parties, the pleasures of giving and receiving gifts, the satisfactions of helping others. The affirmation of faith, the renewed promise of life eternal and the hope for "Peace on earth, good will toward all men" bring spiritual rewards in a season of worship and prayer.

All these things find expression in the Christmas customs of many lands. And the customs travel from country to country, so that, on a day when sharing with others is a most important part of the celebration, nations share in the memories and traditions of other nations.

Some of these customs are compiled below by editors of The Book of Knowledge: —

OLD CUSTOMS LIVE

Christmas in the United States reflects a heritage of customs from many lands and times. Trees, candles, bells, carols and other well-loved traditions came, like the people of the U. S. from other countries. In many communities, people still celebrate Christmas as their ancestors did.

The U. S. has made its contributions to Christmas customs around the world, too. Santa Claus, bearded and red-suited was first personified in "The Night Before Christmas" by Dr. Clement Moore. Street decorations, Santas in stores, and special store-displays of gifts are U. S. ideas that have been adopted on a global scale.

SAINT IS REALITY

Swedish Yuletide ceremonies begin officially on December 13, St. Lucy's Day. According to legend, St. Lucy went about carrying food and drink to the needy. The Swedes give the legend reality by choosing one of the girls in the family to represent St. Lucy. St. Lucy rises early and wakens each member of the family, serves them coffee and bakes buns.

NORWAY PREPARES

In Norway preparations for Christmas traditionally start six months before December 24. The Christmas celebration itself lasts three weeks. The period, according to Book of Knowledge researchers, is known as the Julafred, or the Peace of Christmas.

GLOW LIKE STARS

In Switzerland, Christmas Day or Weihnachten is the traditional opening day of the winter sports season. A colorful sight on Christmas is the fires which are burned on the peaks of the Alps. Like flaming stars, they hang in the dark heavens during Holy Night.

STATUES HONORED

In Italy the Presepio, or crib, is as characteristic of Christmas as is the tree in other countries. To the Presepio, people bring gifts of nuts and apples, which they place in the hands of life-sized figures.

PICNICS PLANNED

Australians go in for outdoor picnics at Christmas time since it's summertime "down under" then.

INSPIRED BY MAGI

Gian Carlo Menotti's opera, "Amahl and the Night Visitors," was inspired by the story of the Three Kings of Orient.

WHAT WISE MEN DID

Tradition says that the Three Wise Men, after returning to their kingdoms from Bethlehem, gave up their high positions, gave their property to the poor and went out to preach the gospel of Christianity.

Pinata Scramble

In Mexico and other Latin American countries, the breaking of the pinata is a traditional Christmas custom. Earthen jars are filled with toys and sweets, covered with colored paper-mache figures and hung in an open space.

Blindfolded children take turns at trying to break the pinata with a stick. When it is smashed, there's a merry scramble for its contents.

A LAW AGAINST IT

In Massachusetts, Christmas didn't become a lawful holiday until 1856. The Pilgrims in New England had disapproved of Christmas celebrations, and a law prohibiting them was passed in 1659.

Cards Express Sentiments Merry, Friendly, Reverent

Friendly, merry reverent, grateful — Christmas sentiments find expression in greeting cards at the holiday season.

Just when the sending of greeting cards first began is a question that may never be settled, especially since it is always possible that early examples of printed Christmas greetings are waiting to be found among private books and papers.

The Cole-Horsley card is considered by many to be the first published Christmas card. It was designed in Britain in 1843 by John Calcott Horsley, a well-known artist of the period, for Sir Henry Cole, director of the Victoria and Albert Museum.

The card bears the now-universal greeting, "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you." It shows a joyous family seated at Christmas dinner.

A copy of the card, discovered

in England in recent years by a representative of Hallmark, is now part of the Hallmark Historic Collection, housed at the greeting card company's headquarters in Kansas City, Mo.

Louis Prang of Boston, an art-loving lithographer, published the best known early Christmas greetings in the U. S. He conducted art and literary competitions for greeting card material, and published cards of outstandingly high quality.

Yule Burns Bright

The French traditionally exchange gifts on New Year's Day, but the burning of the Yule log at Christmas is an honored custom in many parts of the country. After carols are sung, wine is poured on the log by the youngest child.

Attend church regularly.

S. Claus Now Changed Man

Santa Claus has undergone quite a metamorphosis in his time. Before Dr. Clement Moore, Santa's appearance was a problem left mostly to individual discretion and personal taste. He might be short or tall, plump or thin, merry or solemn.

The European St. Nicholas was pictured as a tall, thin man who rode a gray horse. In 1809, Washington Irving described Santa as a jolly fellow who wore a wide-brimmed hat.

After Dr. Moore wrote "Twas the Night Before Christmas," in 1823, St. Nick acquired definite external characteristics. Even after, children "knew in a moment it must be St. Nick" by his well-fed, merry appearance — twinkling eyes and a rosy face — and his sleigh and reindeers for transportation.

The image of Santa was affirmed in 1869 when Thomas Nast's cartoon was published, picturing Santa in his now fami-

liar red garb, smoking a pipe. Like all famous men, Santa today finds it difficult to travel anywhere incognito.

Poinsettia Puzzle Is Christmas Fun

A fun-maker at Christmas is to ask family or friends this question: "What color is the blossom of the poinsettia plant?" Chances are, the answer will be, "Red, of course."

Actually, the red "blossoms" of the poinsettia are not the flower of the plant — they are leaves. The real blossoms are the tiny yellow flowers in the center of the red clusters.

A comparative newcomer to the traditional Yule greenery, the tropical poinsettia was discovered in Mexico in 1826, by Dr. Joel Roberts Poinsett, first U. S. minister to Mexico. He aroused interest in its beauty, and the plant is named for him.

Albert Ecke, a California farmer, developed and improved the plant, and first marketed it in 1906.



Gandy's Creamery

Festive Day Brings Glad Surprises, In Exchange of Gifts, Greetings

By ANNA MANG
It's the day before Christmas, and all through the town, the spirit of joy and festivity is stirring, as the time of celebration approaches. The whirlwind of pre-Christmas preparations nears an end, as the last gifts are bought and wrapped, the final decorations are hung on the tree and the last-minute plans are made for Christmas feasts and parties.

