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A CHRISTMAS Message From a Jungle

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This letter from New Guinea was written a year ago by Sergeant Jimmy Lowthers who was transferred to New Guinea from Australia. He wears the Order of the Purple Heart for bravery in battle. Medford, a suburb of Boston, Mass., is his home town.

Somewhere in New Guinea.

Y pop used to say, "It looks like a white Christmas, Jim." I can tell you one thing, it won't be a white Christmas here.

We have plenty of three things in New Guinea-rain, mud and Japs. We can get rid of the Japs, but the mud and rain hangs on.

It's no use trying to keep dry and clean in this environment, but we are getting used to it and chiefly concentrating on the job in hand of getting the Japs out of New Guinea. We're making steady progress at that job. and one thing that makes me feel good about the outcome and about the American Army is the conduct of our officers -generals, colonels, majors and allwhen a scrap is imminent. Only a few days ago, just before an attack pushed off, they were right with the lowly private on the jump-off point. Everybody had a tommy gun or rifle, some a few grenades. It seemed funny to see the big shots, who didn't have to be there, getting ready to take a crack at the little yellow man.

It was no easy job. The Japs had been in these positions for months and had reinforced machine-gun pits with concrete. Usually around the pits were snipers on the ground and on platforms built at various heights in trees. There wasn't any whistle to signal the start of the attack but just the words, "Okay, let's go in."

Japs Start Firing

We hadn't gone thirty yards through the thick underbrush when the Japs started firing. Everybody dropped, then started sneaking ahead on their bellies. You could only see two or three

U. S. A.

through the jungle to meet the Japanese

Southwest Pacific and

the American and

British expeditionary

the Germans on the

Yet this latest Christ-

mas is similar in many

respects to that first

Christmas when the

Prince of Peace was

born in Bethlehem.

Herod and Hitler are

not so very far apart.

There was social and

economic unrest then;

there is social and eco-

nomic unrest now. The

world needed a new

spiritual life-and got

it—then, as it needs

and is getting it now.

lines are keeping the

faith. They are fight-

ing for the right with

the song of the Lord in

their hearts. I know. I

have been there. I was

with the first Ameri-

can contingent to land

on Australian soil. I

world for my experi-

ences, for they gave me

a spiritual sharpening

of my own faith, just

as similar experiences

are causing a tremend-

ous revival of faith in

the hearts and souls of

hundreds upon hun-

soldiers who, perhaps,

in the careless years of

The men in the front

Italian front.

The SOLDIER'S

By CHAPLAIN EDWARD J. BURNS, he moves up toward the front, almost

be celebrated by American boys keep- rather, a glorious, a dignified, an in-

ing their lonely vigil in the bleak fast- spiring faith, and it sustains the soldier

nesses of Iceland. It will be solemnly on and near the field of battle. Again

on the steaming little islands of the jeeps, racing over the dusty roads of

noted by others slashing their way I know, for I have seen it happen.

HERE never has been a Christmas near, he thinks about it and takes steps

quite like the one that the year of to demonstrate it more and more. It our Lord 1943 will bring. It will is not a faith of fear, however, it is

By SERGEANT JIMMY LOWTHERS Up ahead I could hear somebody hollering, "Come out and fight, you dirty yellow ---." It was the captain of the company in that area. The fellow in front of me went head first into the bushes. He was hit. I hauled him onto the path as the medico went by and he gave him treatment.

> I started ahead, but I didn't get very for when, blowie, everything went red and I am on my back. My helmet had a lovely bullet crease in it and I am thanking Uncle Sam for making good steel. We got the Japs out and on the pits. It goes

on and on. Headquarters had a few casualties. One general got it through the arm, but he came away grinning. This seems

a good time to pay a little tribute to the natives of the island. We American boysowe them a lot. The Aussies call them Fuzzie Wuzzies and they certainly are fuzzy. Transportation is always pack, and Fuzzy Wuzzies are the pack horses. They can carry

tremendous loads mile after mile.

We followed them on a long hike and soon caught wise to one of their methods of getting a fresh drink in the junmen around in the thick underbrush. gle. Whenever they would stop, one or

always when the presence of death is

I have been with American fliers in

two natives would climb trees and knock down dozens of cocoanuts. We would open cocoanuts in the approved native fashion and drink the cool, delicious liquid that guggled inside.

What We Shall Miss

I guess we're going to miss the brightly lighted trees and holly decorated windows at Christmas, the smile on every one's face and the kids popeyed in anticipation of Santa Claus. Medford —that's my home town in New England -is a thriving city in suburban Boston. Each year the city government does the town brilliantly with Christmas adorn- want to be back home. But I think ments. There's a large tree in the Christmas for us won't be a day of run till we hit another line of concrete square and carolers are singing on yearning for things gone by but a time

"We don't like this business of war but somehow it makes the thoughts of home and of Christmas all the

Christmas Eve. I won't be there this ing, "Merry Christmas." It won't run

Christmas over New Guinea, I imagnight and the night before that. In the jungle all active life ceases except for insects, and animals that cry out as they move about; these, even the closeness of war cannot erase.

Once darkness falls we don't move, for that might mean a shot in the back. particularly toward the first—he After all, to our way of thinking, it doesn't always think about it, but might be a Jap. Strangely enough, the it's there. Later, particularly when darkness brings a certain safety over our encampments.

> In a surprise attack at night a short time ago, our boys went to town in a Jap bivouac area. Because of the speed and precision of the push, our casualties were low and Tojo had quite a few soldiers who will fight no more. The area was set afire and the desolation that greeted our eyes on the following morning was appalling. Two Japs had stayed inside buildings rather than face the avenging Americans. Their bodies remained, charred and misshappen, for

> conducted many services but never shall I forget that one, for it showed me that the men of the Army have faith, and it sustains them.

> Faith also has acted in practical ways to help the men physically as well as spiritually. There is a very wonderful story of which I have personal knowledge. It involves a boy I knew well. I had baptized him and had assisted at his marriage. He became a pilot of a fighter plane. Always around his neck was a religious medal. He no more would fly without it-or, for that matter, go anywhere without it—than he would enter combat in the air without his parachute.

> Forced one day to bail out of his plane over desolate country, he landed wounded and exhausted on the beach of a small island. Fierce natives surrounded him and would have killed him, defenseless as he was, had not the chief seen and recognized the medal around his neck. With a simplicity that was as eloquent as the words spoken from the richest and most fashionable pulpit in the land, the leader of the tribe said, in broken English: "No hurt you-Jesus Number One Man." Yes, and Jesus is "Number One Man" in the hearts of hosts of our soldiers, wherever they may be. Praise God for this.

The Hell of Bataan

From the hell of Bataan came an exatheists in foxholes." The average soldier-be he in foxhole or training camp back home—is deeply cognizant of the existence of a Supreme Being and his utter dependence upon Him. It may but the belief is deep and sincere.

of the American soldier than by quoting from a letter written to his parents by a young lieutenant who was on duty with General Wainwright in the tragic

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most of the day until we could at landing barges filled with troops in find time to dig a hole to bury rainy weather.

Changed in Appearance

We have changed in appearance a lot as well as in mind. Heavy beards are in style, our clothes need a cleaner, and broken fingernails and calloused hands are the common property of officers and men alike. Big waistlines have gone the way of all flesh. Long grueling marches through the mountains and jungles have taken care

We are tough now and savage like this savage country. We have learned how to kill. We don't like it, but it is the business of war. Somehow it only makes thoughts of home and the pleasantness of Christmas all the more close and keen. Of course, I-and all of us-

> of greater determinat i o n all this strife and hardship of us could have that home. day would be

sand stars. Crunchy foot and a holy stillness that makes a man speak in whispers. Carols and fireworks at night and friends say-

like that here. The night probably will be muggy or wet with rain. We will Christmas: Merry Christmas to all ine, will be identical with the previous hope it won't, for the Japs are experts Americans from New Guinea's jungle.

Our Kind of Gifts

My Christmas here won't be spent in the usual way of giving and receiving' gifts, feasting on old gobbler, having my sister, Betty, tell me to take it easy on the mince pies because I know what they do to me. We'll be giving a few gifts—to the Japs—only they won't be wrapped and tied with tinsel thread.

I remember a Christmas drawing that drew a lot of comment from the boys last year—our last Christmas at home. It was truly a work of art. The drawing was a great favorite among the soldiers. One of these soldiers was shown hurrying up the walk of his best girl's home. He was just getting in from camp for his Christmas furlough. His arms were full of gifts for his one and only. She was dashing madly to meet him, a smile of joy on her face.

What We Are Fighting For

I sometimes wonder if a new callousto make a ness to death and life that we acquire quick end to will change our desire for simple pleasures such as Christmas joys-if we come through. I don't think so. They should be dearer to each soldier instead of more foreign. The reason we are fighting is to get back to and retain the simple pleasures of Christmas and

Yeah, it is almost Christmastide and a letter from for the first time in my twenty-six years I am not at home. I am 15,000 A perfect miles from home. We can't get home Christmas this year in actual being but we've got Eve would be our memories.. We will be there in a crisp, cold spirit. Cheer up, moms and dads, wives. sky, brilliant sweethearts. We are on the other with a thou- team's goal line and it is going to be a plunge right through center. Some of us are going to get hurt, but you will snow under- see most of the boys after its all over. Take it from me.

By the way, a Merry Christmas from pals of mine who are fighting the Japs here—also from a little Mexican lad who laughs when he goes into battle, from a drawling Southerner named Tommy who is a bear with a Tommy gun, from a Californian who is the best man on a mortar I know, from a kid from Massachusetts who regrets that he cannot buy the kids some toys this

HOLLYWOOD'S

(Gopyrighted-The Chicago Tribune) · Hollywood.

HRISTMAS season finds Hollywood boulevard looking like a ghost town compared with its brilliantly lighted Santa Claus lane of previous years. What with wartime regulations and dim-out rules, Hollywood's gay white way is dark and murky as Dugan's back alley. The brightly lighted metal Christmas trees which have draped the street lamps for the last few years (ever since they were adopted to save our supply of evergreens) have now been donated to the scrap metal drive, and huge papier-mache figures of Santa Claus have been put up all along the boulevard to preserve the spirit of Christmas and keep the children happy.

But our real Santa Claus, who for the

last 12 years has ridden up and down the boulevard each evening for a month before Christmas in a beautiful red and gold sleigh with reindeer, all mounted on a huge float, won't be with us this year, 'cause he's too busy on a war job to ride anything but his trusty bicycle that takes him to and from

work. This bit of pageantry was turned into one of our most fabulous and beloved traditions. Mammas, papas, and children from miles around would line up along the curbs of Hollywood each night to watch it.

Tom Mix Was Grand

to head the Santa Claus parade. Marshal Hollywood "opening" the night after and wonder in all those upturned faces. pression that has been widely quoted Thanksgiving. A parade which took It does something to you-I don't care through the country: "There are no an hour to pass would form at one end how sophisticated you may think you of Holywood boulevard, move slowly to the other end and back again. Tom Mix, as grand marshal, and his horse, Tony, used to lead it in the old days. Since Tom's death Leo Carrillo, who's require the proximity of danger in some always been one of our greatest showform or other to make this manifest, men, has taken over. He always had a truck precede him, throwing back a I can think of no better way to close dazzling white spotlight on him and his batic days one time and turned somerthis summation of the revival of faith horse, and even had neon lights on his saults all over the place for them. The palomino horse's bridle and saddle (with Andrews sisters once gave things a a battery concealed in the saddlebag). I wonder what Leo is going to do this year. He loves a parade above all things, and since there's no big parade has always included among his guests to lead, I wish he'd just put some dim- a few young newcomers to pictures-"I have seen some horrible things mer's on his horse's lights and parade which not only added youth and beauty

Following the leader would be bands

galore, drum majorettes, floats filled with movie stars; some of the more energetic ones would even hoof it. And bringing up the rear would be Santa Claus in his sleigh, with shimmering diamond-bright artificial snow being blown about by a wind machine ahead. and always two or three guests riding with him. To an accompaniment of "Jingle Bells" and "Holy Night," Santa would call greetings through his megaphone and wave to the children of all ages lined along the curb, and introduce his guests, who in turn would wave and smile. Hollywood was truly "one big happy family" on that night.