Because Christmas is first of all a day of worship, the day celebrated as Christ's birthday, it will be observed with reverence and thanksgiving. In churches, tonight and tomorrow, special Christmas services will tell, in song and story, of the Babe who was born in Bethlehem.

Right this very minute, probably more than one young performer in a Christmas play or pageant is rehearsing his or her part with Mother, and young carolers are practicing the beloved Christmas songs. In

churches and in homes, manger scenes large and small depict the inspiring sight of the Babe with Mary and Joseph, with adoring shepherds and Wise Men.

And because Christmas is a day of rejoicing, it will be celebrated with happiness and warmth. The hearts of children and their elders, too, will be gladdened as gifts and greetings are exchanged.

Surprises are waiting under the tree, and tomorrow morning, after Santa's visit, there will be still more, along with many little gifts tucked into stockings, and gaily wrapped packages waiting to be delivered to relatives and friends.

Christmas is a day to share, because Christmas means kindness and generosity. The opportunity it brings to make the lives of less fortunate neighbors happier is a gift in itself. For the ill, the lonely, the aged and the needy, tomorrow will bring a merrier Christmas because the people of this community have

sought to share with them the good things of the holiday.

In the hearts of those who helped, there is a special peace and joy.

Christmas is a day to treasure many intangible gifts, to rejoice in the smiling faces and wondering eyes of little children, to cherish and strengthen friendships and family ties, to count the blessings of health, happiness and love, to renew faith and hope.

Christmas is a time to remember. For the youngest children, it is time to store up memories for the future, of Santa and gifts, feasting and fun, caroling and viewing the manger scene.

For those who have left childhood behind, it is a time to recall the memories of Christmas past, and a time to see the wonders of the day with the fresh joy of a child.

Christmas is a time to give and receive good wishes. "Merry Christmas" and "Happy Holiday" will be said in many ways — as they are said in today's edition of this newspaper, by businessmen of the community who observe the season of friendliness and good will with special greetings and words of appreciation to their customers and friends.

In homes, the greeting cards are opened, often to become part of the decorations and always to be read with pleasure for the messages they bring from near and far. Whether the mail has brought cards from the neighbors next door or a card and a Christmas note from a distant friend, greetings warm the heart.

Christmas is a time to be merry. It's a day for laughter and singing, a day when even strangers are friends, and passersby on the street smile at one another. It's a day when the stresses of life are forgotten, when joy replaces care, and personal worries disappear in thoughtfulness for others.

Christmas is a time to observe old customs. All the lore of the day as it is celebrated in many lands, as it has been celebrated throughout the centuries, comes to make this Christmas richer in happiness and contentment.

Christmas is a time for traditions. Every family has its own, and the special rituals of gift-giving, feasting, parties, stories, meetings with friends and relatives, grow in meaning and grow dearer each year they are observed.

Christmas is a time to say, as did Dickens' Tiny Tim, "God bless us every one."

No wonder mothers gets a thrill out of watching the children hang up their Christmas stockings; she's delighted to see them hang up anything.

Shaving was originally a protective measure since long beards were easy for opponents in combat to seize.

Redwood Is U. S. Tree

When Christ was born in Bethlehem, the giant redwood tree that is now the U. S. National Christmas Tree had already been growing for 2,000 years.

Located in King's Canyon National Park, Calif., the tree is a "Sequoia gigantea" — a coniferous, evergreen tree — and its age is estimated, from its annual rings of growth, at 4,000 years. Its majestic redwood trunk rises 267 feet.

The U. S. Department of the Interior officially designated this redwood as the National Christmas Tree on April 28, 1926. Earlier, it had been named the General Grant Tree, for the 18th President.

In December, Christmas services are held annually at the base of the tree, climaxing a month-long Christmas Festival celebration by the citizens of Sanger and neighboring communities of Fresno County, Calif. Members of the National Park Service place a wreath at the base of the tree.

HELPED CAROLS

Martin Luther, the Reformation leader, felt that group singing in churches was important and did much to help spread the custom of carol singing. He composed a carol, "From Heaven Above I Come to You," and "Away in a Manger" is sometimes attributed to him.

CHRISTMAS!

There's more, much more to Christmas

Than candle-light and cheer;
It's the spirit of sweet friendship,
That brightens all the year;
It's thoughtfulness and kindness,

It's hope reborn again,
For peace, for understanding
And for goodwill to men!
—The Churchman

Carbon paper and sales pads at the News office.

Epiphany Cake Helps French Choose King and Queen to Rule Evening

"La Gallette des Rois," the "Kings' Cake," is the French form of Epiphany cake, according to the editors of The Encyclopedia Americana. Epiphany cake is baked all over Europe, either at Christmas time to eat until Twelfth Night, January 6, or on Epiphany day.

French peasants put a bean into the cake mix, and the finder

There are six feet in a fathom.

An idiosyncrasy is a physical or mental peculiarity.



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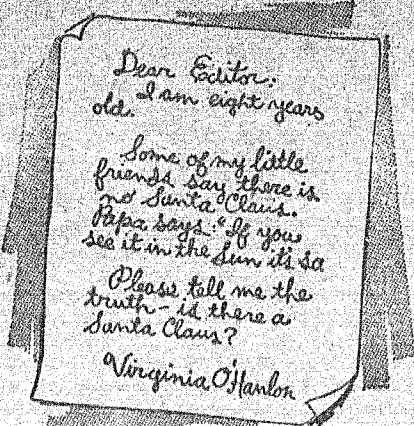
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Yes, Virginia, There is a Santa Claus...



Sixty-one years ago, an eight-year-old girl posed a question to the editorial staff of the New York Sun. The newspaper's answer has become one of the Christmas season's classics. The little girl wanted to know simply, "Is there a Santa Claus?" and the answer is reprinted here, as it appeared in The Sun.

Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or 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 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 are bound 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 childlike 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 Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get you 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 there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children or 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 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, can 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, and 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.

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Yule Riddle Links Santa, Pawnshops

What is the connection between Santa Claus, the custom of hanging up Christmas stockings and a pawnbroker's sign of three gold-colored balls?

A Scrooge might say that the answer to the Yuletide riddle is that Santa Claus would need help from a pawnbroker, to pay for filling all the stockings — but Scrooge would be wrong.

Both Christmas stockings and pawnbroker's signs are traditions that come from legends about the first "Santa Claus" — St. Nicholas, bishop of Myra, in Asia Minor — according to the Encyclopedia Americana.

This early Santa was known far and wide for his generosity. And, so the story goes, he wanted to help a merchant who had lost all his money and had no way to provide dowries for the marriages of his three daughters.

Like Santa today, St. Nicholas wanted to be a generous but secret giver. When the oldest

daughter was old enough to marry, he went at night to the merchant's house, with a bag of gold.

Some legends say he threw it through the window, and others that he threw it down the chimney. At any rate, the oldest daughter had her dowry and was able to marry.

St. Nicholas repeated the process for the second and then the third, daughter. The third time, the merchant watched to see who brought the gold and told the story of the good saint's generosity.

According to legend, one bag of gold fell into a stocking hung up by the chimney to dry, and thus began the custom of hanging up stockings to be filled with gifts.

Pictures of the saint show him with the three bags of gold.

Bankers in Northern Italy took him as their patron and used the sign of three gold balls. Because bankers lent money, the sign later became associated with pawnbrokers, and today this custom still continues.

Trade winds always blow from an easterly direction toward the equator.

Sharing Ideas Creates Seal

That familiar Christmas seal appearing on so many packages and letters during the holiday season owes its origin to an American physician, a Danish postal worker and a kind-hearted lady from Delaware.

The doctor, Edward Livingston Trudeau, was stricken with TB shortly after graduation from medical school, says The Encyclopedia Americana.

To help other people with the disease — both his brother and his daughter had it — and to test his own ideas, Dr. Trudeau set up the first successful tuberculosis hospital at Saranac Lake, New York.

When the National Tuberculosis Association was founded in 1904, its first president was Dr. Trudeau.

About the same time, far across the sea in Denmark, a Danish postal worker, Einar Holboell, had the idea of selling penny seals to put on packages at Christmas, to remind people to help sick and needy children suffering from tuberculosis.

The King of Denmark approved the idea and the world's first Christmas seal sale took place in 1904.

Meanwhile, on the banks of the Brandywine River in Delaware, a group of doctors had built a small hospital to be used for treating tuberculosis.

When it became apparent that the project would die for lack of funds, a cousin of one of the doctors came to the rescue. Miss Emily Bissell, a Red Cross worker, had read a magazine article about the successful Christmas seal idea in Denmark.

Miss Bissell set to work and drew the design for the first American Christmas seal. Around Christmas time of 1907, the first stamps went on sale in the Wilmington, Del., post office.

ANIMATED CARDS

Ingenious mechanical devices were used to animate early Christmas greeting cards, much as they are today. The symbols of Christmas — the robin, Santa Claus, holly, mistletoe and carolers — first became popular on cards of the Victorian era.

In Finland, just before Christmas Day, the whole family must take a Finnish bath (Sauna). This is the traditional steam bath taken in a hut with a stone oven.

In the winter of 1955-1956, Mt. Rainier, Washington, recorded just over a thousand inches of snowfall.

Spanish Children Go to Seek Magi; Germans Name "Kris Kringle"

Tradition Helped As Washington Crossed River

During the American Revolution, George Washington used his knowledge of Christmas celebrations to take an important step toward peace.

Puritan settlers in the New World disapproved of Christmas festivities, but Washington knew that the Hessian soldiers, employed by George III to fight the colonists, would observe Christmas as they had done at home.

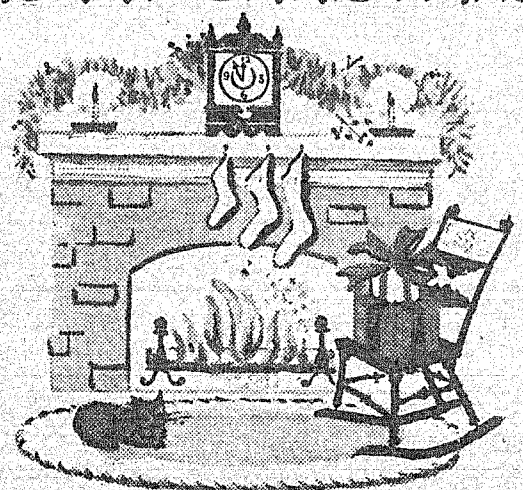
On December 25-26, 1776, he crossed the Delaware, attacked and put to rout the surprised Hessians who had been obliviously sleeping off the effects of their holiday festivities.

In Madrid, Spain, it has long been the custom (say Encyclopedia Americana researchers, for men and boys bearing torches, bells and tin cans to go out to the city gates to meet the Magi. When children complain they do not see the Three Kings pass by, they are told the Kings pass behind the mountains.

In Germany when the character of Saint Nicholas started to become too prominent and the idea that Christmas was about the birth of Christ was becoming neglected, the Germans replaced him with Christ Kind — the Christ Child. This name has been modified to Kris Kringle, say The Book of Knowledge editors.

Christmas is not a date — it's a state of mind.

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and fervently pray that good will
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Raymond Jones, Pastor

Mystery of Magi Leads to Legends; Only St. Matthew Reports Visit

Familiar to all is the visit of the Magi to Bethlehem, — and yet little is known about it. In the books of the New Testament, only St. Matthew reports the visit.

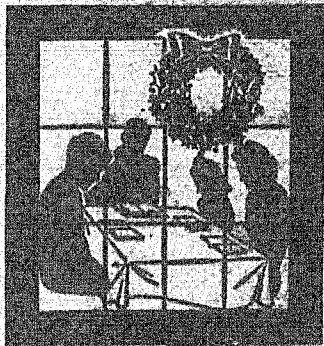
St. Matthew called them "wise men from the East." In the legends that have developed, they are sometimes called "Magi", because this word, meaning "august," was the name given the

priests of the ancient Medes and Persians. Tradition says they had heard that a bright new star would announce the coming of a Saviour to the world. After years of watching, they saw the star and set out from Babylon to find Him.

In Bethlehem, they gave the Christ Child gold in a shrine-shaped casket, a sign that they

accepted Him as their King; frankincense, a symbol of His deity; and myrrh in a golden horn, a prophecy of His death.

Today's MEDITATION from The World's Most Widely Used Devotional Guide



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Read Ephesians 1:15-23.

Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. (Luke 2:15)

Much as we would like to visit the places where our Lord lived His earthly life, for most of us the journey to Bethlehem will be in spirit, a journey of faith. Perhaps that is the most important manner in which to make the pilgrimage. It is one we should all make this Christmas season.