Heart-Warming Memories

So as Christmas approaches this year the heart-warming memories of brighter seasons live over again as wa turn

from Hollywood's darkened boulevard with longing and regret.

Mary Pickford rode as Santa's first guest when the parade was originated. And Pat O'Brien has been an old reliable. He's ridden numerous times, bringing his two youngsters, Mavourneen and Sean but I doubt if they enjoyed it any more than their dad, who would grin and wave at the exurberant fans, with good old sentimental Irish tears trickling out the corners of his eyes.

I've had the honor of being Santa's guest myself a couple of times, and I never realized just what this celebration means to the children until I took that first ride several

It started each year with a typical years ago and saw for myself the light

The late Tom Mix and Tony used

Brought Along the Seven Dwarfa

Walt Disney would ride each year, and once brought along the seven little dwarfs of "Snow White," which made the youngsters squeal with delight. Joe E. Brown harked back to his acronovel touch by singing "Jingle Bells" in boogie-woogie tempo.

Besides the well known stars, Santa to the parade but gave the girls some

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"It is not a faith of fear, but a glorified faith, and it sustains the " soldier on the battle field.

uncertain peace, had become just a lit- Australia and Africa to their planes aftle bit rusty in the true meaning and ter an alert had sounded. As they took understanding of spiritual belief.

The Crisis of Faith

The crisis of faith produced by this grim and terrible war, in which so many of God's children are locked in mortal combat, is not exactly new. It is the heights of Heaven.

The soldier has faith. Sometimes— tilting floor of the open deck. I have

off for they knew not what I have heard them speak words of reverence over the roar of their motors. Thus I know they have the faith, and it sustains them.

Came Forth to Kneel in Piety

I never shall forget a certain Sunday same crisis through which religion has morning aboard the huge, gray hulk of passed so many times since the Arch- a transport which carried us thousands angel Michael, general of the Lord's of miles through dangerous waters. The days before Corregidor fell. The lieuforces, fought his decisive battle with lounge was entirely inadequate for the 'tenant's letter follows: Lucifer and hurled him from the number of men who wanted to pray, so they came forth to kneel in piety on the happen and have had my share of nar- himself down the boulevard.

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Green Trees of Christmas

ITHIN a few days Christmas trees will be set up in many American homes. Some of these trees will be lighted up even before Christmas Eve ushers in one of our most deeply religious holidays, which, this year more than ever before, has an especial meaning to all of us.

We doubt if the world ever will be so chaotic and troubled that the lights of a little Christmas tree will suffer a complete dim-out. To nearly all of us the everlasting green of these trees, a green that has defied the cold of winter, is in some respects a true symbol of the everlasting spiritual meaning of Christmas throughout the entire world.

Influence of the Life of

Jesus

influence of the life of Jesus

-which was all too brief-

has had its telling effect up-

on millions of lives. This

great nation was founded up-

on His teaching-equality,

freedom of worship, love and

service. In his brief min-

istry He represented no

our thoughts should go.

must forever represent the supreme day

of happiness, for they are the hope of

the world—a far better world than we

have ever known, let us hope and pray!

now put to the test-challenged as nev-

alive as a vital living thing in reshaping

the world, and in bringing to the en-

slaved, no matter where located, the

blessings of freedom, and that most

hoped for freedom-freedom from all

fear? The story of the manger must

remain as an inspiration to ever appease

The Holy Land

Some members of the American arm-

new, the land where Christ was born at

the hunger of the human heart.

The spiritual forces of the world are

For nearly 2,000 years the

once vast, busy ports. Today at Haifa, turn out fuel for ships and planes. Palestine, a British mandate since

World War I, lives mostly by agricul- American," said New H. Bearborn, exture and stock raising. Much of its ecutive vice-president of the Safety orange and lemon crops, its 200,000 Council. "A country that is fighting tons of grain and 2,500 tons of olive oil for its life simply can't afford to squana year, go to feed United Nations' soldiers and sailors. So have some of its livestock, sheep, cattle and goats. Its ing off twice as many people in traffic camels have helped a bit with transport.

There are some 960,000 Mohammedans, 471,000 Jews, and 125,000 Chris- indictment of home-front Americans." tians among Palestine's 1,568,000 population.

New Superbomber

The "final test" of the Army's new super-bomber, the B-29, "is not now far distant," Gen. H. H. Arnold, commanding the Army Air Forces, said in confirming recent reports that the Army's most powerful air-

craft are on their way. In non-specific terms General Arnold described the new bomber as a heavily

dogma. He left but one great rule for armored and armed plane which can fly action—and that, the Golden Rule. He extremely high and will have a "subwent about doing good. He was no re- stantially greater" range than the Flyspecter of persons. He knew the hu- ing Fortresses and Liberators but he made it clear that production of these Of all days of the year, Christmas- two types would continue to be "inthe Birthday of Jesus-should be the creased steadily.'

happiest! Back to that humble stable . The general said that the B-29 was as far ahead of the B-24 and B-17 as To children, most of all, Christmas they were beyond pre-war bombers. First experimental models of the B-29 were built at Seattle where engineering of the design was accomplished by the staff of the Boeing Company, originator of the B-17, and the new type was "evolved in secrecy during the past sever before. Can we keep Christianity eral years in close co-operation with the Army Air Forces and its material command.