On our journey we rediscover some basic elements in our faith. This is what Christmas should help us to do. We are reassured of God's love in that He came to earth in the form of a babe to redeem mankind. It is helpful for us to know that we are considered of such value in the sight of God that He would take action on our behalf.

We discover, too, that God is in his human situation — that we are not alone, nor entirely on our own. We are living in a friendly relation to God, who cares about what happens to us.

PRAYER
Almighty God, giver of all good gifts, we bless Thee for all Thy goodness and Thy love for us. May this anniversary of Thy Son's coming renew our hope, quicken our faith and deepen our love. In His name we pray, and to Thy name be glory evermore. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY
"God imparts to human hearts the blessings of His heaven."
— Lorne James Henry (Ontario)

Because the earth's atmosphere bends the moon's rays, the moon is not actually where it appears to be when looked at from the ground.

Old Faithful, Yellowstone National Park's famous geyser, erupts once every hour.

Carbon Monoxide Gas Can Kill

College Station — Cold weather requires that windows in the home and car be closed and increases the need for proper ventilation. A potential killer, warns the Texas Farm and Ranch safety Council, is a product of poor ventilation and goes by the name of carbon monoxide gas.

Every year Texans die from this odorless, colorless and tasteless gas. Deaths from this cause are most common during the winter months and usually result from a high, open fire in a room without proper ventilation, a clogged flue, unvented gas stoves or defective gas stoves or leaky exhausts on the automobile.

Keeping an automobile in good running order is good insurance against carbon monoxide poisoning. Leak free combustion and exhaust systems, points out the Council, are of major importance. Many automobile accidents result from carbon monoxide and studies have shown the presence of the gas may cause a driver to blackout or fall asleep. It is always wise, says the Council, to keep a vent or window partially open while driving. Letting a car engine run in a closed garage is extremely dangerous.

Symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning include headache, dizziness, eye blurring, nausea and fluttering or throbbing of the heart. A check of heating equipment and attention to ventilation will eliminate most of the chances for these symptoms to hit you, concludes the Council.

A Taste Treat If Deer Properly Handled

College Station — People often say that deer are fine for hunting but no good for eating. Ed Cooper, extension wildlife specialist, disagrees with the "no good for eating" part. He says a deer properly dressed and cared for makes wonderful eating.

The first step to a delicious venison meal is to dress the deer immediately after it is killed. If the animal does not bleed thoroughly as a result of the bullet wound, the large veins in the throat should be cut near the base of the neck. After this is done, remove the entrails and other body organs immediately, says Cooper.

If the deer is not to be placed in cold storage immediately, it should be hung in a cool, dry place. The body cavity can be

wiped clean with a dry cloth, and should be opened so cool air can lower the body temperature rapidly. The most important thing here is to protect the carcass from flies, dirt and other sources of contamination.

Cooper points out that it is also important to protect the deer from heat and exhaust fumes when hauling it to cold storage.

After the carcass has been placed in cold storage, it should be kept there, at a temperature just above freezing, for at least a week. This aging process will insure greater tenderness and quality.

Let a butcher or locker plant employee butcher, wrap and freeze your deer. This will insure better cuts, proper wrapping and quick freezing. While the deer is being processed the less desirable cuts can be made into sausage, hamburger or chili meats.

If venison is marinated before it is cooked the flavor will be greatly improved, says Cooper. There are many recipes available for marination, but a simple one

is to soak the meat for at least an hour before cooking in a shallow pan containing 50 percent vinegar and 50 percent water.

Handle your deer properly, cook it properly and you will have a taste treat in store for you and your family.

STRAIGHTENING OUT LINE

If the boat trip home from the fishing grounds is a long one, part of the time can be put to good use by trolling the line free behind the boat.

Use no hooks, sinkers or leaders. Just peel all the line off the reel spool and troll it behind the boat for 10 to 15 minutes.

This free trolling will remove dirt from the line. Also it will take out twists and kinks acquired in the day's fishing.

Wyoming granted women suffrage in 1869.

Man's first weapon in warfare was the slingshot.

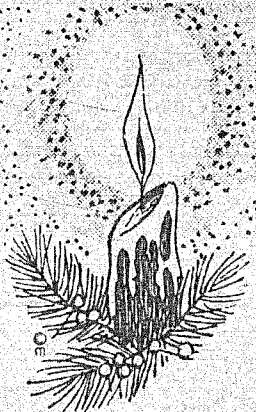
Attend church regularly.

Merry Christmas

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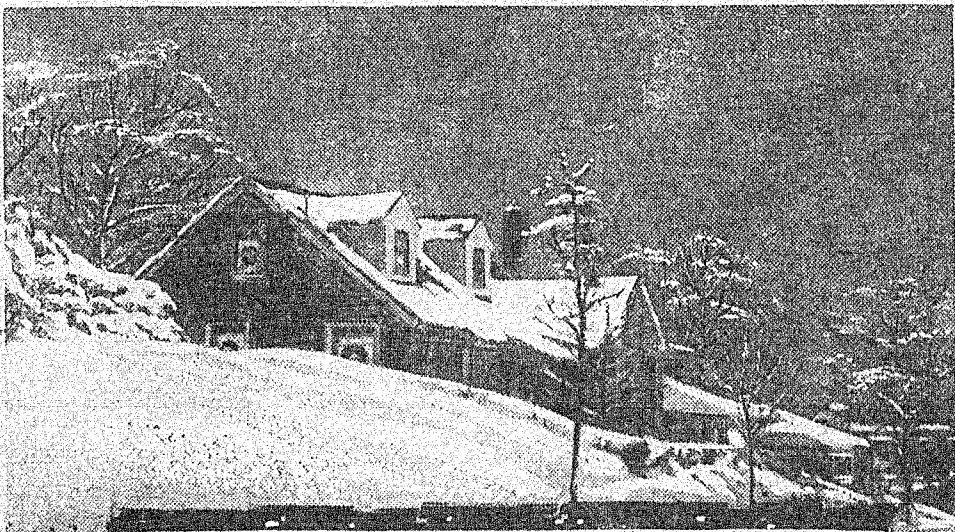
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COTTAGE ANTIQUE SHOPE



Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas

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Merry Christmas

To our many good friends and customers we would like to extend the greetings of the Season and our warmest appreciation for your valued patronage.

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106 East St.

Coleman, Texas

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ESTELLE'S LADIES SHOP

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Science Symposium For High School Students in Austin

Eleven Texas investor-owned electric utility companies and the University of Texas will again sponsor a nuclear science symposium for high school students and teachers. It was announced recently by Cal Young, president of West Texas Utilities Company. West Texas Utilities Company is a member of the Texas Atomic Energy Research Foundation and Young is president of the Foundation. The Foundation is a non-profit organization made up of the eleven electric power companies of Texas. The symposium will be held in Austin, June 10-13, 1962.

This will be the second nuclear science symposium sponsored by the utility group and the University of Texas. Last June some 400 selected high school science students and teachers from all over the state attended a four-day meeting which featured a number of nationally known scientists including Dr. Wilford F. Libby, Nobel prize-winner from the University of California at Los Angeles.

The symposium is part of a continuing program of the Texas Atomic Energy Research Foundation to advance knowledge of

nuclear science through research and education," Young said.

"Purpose of the meetings," Young said, "is to supply basic information to our high school science students and teachers about nuclear science and related fields of mathematics and physics and also to give them an opportunity to meet with outstanding scientists from across the country."

Member companies of the Foundation also sponsor one-day science symposiums for high school students and teachers in their service areas. Thus far, nine such meetings have been held over the state, attended by some 9,000 students and teachers.

The Texas Atomic Energy Research Foundation is co-sponsoring with the General Atomic Division of General Dynamics Corporation the world's largest privately-financed research effort to control nuclear fusion for the eventual generation of electric power. The research is being carried on at the General Atomic laboratories in San Diego, California.

Member companies of the Foundation are: Central Power & Light Company, Community Public Service Company, Dallas Power & Light Company, El Paso Electric Company, Gulf States

Utilities Company, Houston Lighting and Power Company, Southwestern Electric Power Company, Southwestern Public Service Company, Texas Electric Service Company, Texas Power & Light Company and West Texas Utilities Company.

Korean Vets Being Mailed Dividend on "W" Ins. Policies

More than \$29,500,000 in special dividend checks are in the process of being mailed to more than 400,000 Korean Conflict Veterans who hold "W" type government insurance policies, John S. Gleason Jr., Administrator of Veterans Affairs, announced today.

The mailing of these special dividend checks is expected to be completed early in December, the VA head said. An additional 200,000 Korea Veterans who have not yet converted nor exchanged their government "RS" insurance for the "W" type policies will also become eligible for special dividend checks if they convert or exchange before the time limit, September 14, 1963.

World War I and World 2 Veterans are not included in the present dividend distribution. They hold either United States

Government Life Insurance (U-SGLI) or National Service Life Insurance (NSLI) and have already received regular dividend payments this year plus a special dividend payment.

The average dividend now being mailed to "W" insurance policyholders will be about \$72, depending upon the amount of the policy and the length of time it has been in force, the VA explained.

Each of the remaining "RS" policyholders will receive a letter from VA within the next few weeks explaining the advantages of changing to "W" type policies.

"RS" insurance was issued to Korean Conflict Veterans discharged between April 25, 1951, and December 31, 1956, as five-year term policies not eligible for dividends. The new type "W" policies, which are eligible for this dividend, were established in January 1958, and methods of conversion or exchange to either a permanent plan or a five-year plan were announced at that time.

"W" insurance VA emphasized, is non-participating and therefore not eligible for regular dividends. Under a bill signed into law September 13, 1961, the special dividend now being paid is being drawn from a surplus which was built up in the non-participating "RS" insurance fund. There will be no further payments.

The 20,049 Texas veterans will receive \$1,442,550 as their share.

Midland Lions Sponsor Candidate For 2A-1 Governor

Midland — The Midland Downtown Lions Club announces its sponsorship of Lion David M. (Doc) Ellis for governor of District 2A-1, Lions International, for 1962-63.

Copies of a resolution adopted by the club and endorsing Ellis' candidacy have been mailed to all clubs in the huge West Texas district, which now is headed by Governor J. T. Jones of Goldthwaite. Delegations from Midland's Downtown Club will visit the district clubs early next year.

Ellis currently is serving as deputy district governor at large.

He is a charter member and past president of the Midland Downtown Lions Club. He has served the district as zone chairman, public relations director and as cabinet secretary-treasurer. He has assisted in the organization of more than 30 new Lions Clubs in West Texas during the last several years. He is the holder of the Monarch Key for bringing more than 150 new members into Lionism.

Ellis is also active in membership work of the Midland Chamber of Commerce and in affairs of the Boy Scouts and the First Baptist Church.

A resident of Midland since 1924, Ellis currently is serving as justice of the peace here.

WANT COTTON BOWL TICKETS?

Sorry, all sold out. These words have fallen on many a disappointed ear belonging to a would-be Cotton Bowl attendee. To help decrease the number

of disappointed, the Cotton Bowl has twice been expanded. Once in 1948 by adding 21,924 seats and again in 1949 by the addition of 7,073 seats.

Realizing the competition for tickets, sales for the bonds to finance the expansion of the Bowl were spurred by promising bond and option holders priority on tickets.

It worked, too. And now 19,982 Cotton Bowl seats are set aside

and given priority to the holders of the bonds and options. These priorities last for 20 years.

Bond holders of 1948 receive priority to buy one ticket for each \$100 bond held. The other priority goes to those who paid \$50 for a ticket option in 1949 to finance the construction of the east deck. The option holder's priority is limited to the upper deck tickets.



IT'S CHRISTMAS

...and may the joys of Christmas abound in your heart always.

Goodgion Lumber Co.



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State Representative, 77th District

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District Judge, 119th District

E. C. GRINDSTAFF

District Attorney, 119th District

GORDON GRIFFIN, Jr.

District Attorney, 35th District

G. A. (Tode) HENSLEY

District Clerk

FRANK LEWIS

County Judge

WALLACE E. DINGUS

County Attorney

LEE F. CRAIG

County Clerk

JOHN SKELTON

County Tax Assessor-Collector

MONTE GIDEON

County Treasurer

JOHN SMITH

County Sheriff

D. E. LOVELESS

County School Superintendent

WALTER C. HOLT

Commissioner, Precinct No. 2

W. EARL IRICK, Sr.

Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 7

Christmas
JOY...