> The new bomber will be powered with Wright engines and will use Hamilton standard propellers.

This battleship of the air is armored heavily with multiple gun and power turrets. It can fly at very high altitudes.



Auto Deaths Twice U. S. Losses in War

ed forces will spend Christmas in the greater menace to human life than war, age United States loss in bombers and Holy Land. Small detachments, in- the National Safety Council said in re- fighters in all sorties since the begincluding flyers, have been stationed in leasing a survey on national automobile ning of operations of the Eighth Air Palestine. It is a mixture of old and fatalities for nine months of 1943.

Bethlehem, where Solomon ruled at 21,940 Americans have been killed in same figure, Secretary Stimson said.

Jerusalem, and Tyre and Sidon were battle, and 65,170 others, not including prisoners, have been wounded or are principal port and terminus of an oil missing, while 46,000 have been killed pipe line from Iraq, great refineries in motor accidents and 1,600,000 others have been injured.

> "This should shame every loyal der its manpower at such a rate.

"The fact that we are needlessly killalone as are dying on the battlefield in defense of their country constitutes an

Record Corn Crop

The second largest corn crop on record in the United States-3,086,000,000 bushels- was forecast by the Department of Agriculture on the basis of conditions on November 1.

While the predicted 1943 crop would be 90,000,000 bushels less than last year's record production, it would exceed the average yield for the ten years of 1932 to 1941 by 736,000,000 bushels. Approximately 94,000,000 acres of corn are expected to be harvested this year compared with 89,484,000 a year ago.

The report credited the high production primarily to better farming practices and technical improvements.

Indicated production of Texas corn crop for 1943 is 86,688,000 bushels. In 1942 it was 78,561,000 bushels.

Air Loss Low, Stimson Says

Out of all the thousands of British and American planes that have participated in attacks on Europe and combats over the Continent, the average loss has been confined to less than 5 per cent, Henry L. Stimson, Secretary of War, revealed recently.

In another disclosure, Mr. Stimson said that in an attack by 501 American planes on northern France on October 24 not a single one of our craft was lost.

He declared also that since October 5 Gen. Douglas MacArthur had reported 715 Japanese planes destroyed in south and southwest Pacific areas and 125 others prabably destroyed—all against an American loss of only forty-three.

"While losses have occasionally been proportionately high in individual attacks, the over-all losses of British and American planes in operations over the Continent have averaged less than 5 per Motor vehicle accidents are still a cent. This figure represents the aver-Force in July, 1942. British losses, it Since Pearl Harbor, the survey shows. is understood, also do not exceed this

Accord Acclaimed by Moscow Press

The Soviet press hailed the Moscow conference's success as insuring the speedier defeat of Adolf Hitler and welcomed the Anglo-Soviet-American-Chinese post-war collaboration declaration with the enthusiastic comment that "the great democratic powers, comrades in arms today, tomorrow will become comrades in the struggle for the security of all peace-loving nations."

Secretary of State Cordell Hull, returning from the Moscow conference, where he played a leading role in laying the foundations for a durable peace and enhancing the effectiveness of the Allied military coalition, made this state-

"We agreed upon a broad basic program of international co-operation. The program contemplates the hastening of victory over the Axis powers, also the preservation of peace and the promotion of human welfare in the post-war rest."

"I believe that our country and other peace-loving countries have a vast opportunity to profit by the program of policies outlined by the Moscow conference. I have supreme faith that they will avail themselves of that opportuni-

Rubber Prospects for 1944

Rubber requirements of the United States will be practically met by the synthetic rubber production program by the end of next year, but a tight situation will exist in the meantime, Col. Bradley Dewey, Rubber Director, told a Senate Agriculture subcommittee.

Colonel Dewey, who was William M. Jeffers' deputy and who succeeded him when Mr. Jeffers resigned recently, said that 1943 requirements would cause drawing about 200,000 tons out of the country's current stockpile of 500,000 tons of natural rubber, bringing the reserve down to slightly below what the Baruch committee held to be an essential minimum reserve.

Requirements for next year he estimated at 950,000 tons, which, he said, would be about 50,000 tons above the year's supply available from synthetic and Western Hemisphere natural rub-

The country faces a rubber situation with not much margin, but one which can be met if the users of tires will exercise ordinary precautions, Colonel Dewey said.

What Soldiers Eat

A soldier or a sailor eats about one and a half times as much as a civilian, the War Food Administration says. He reduces civilian supplies only by the differences between what he ate as a civilian and what he eats now-the difference between 51/4 pounds a day compared with 33/4 pounds in civil life. The average weekly diet for a man in training includes: 6 1-5 pounds of meat; 7 eggs: 31/2 pounds of fresh milk, 11/8 pounds of evaporated milk; ice cream once a week; at least 1 pound of butter, margarine and other fats; 41/2 pounds of bread, cereal and other grains; 5 pounds of potatoes; 5 pounds of fresh canned vegetables; 41/2 pounds of tomatoes and citrus fruit; 2 pounds of other fruit. For men quartered in this country the Army and Navy require at least a three-month reserve supply; for men abroad, a nine-month supply.

Safe Winter Driving

Winter motoring, always more hazardous than that of other seasons, demands special precautions this year. There is extra congestion in the neighborhood of industrial plants, military as well established as it should be in and two women.

the interest of rubber conservationareas, increases the danger of night accidents.

The War Department and the International Association of Chiefs of Police have joined in prescribing simple but often neglected rules for winter driving based upon studies made by the National Safety Council. These include check-up of brakes, use of chains on snowy or icy roads (which cuts stopping distance some 50 per cent) and maintenance of windshield wipers, head lights. But more than any other one thing it is the attitude of the driver and the pedestrian that counts. Impatience, a careless effort to save at most a few seconds or minutes, may cost a life or cause a crippling injury.