As we raise our voices in songs of Christmas cheer, let us remember its eternal message of hope.

Santa Anna Tile Co., Inc.

AND EMPLOYEES

Church, Home Devotions Show Holy Meaning of the Holiday

More than a holiday, Christmas is a holy day. In church services and private devotions, Christians commemorate a night of awe and wonder nearly 2,000 years ago, when a Star shone above a Child born in a manger, when angels sang and shepherds watched.

December 25 — as even the youngest children know — is the date. And yet, in the first centuries of the Christian church, there was no celebration of the birth of Christ, no Christmas.

There were festivals in the Decembers of those times, but they were pagan festivals.

December 25 was the date of the Mithraic rites of the birth of the sun — Mithras, the Persian god of light. Teutonic tribes in Northern Europe celebrated the rebirth of the sun at the winter solstice with a Yuletide season of feasting and rejoicing, while the Roman's winter festival, the Saturnalia, was held at about the time that is now the Christmas season.

How then did December 25 come to be, not a day of pagan festivals, but a day dedicated to Christian devotions?

Some scholars believe that the Christian church may have set December 25 as Christ's birth date in order that the traditions of winter festivals might be hallowed by association with the Nativity. When the date was established in the fourth century A. D., other dates that were considered included January 1, March 21, March 29, April 9 and September 29.

Christmas began to be generally celebrated on December 25 in the fifth century A. D. People continued the familiar merry-making customs of the winter festivals, but they linked them to Christmas instead of to pagan revelry.

Where formerly pagan peoples had looked to mythological gods of the sun as source of the rebirth of light, now they gradually changed to religious observances of the Saviour's birth,



BROKEN BOTTLES: "TRIPLE THREAT" ON OUR HIGHWAYS
A triple threat on the football field is fine, but a triple threat on the highway spells trouble. Broken bottles are the "triple threat" of our highways. They are accident hazards to traffic; they injure people who step on them; they start costly and dangerous roadside grass fires. The dangers of the triple threat increase during the football season. The Texas Highway Department asks Texas travelers to dispose of bottles in proper containers. Help keep the "triple threat" on the gridiron—not on the highway.

with its symbols of faith, hope and life eternal.

From the winter festivals come many of the traditions that are now part of Christmas. The Roman Saturnalia provided a model for Christmas feasting, the giving of gifts and the burning of candles.

Christmas lighting also derives from winter solstice rites, where lights played an important part. The Teutonic Yule feast contributed the customs of the Yule log and wassail bowl.

When winter festivals merged with Christmas, customs such as gift-giving gained a new and deeper meaning.

Christians felt that they should celebrate Christ's birthday with "gifts" for Him — commemorating Christmas with a renewal of resolve to perfect the virtues of generosity, compassion, peace, gratitude, and reverence. Giving to the less fortunate became important.

As Christmas became a holy day, many peoples began exchanging presents on other days, St. Nicholas' feast day, December 6, or Epiphany, January 6 for instance. In some countries these customs still continue, with Christmas reserved solely for worship.

Lights for Tree Traced to Luther

Decorating the Christmas tree with lights is a custom that some historians trace back to Martin Luther, the Reformation leader, Encyclopedia Americana researchers say.

After a walk one Christmas Eve under a brilliant starlight sky, Luther returned home and tried to reproduce the scene for his family by lighting candles on the Christmas tree.

KING ARTHUR'S YULE

According to story, the first Christmas in England was celebrated at the famous Round Table of King Arthur.

A chinook wind on the eastern slope of the Rockies can melt two feet of snow in 24 hours.

Yule Ends in Safe Blaze

Christmas can come to an end in a blaze of glory — and a safe one, too. Custom sets a date for the disposal of the tree by burning. It's January 6, the Twelfth Night of Christmas, or Epiphany, traditionally the night when the Three Wise Men, or Magi, made their visit to the Christ Child in Bethlehem.

The modern world, reviving the Twelfth Night custom of bonfires for disposing of the tree and other greenery, combines the safety factor with community spirit and fun.

Twelfth Night celebrations are planned in many communities in public parks for neighborhood groups. It's a great night for the kids and their parents.

Children bring the trees to the park, or the town collects them. On Twelfth Night everyone gathers around the bonfire of trees and greenery to sing carols.

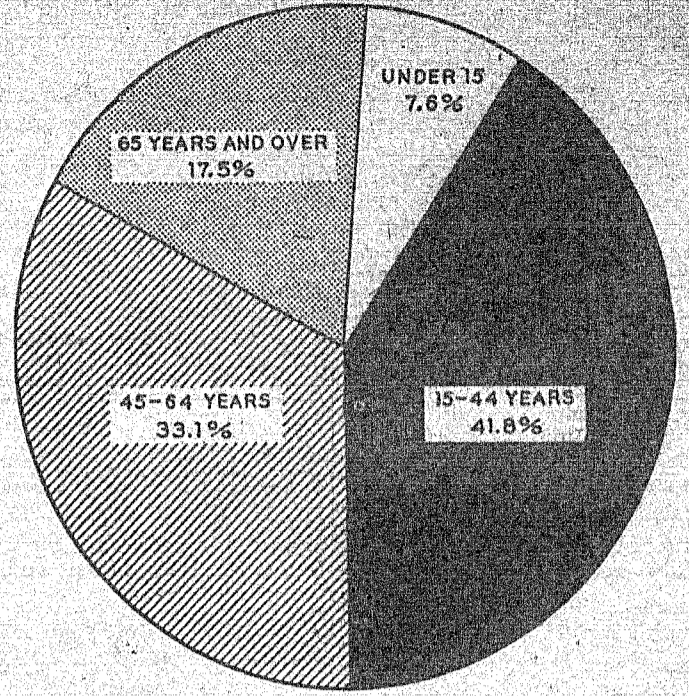
Of Greens . . .

At early Christmas celebrations, the most popular "greens" were holly, ivy, mistletoe and rosemary. An old story says that rosemary, emblem of constancy, was endowed with fragrance when Mary placed the Christ Child's garments on this shrub.

It was used at Christmas for many years, especially in England, but for some reason lost popularity as a decoration, about the time of the Victorian era.

The famous Christmas expression "Peace on earth, good will towards men" actually is a mistranslation. The original Greek, as written by Saint Luke, reads: "Peace on earth to men of good will."