"The Time Has Come to Attack"

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, commander in chief of the Pacific fleet, in his nation-wide radio address Armistice night, not only warned Japan that new and powerful offensive blows are coming, but virtually told the enemy where we propose to strike.

"Our time has come to attack," the Admiral declared. "Our northern flank in the Aleutians has been secured. In the South and Southwest Pacific intensified attacks have placed the Japs in a precarious position. In other areas he has been relatively unmolested but henceforth we propose to give him no

Nippon knows that there are only two "other areas"—the Central Pacific island bases and the Japanese home land. Hence, it should be clear to the enemy that the Pacific command proposes to strike first at Jap island defenses guarding Japan proper. Admiral Nimitz made it clear that the next blow will not be a hit-and-run raid such as the Navy has carried out in recent attacks on Wake Island and other island strongholds. For he emphasized that "the Jap has dug himself in. We must land and dig him out."

Admiral Nimitz is a hardbitten old seadog, who usually believes in letting the guns of his fleet talk for him. The very boldness of his words carries the implication to the enemy that we are now strong enough in the Pacific to carry out our plans and that the Navy will ask nothing better than for the Jap fleet to attempt to stop us.

His fighting words corroborate the previous statements of Gen. MacArthur and Admiral Halsey that the operations now under way in the Pacific are more than island-hopping campaigns. The time has come to attack, and Admiral Nimitz' words are assurance that the attack will be pressed home against the heart of Japan.

Lowest Death Rate Recorded for U.S.

The lowest death rate ever recorded for the United States was reported recently by the Bureau of the Census, the figure being 10.4 per 1,000 population for 1942, against 10.5 in 1941.

Fatalities in motor accidents dropped from 30 per 100,000 in 1941 to 21.2 last year and the death rate for pneumonia and influenza fell to 35.7 from 63.9.

However, in the fact of the general overall decline in the death rate, an increase was recorded in the rate for certain causes of death, such as heart disease, which rose from 290.2 in 1941 to 295.2 per 100,000 in 1942; cancer and other malignant tumors, from 120.2 to 122.1 and intracranial lesions of vascular origin, from 89.1 to 90.2. Most of the increase occurred in the diseases characteristic of old age.

Of the other principal causes of death, the nephritis rate dropped from 75.1 to 72.4; tuberculosis from 44.5 to 12.2, with only fractional changes in the death rate from premature birth and diabetes melitus.

Machine Tree-Planting

Tree seedlings have been successfully transplanted by machine near Muskegon, Mich. The machine used was originally designed to set out celery seedlings. It was slightly modified to accommodate the differently shaped and rooted young trees. During the past season nearly a million and a quarter pine seedlings were set out by the new method at an over-all cost of posts and construction projects. The 46.8 cents a thousand. Each machine share-your-car practice-not yet nearly is operated by a crew of three-one man

Folks in Uniform



Grass Root Reveries

By JOE GANDY

Winnsboro, Texas. (Copyright, 1943, by the Southwest Magazine Co.) THIS is going to be more of a children's Christmas, it seems. I, at least, shall welcome the change. Heretofore we grown-ups have about taken over Christmas—and made it to fit our own selfish ends. We give each oth-

itual significance. A spiritual awaken- author claims, will make \$2 drop into

ing has been long needed in America. Celebrating the birth of the Prince of Peace is an epochal time for parents to tell their children some of the adventures of this Prince of Peace who was born in Bethlehem, the land of Juda. He spent his youth in Nazareth, and there learned the carpenter's trade under His father, Joseph. While working as a

Christmastime.

carpenter among the village folks, He won, would be fatal. Buy war bonds was kind and helpful to them and taught and stamps for Christmas gifts. them to love and help one another.

than the life of Christ. From the beginning it reads like a great drama only to end in the profoundest and saddest of human tragedies.

If this is to be a children's Christmas, let's join them in making it merry. Dad and mom may be poor, not able to buy a lot of gifts for their children, but

day and share the joys and happy an- their work despite labor shortage. ticipations of their loved ones. This is saw few cattle and hogs on farms, which the real Christmas spirit and without . indicate most of them had been marit a family is doomed to a dull and list- keted. A good steak is as hard to find less holiday.

year and missed you might as well call menus feature fish and fowl. it off, for the Old Year is packing up er expensive gifts and give the children and soon will be checking out. I didn't grandma and grandpa. But the war is one or two thousand this year. But changing our thinking. This year we there isn't a chance. I am not in the want to make the children happy at red but so near it I can still see red when the red lights are turned off and the green lights are turned on. However, Turning of our thoughts more to the I am due to get a break in 1944. I some trend. Furthermore, it has spir- in "Earning and Saving," which, the

your pocket where only one dropped before.

> in the war. The darkthe home front and on described as follows: the battle front. A-let attitude that the war is

The Treasury Department reports The stores have low price editions of that more than 30,000,000 \$2 bills are the Life of Christ, written for children. in circulation. Where are they? I sel-If you do not have one of these books dom see a \$2 bill. All the bills I see in your home, buy one as a Christmas are the \$1 kind and I can't keep them gift for your child or for some one else's long enough to tell whether they have civic programs. As a one-gallus youngchild. No life had more of adventure George Washington's picture or Cordell ster, I can remember following our Hull's. The government also revealed hometown band down the street Christthere were 2,200 \$10,000 bills in circu- mas Eve, winding up at the schoolhouse lation. That's real news to those of us where the women folks had put presshould like one last, lingering look at a I want to pay a lasting tribute to all hill-\$10,000 bill.