Who Has TB?



TB overlooks no age group, and, as the chart above shows, the percentage of active cases in the United States is largest in the 15 to 44 age group. Three-quarters of those hit are in the productive years, 15 to 64. Christmas Seal contributions can help protect you from TB, whatever your age may be.



As Yuletide carolers herald the Season of Joy and Happiness, may we chime in with a note of gratitude for the loyal patronage of our many friends.

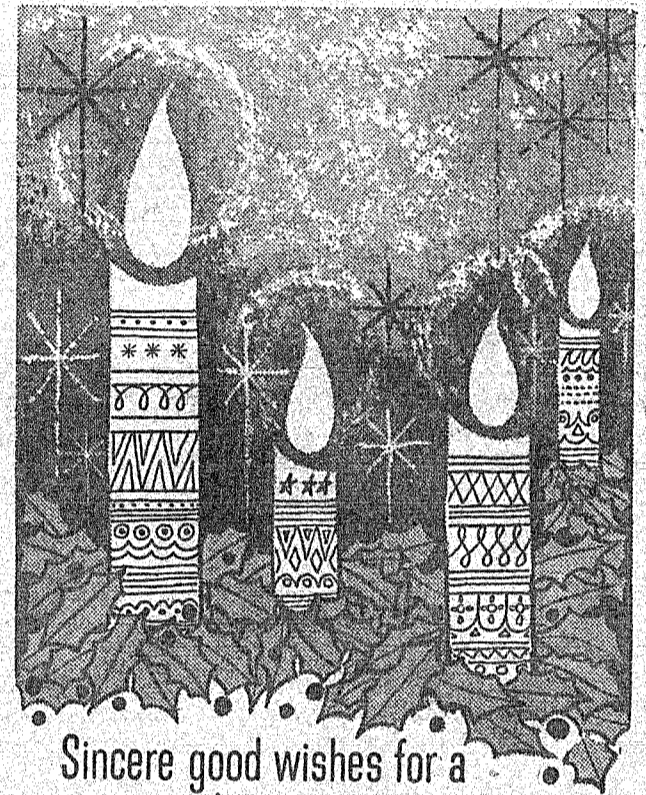
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Santa Anna Co-op Gin

Caroling Everywhere, But Start of Custom is Obscure

"Oh come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant."
 "Silent night, holy night."
 "God rest you merry, gentlemen."
 "It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old."
 "Oh little town of Bethlehem."
 "Deck the halls with boughs of holly."

"On the first day of Christmas."
 "Wherever people gather, the glad sounds of hymns and carols ring out at Christmas time, as they have for centuries."
 "Although the words and music of favorite carols are well known, the meaning of the word 'carol' itself is obscure. One explanation

holds that it comes from the old French word "caroler", meaning "to dance." The first carols were often sung by worshippers dancing in a circle.

There is also the belief that "carol" comes from the Greek word for flute player, in compliment to the musicians who played for the Christmas ring-dances. Still another thought is that carols originated with the songs of the Roman Saturnalia.

The name "Father of the Christmas Carol" is often given to St. Francis of Assisi. At Greccio in 1224, he arranged a Nativity scene and led the singing of songs to praise the Christ Child. Although carols had been sung earlier, this act by St. Francis gave impetus to the idea of happy singing at the Christmas season.

Early carols were in Latin. As carols gained popularity during the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries, many people preferred to sing in their own languages, and new carols were developed.

The growth of carols was helped along by "wassailing" or "gooding" expeditions. Children went from house to house, singing songs and receiving treats.

Wynkyn de Word, apprentice to the famous English printer, Caxton, issued the first printed book of carols in 1521.

Later, English people learned carols from printed "broadsides" which sold for a penny. When the Puritans abolished holiday observances in the seventeenth century, the broadsides were still printed and "bootlegged" to the public.

Students of Christmas stories might be puzzled whether it was a case of carol singing or carol stinging in an English legend. According to the legend, bees used to gather on Christmas Eve to hum carols.

RESTORING BUCKTAILS

Bucktails that are discolored and matted can be restored to almost "like new" condition by holding them in a jet of steam or over a pot vigorously boiling water.

Attend church regularly.

Parties Are Fun, Can Be Impromptu

Parties on Christmas Day are not only fun, they're almost inevitable! The family gets together, neighbors drop in, other friends arrive to deliver gifts and greetings and, suddenly, it's a party.

For groups large or small, parties planned or impromptu, the editors of The Book of Knowledge suggests these entertaining ideas:

Exchanging gifts. Attach each gift card to a long string, then fasten the string to the gift package. Make a gifts chimney from cardboard covered with Christmas wrapping paper, or cover a round container such as a wastebasket.

Place the gifts in the fireplace and have guests or members of the family find their gifts by following the name cards and strings, through the other entangling strings, to the gift packages.

Carols. Singing carols to piano, radio or record accompaniment is a favorite Christmas Day pastime. For larger groups, a variation on this is to have a "carol mixer."

Using several carols, give everyone the name of a Christmas carol. Each person walks around the room, humming the assigned carol, and listening for others humming the same tune. Those with the same melody band together in a group.

Then each group sings its selection for the others — and as a finale, all groups sing their separate carols at the same time.

Artists' March. Have each person pin a card or sheet of blank paper on the person in front of him. The leader starts a single-file march around the room, to Christmas music.

While marching, each person struggles to draw a reindeer, or other appropriate Christmas subject, on the card pinned to the player in front of him. To add to the difficulty and the fun, the leader can take the file around in circles or weave in and out of the line.

After the march is over, the results are exhibited and, if an extra gift is handy, a prize can be awarded to the person judged to have drawn something that best resembles a reindeer.

KEEP DOLPHIN IN WATER

When you catch a dolphin offshore, don't bring the fish immediately into the boat. Let it thrash around in the water. This will attract other dolphin in the immediate vicinity.

Some marine biologists say dolphin are able to communicate with each other, and they theorize that the hooked fish makes sounds that attract other dolphin.

FISHING SNAGGY WATERS
 When fishing snaggy waters, tie your sinker on with light line. Then if you foul up, you can

jerk the rig loose and lose only the sinker.
GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY.



May the sweet joys of Christmas fill the hearts of you and yours, now and evermore.

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Endorse This Check, Please

Most people today have checking accounts. As negotiable instruments, checks allow you to transfer money easily.