I have just returned from a trip to tion and an unforgettable delight. they can give them love and kindness the North. Passed through the great which are more precious than material corn belt and industrial States. Corn gifts. They can put away cares for the belt farmers are fairly well up with Merry Christmas!

in the East as in the West or the South. Some eating places use cottage cheese If you aimed at making a million this as a substitute for butter. Meatless

While business is booming in towns a few cheap toys. We attend gay parties aim to make a million. I tried to be and cities as never before throughout and leave the children at home with modest and figured I could get along on the land, some persons take it all as a matter of course. Many men who draw fat salaries in defense plants spend this money riotously, not even buying war bonds or stamps. "Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap." Some big crops of wild oats are being sown children during Christmas is a whole- have taken up a correspondence course and, as usual, the harvest will be truly plenteous.

> Hog killin' weather the last week in November produced some mighty fine eats-such as spareribs, backbone and The Old Year was full sausage. Always a stirring event on of fumbles and strike- the farm, hog-killin' time had more outs, yet was a life-sav- significance this year because of point er for America. It rationing. To a hungry man, no aroma sponsibilities bemarked a turning point can compare to "sissige sizzlin' in the cause of heavier pan." Wife says I always come to the average loading of est days are behind, breakfast table smiling when she passenger cars. The Victory lies ahead if we serves sausage. The perfect American dimout, both in keep up the pressure on breakfast on a cold morning has been cities and rural

Honest-to-goodness country sausage, down, or a complacent eggs, hot buckwheats, maple or ribbon cane syrup, coffee.

Some of our hill-billy bands that make mountain music at Christmastime will be missing this year. Many of the band boys have marched off to war. No musicians have contributed more free music to the world than the home-town bands. They headed all parades and all who have never seen a \$10,000 bill. Be- ents on a Christmas tree for every kid fore the sweet chariot swings low, I in town. Before signing off for 1943. billy bands-wherever they may be. Their music to me has been an inspira-

Merry Christmas! Merry Christmas! defrosters and

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TEXAS BRIEF NEWS --- from Over the State

FEWER OIL WELLS THIS YEAR

pleted in Texas during the first 10

months of 1943. The total at the same

WOMAN HELPS MANAGE AIRPORT

tant manager of Corpus Christi's muni-

cipal airport. Before taking the job

Miss Pate had worked for the Coastal

TEXANS SMOKE MORE, DRINK

LESS

State Treasurer Jesse James reports

October revenue from taxes on tobacco

increased almost \$150,000 over the same

month in 1942, while the State income

from liquor taxes showed a big de-

crease. The decrease was almost \$500,-

WOOLEN MILL PROSPERS

started operating at Eldorado, (Schlei-

cher county). At first the mill manu-

factured a few all-wool blankets. Later

the government placed a big order.

which keeps the machinery operating certainly is in Texas, and also thanked

with two shifts to turn out 60 blankets the Army man for "A splendid job of

per day. All employes are from Eldo- publicizing your home State."

Almost two years ago a woolen mill

Air Patrol. She is the first woman

Miss Pat Pate has been named assis-

time last year was 2,667.

ever employed at the field.

A total of 1.723 oil wells were com-

WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

Houston's Outdoor Nature Club has launched a movement toward creation of a wildlife sanctuary on the 3,000acre Barker Dam area.

PISTOL PACKIN' MAMAS

Fort Worth city council has voted to employ 10 women as traffic officers. They will be "properly uniformed and equipped" to enforce law and order.

GIRLS EDIT COLLEGE NEWSPAPER Seven of the nine top editorial jobs on the Daily Texan are held by girl students of the University of Texas, where the paper is published.

OIL HELPS PAY STATE BILLS

The production tax on oil brought \$25,855,000 into the treasury of the State of Texas during the 1942-43 fiscal year. The collection was made on more than 525,000,000 barrels of oil.

ONE SHOT, ONE BUCK

Governor Coke Stevenson opened the deer hunting season on his usual hunting ground in Sutton county. "One shot, one buck," the Governor reported on his return to the capitol. It was a

STORK SETS RECORD

Thirteen babies arrived at St. Mary's Hospital in Port Arthur, (Jefferson county), on November 6 to set a record for new arrivals in one day. The "baker's dozen" increased the nursery population to 29, also a new record.

REPUBLIC OF TEXAS NOTE

John W. Roberts, ranchman and retired telephone system owner, of Goldthwaite, (Mills county), has a \$50,000 cancelled Texas Treasury note. It was issued in 1838, signed by Sam Houston, President, and H. Smith, Treasurer of the Republic of Texas.

CONVICTS RELEASED TO ARMY Approximately 25 inmates have been released from the Texas Prison System that they might join the armed forces. A special panel of the Walker County Selective Service Board recommended the release. Only men who had been the highest type of prisoners are being recommended.

CHRISTMAS PACKAGE ARRIVES

Col. John A. Robenson, of Eighth clared it was 20 years Service Command in Dallas, received a old when he came to 1942 Christmas package in October, 1943. It traveled about 20,000 miles after being mailed in Louisiana to the officer, who was on duty in the Pacific at that time.

THE LONG AND SHORT OF IT

The publicity department of the University of Texas sent out a picture which shows the tallest and shortest students enrolled this year. Tallest is Volney O'Connor, six feet and 10 inches tall, of Gonzales, (Gonzales county). Smallest is Miss Dorace Caldwell, four feet and 10 inches tall, of Pampa, (Gray county)

EXCITING JOY-RIDE

"The horse ran away, turned the buggy over, spilled the co-ed on the ground, dragged the lieutenant and finally fell on him." That was the story told by a University of Texas co-ed and a lieutenant who took her for a buggy ride. Neither was seriously

PET SNAKE

The Corpus Christi Times has print- five and one-half billion dollars. ed a picture of two local boys who have an indigo snake for a pet. They are E. R., aged 8, and Michael, aged 4, sons of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Moore. The snake roams the yard in daylight and sleeps in a box in the garage at night. It is fond of the two boys but sometimes strikes at other people. The snake is five feet

WOMEN WITH DETERMINATION Shortage of gasoline failed to keep two Coleman county farm women from attending their home demonstration club meetings. They simply saddled a couple of horses and rode 10 miles rather than miss the meeting. It was the first time one of the women had been on a horse in 30 years. The women were Mrs. S. V. Webb and Mrs. B. W.

MEN STAGE STYLE SHOW

The men of Blanco, (Banco county), arranged a special style show for the women of the community to display "What to wear and when." All kinds of women's clothes were in the program for the models. Another feature was on general care of skin and nails, with a special demonstration of how to apply make-up. Twenty men were listed as models.

LUCK COIN LOST—AND FOUND Aviation Cadet and Mrs. George Robinson, of Ponca City, Okla., went to visit Mrs. Robinson's mother in Hillsboro. After a meal in a cafe there, the couple discovered a "good luck" nickel 11. Dexter was missing. The cafe owner did not have it when the search started but he spends a lot of remembered having given some change time climbing to a laundry man. Sure enough, the trees "higher laundry man still had it when they

found him.

BARELEY MISSED 100 YEARS

N. M. Davis, known as "The Grand Old Man" of Van Alstyne, (Grayson county), died three months before his 100th birthday. He had lived in the county for 72 years.

HEADS INDUSTRIAL WORKERS

New Braunfels, (Comal county), has a high percentage of industrial workers, one to each 8.6 inhabitants, much higher than the State's major cities. Dallas has one for 21.5, Fort Worth for 25.3, Houston for 25.6 and San Antonio for

PECAN HUNT FOR CHILDREN Uncle Bennie Clark, of Cooper, (Delta county), held his annual pecan hunt for school children recently. Each year he invites children of the lower grades to be his guests for a party and lets them pick up pecans from a fine pecan tree in his front yard.

RUBBER OFFICE OPENED

An office to supervise emergency rubber work in Texas has been opened in San Antonio. It will be headquarters for people engaged in planting guayule over the State, as well as those collecting mature plants from wild guayule growth over West Texas.

LONG-LOST DIAMOND FOUND

Eight years ago Mrs. C. C. Jopling, of La Grange, (Fayette county), lost a diamond from her ring. It was not found after a search which included draining the lavatory pipes. Recently she was rummaging through her husband's desk and found the diamond in one of the desk drawers.

OLD WATCH KEEPS GOOD TIME

R. L. Payne, of Sulphur Springs, (Hopkins county), has a 75-yearold watch which still keeps good time. It is in a solid silver case and is very heavy. Mr. Payne got the watch from an uncle who de-Texas in 1888.

FIRST AID TRAINING SAVES LIFE

L. W. Taylor, employe of a Dallas boiler factory, saved a man's life because he had taken first aid training. Taylor happened up on an automobile wreck in which a man had been badly cut. He applied pressure at the proper place to stop bleeding until the injured man reached a hospital. Doc-

tors said the first aid saved the man's

TEXAS INCOME SKYROCKETS

Texas people will have an income in 1943 more than double that of the boom year in 1929, according to a report made to the Texas Statistical Council. The income for 1943 is estimated at

SKUNK DISRUPTS SCHOOL

Students in Kelly Hall of the College of Mines at El Paso fled in confusion when a skunk wandered into the class room before time for the noon recess. The pandemonium excited the skunk which ran from room to room, leaving its bad odor in each room. Classes were dismissed for the remainder of the day. The skunk finally was killed.

TEXAS GREYHOUND WINNER

Eddie Bowers, of Mart, (McLennan county), has returned from Newton, Kansas, where one of his fine greyhounds won first place in the Waterloo Cup race of the National Coursing Association. He took three dogs, one of which had to be withdrawn because of Webb, members of the club at Rae Echo. injuries after winning two heats, and the same thing happened to the other after he had.

won three

heats.

ELZA POPPIN

TREE-JERRY AND I ARE GOING TO CLIMBING SNEAK OFF TO A NIGHT CLUB DOG

A seven-foot AFTER TAPS-I'M TO MEET HIM ON THE PARADE GROUNDS fence around the Dallas dog pound couldn't hold Spinach, who is a treeclimber. Spinach is the dog pal of Dexter McEwen, age says Spinach than our L house."



ELZA

TRAINING FOR HANDICAPPED PERSONS

INDIAN FIGHTER DIES

the Indian wars, died in Clarendon,

(Donley county). He served 12 years

as an Indian scout, part of the time for

Gen. George Custer prior to the famous

battle of Little Big Horn. He came to

NO MAIL WHERE DOGS BITE

mont, (Jefferson county), has announc-

ed that postmen will not be asked to de-

liver mail where residents keep vicious

dogs. His announcement followed an

attack on a postman which resulted in

two deep gashes in the mail carrier's

WHERE IS GALVESTON?

tioned in North Africa and that is where

an argument started which resulted in

a letter to Gov. Coke Stevenson. It

seems some of Jess' buddies argued that

because Galveston was on an island it

was not in Texas, so he wrote to the

Governor asking for a letter to prove

his case. Gov. Stevenson's letter as-

sured Pvt. Persefield that Galveston

ARMADILLOS MAY

GO TO WAR

(Palo Pinto county), are

talking about an arma-

dillo drive to get fat for

use in the war effort.

The animals have be-

come a nuisance around

the town by rooting up

flowers and vegetables.

They even eat scraps set

out for dogs and cat

food. Because these ani-

mals carry lots of fat,

the citizens are talking

about a drive to get as

many of them as possi-

ble and render them up

for the grease they would provide for mak-

VALUABLE VIOLIN

GOES TO WAR

Whitesboro, (Grayson

county), gave a valuable

violin to the recent war

chest drive. It was made

in 1903 by her husband

and built of spruce pine

from a dresser which

was 100 years old. Mrs.