Two main ways to negotiate checks: by delivery or by endorsement and, now and then, by assigning them.

For checks made out to "cash" or "bearer," delivery alone negotiates them. It's not a good idea to make out checks this way. Any holder can cash the check without endorsement — a thief, a finder or some other unauthorized person. A merchant cashing it may still have you sign the check for identification.

You negotiate checks made out to named payees by endorsement. There are several kinds.

1. A blank endorsement: The endorser just signs his name, usually a poor idea. Anyone getting hold of it can negotiate it by delivery. As the endorser, you may have to pay if it bounces.

2. Special endorsements say who gets the money. On the

check's back, you may write "pay to the order of John Jones," followed by your name. If Jones cashes it, he must sign it, a way to show that he got the check.

3. Some endorsements cut off further negotiations: You sign a check, "for deposit only," "for collection only," "Pay to Joe White only." This means no further negotiation.

4. Qualified endorsements remove endorser's liability if the check bounces. Here you write "without recourse" on the check's back and sign your name.

When would you use such a check? Suppose you are collecting funds for your club, a debt for a friend, or a business associate. The debtor makes out the check to you. You have no stake in the check; you just want to pass it on to its rightful owner. But you may have to endorse it, though you don't want to guarantee it. Should the check bounce after negotiation to other people you don't want to hold the bag as an endorser. The qualified endorsement solves this

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker



THE AMERICAN WAY



An Impossible Task

promoters who have purchased automobiles in the Gulf area, after they have been totaled by insurance companies, and are reselling them in other parts of the state to purchasers who are unaware of the salt water damage.

TADA is a state-wide organization of franchised automobile dealers, with headquarters in Austin.

"We have received reports of persons who have made special trips to purchase quantities of these new cars," Pittman continued. "After cleaning them up and removing factory stickers, they are selling them without advising the purchasers of the certainty of quick deterioration

from salt rust. The public in the Gulf area is educated to this type of damage and therefore most of these cars are being sold in Central, North and West Texas.

"To protect themselves from such losses, automobile purchasers should beware of suspicious bargains, and should buy their automobiles only from well-known, established dealers in their own communities," Pittman stressed. "No legitimate dealer would handle such a sale. This same type of unscrupulous activity cost many hard working families their life savings when they purchased automobiles brought in from Louisiana after Hurricane Audrey," he added.

problem.

5. A conditional endorsement limits the rights of the person getting the check. "Pay to the order of John Jones, upon completion of my home." It calls upon John Jones to honor this condition. But such an endorsement does not always work. Jones can still negotiate it or cash it at a store or bank. Only he is subject to the condition, not the store or bank. Such an endorsement may at least fix your rights between you and Jones.

When you endorse a check (except "without recourse"), you guarantee that it is good, even though the first maker may make a stop payment or deny that the reasons for making the check exist.

(This newsfeature, prepared by the State Bar of Texas, is

written to inform — not to advise. No person should ever apply or interpret any law without the aid of an attorney who is fully advised concerning the facts involved, because a slight variance in facts may change the application of the law.)

Buyers Of Autos Should Watch For Salt Water Damage

Purchasers of automobiles have been warned to be on the lookout for vehicles with salt water damage from Hurricane Carla.

H. C. Pittman, executive vice president of the Texas Automobile Dealers Association, said, "According to reports received in our office, scores of persons throughout Texas are being victimized by unscrupulous bargain



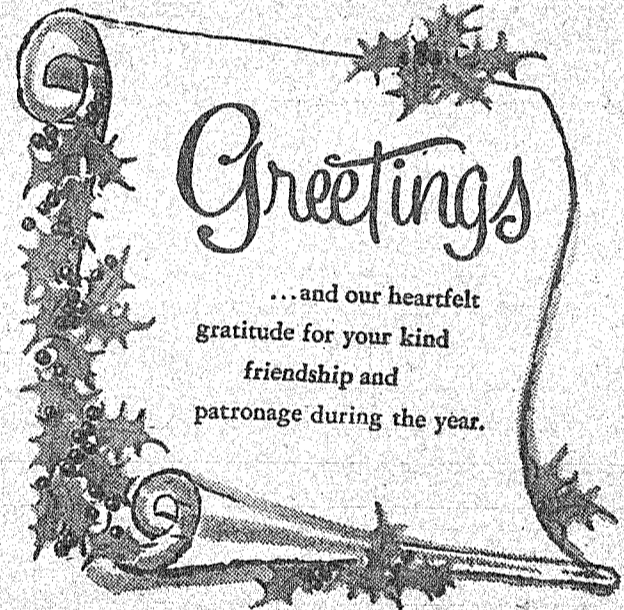
Merry Christmas
Happy New Year

GRIFFIN TURKEY FARM

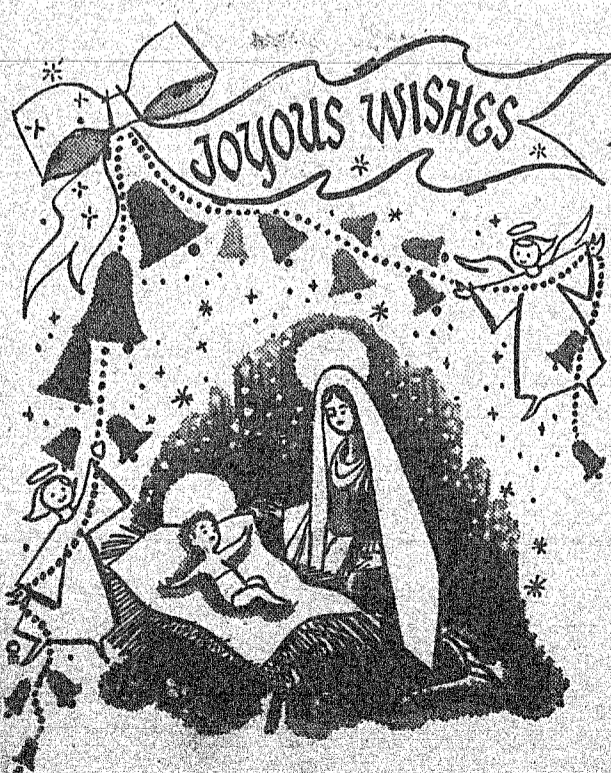


Best wishes for a day filled with happiness.

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