Smith had played the

violin in church for

many years. She also

established a soldiers'

sleeping center in

Whitesboro some time

KILLS BIG RATTLER

IN DARK

lives near Chalf Bluff in

McLennan county, killed

a big rattler in the dark when it at-

to see where the snake was coiled, then

began beating it with a club. He thinks

it was the same snake which bit one of

TRIPLE CELEBRATION

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lyon, of Leonard,

(Fannin county), celebrated three an-

same birthday and their wedding anni-

versary is one day later. This year's

ding anniversary. Both were born in

Tennessee from where they came to

ACCOMMODATING PREACHER

was a minister, then asked what he

could do for them. They had the

license, so the trio went into a near-by

department store where the manager

A couple (the man was in Army uni-

A. L. Argabright, who

Mrs. Lena Smith, of

ing ammunition.

Citizens of Palo Pinto,

Pvt. Jess C. Persefield's outfit is sta-

Postmaster Ogden Johnson, of Beau-

Texas in 1883 from Colorado.

Alfred Estlack, age 100, veteran of

The State of Texas is opening a school at Roy Inks Lake, northwest of Austin. for training handicapped persons. The school will have a place for 350 who will learn skilled trades.

NEGRO RODEO

The Houston Negro Chamber of Commerce sponsored the first All-American championship Negro Rodeo in Sam Houston Coliseum during November. The event contained all of the standard rodeo contests.

COLLEGE GIRL REPAIRS WATCHES Pretty Marguerite Milke, of Dallas, is paying her way through North Texas State Teachers' College in Denton, (Denton county), by repairing watches. She learned "what makes the wheels go 'round" from her father who is a watchmaker. Her workshop is on the college campus.

THREE-EYED MONSTER

Members of the Texas Memorial Museum staff at Austin have pieced together remains of an animal skeleton found in Howard county. It was a three-eyed cousin of the salamander and was six feet long. Experts estimate it would have weighed 300 pounds. Dr. E. H. Sellards says this type of animal already was known to science, but this is the most complete remains ever

ARMY DOG GOES AWOL

Pudge, a German Shepherd dog, is in no hurry to go to war. Pudge's master loaned him to Dogs for Defense and sent him to the reception center at Dallas. Twice Army employes stocked up crates in which the dogs were to be sent to an island in the Gulf of Mexico for training in Jap hunting and killing. And twice Pudge escaped and stayed away from the pens until after shipments had been made. The first time he gnawed through heavy steel wire to escape. When he came back attendants put him in a covered pen, but Pudge jumped against the wire on top of the pen until he made a hole big enough to crawl through. Army officials wonder if Pudge has some sort of sixth sense which told him he was about to be shipped away.

The Soldier's Sublime Faith (Continued from Page 2)

row escapes, but I have also seen some very wonderful acts of courage, selfsacrifice and loyalty. At last I have found what I have searched for all my life—a cause and a job in which I can lose myself completely and to which I can give every ounce of my strength and my mind. .

"And I have mentally and spiritually conquered my fear of death. Pure animal terror (a protective emotion) cannot be entirely subdued by the mentality, but it can be, and has been, con-

trolled. "My prayer each night is that God will send you, who are suffering so much more than I am, His strength and peace. During the first days of war I also prayed for personal protection from physical harm, but now that I may be given strength to bear whatever I must bear I do so that those men under me

will have every reasonable chance." To that, on Christmas, 1943, I can say "Amen!"

HOLLYWOOD'S SANTA CLAUS PARADES

(Continued from Page 2) publicity that often helped them along at the studio. Many of our glamour gals, including Joan Crawford, Olivia De Havilland, and Ginger Rogers, have ridden the route in their more obscure days, and give Santa credit for at least a part of their start toward stardom.

Yes, we have our traditions-humorous, tender, and fantastic-when Christmas comes along, just as every other city has. And while we're putting aside the usual celebrations this year in favor of the all-out war effort, we have our memories of gayer days and brighter nights. And one fine Christmas again we'll be welcoming Santa Claus back to Hollywood boulevard-when victory is won and "peace on earth, good will toward men" is at last a reality.

Once on the hills of Galilee,

Bright Christmas Star

A Star arose to guide the Three! And they were Wise who followed far The hope and promise of that Star!

And they were Wise and they were Three Who sought the Child in Galilee! They followed in the holy light, That went before them shining bright!

Oh, blessed Star of Bethlehem That rose to light the way for them, Now may it on this glad day be A Christmas Star for you and me!

-Merrick Fifield McCarthy.

KILLER FINALLY TRAPPED

A seven-foot, 117-pound panther, was niversaries at one time. Both have the caught in a trap and killed on the Madison ranch, near Sanderson, (Terrell county). It was believed the last of a party was in honor of their 60th wedbunch of panther killers which had destroyed many sheep and goats. Several months ago a trapper caught a panther in that vicinity which gnawed

BREAKS ANKLE, CRAWLS MILE Russell Durham, age 14, who lives heard the question and told them he

IT'S TEN O'CLOCK-

near Belton, (Bell county), fell 18 feet out of a pecan tree. The fall broke his ankle. The accident happened late in the afternoon and a search was started when the boy failed to come home at the usual hour. When found about 11 p. m., by his father, he had crawled one mile toward home.

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OXEN BETTER THAN MULES

L. E. Anderson, of Richland, (Na- tacked his two dogs while they were varro county), solved the mule-power chasing a skunk. He struck a match shortage by breaking a team of oxen. He says, "They pull a heavy load easily, and besides they're fast and easy to handle—not stubborn like mules." Mr. his mules recently, causing its death. Anderson uses his oxen to pull a homemade wagon.

off its front foot and escaped.

form) rushed up to a Dallas policeman and asked where they could find the nearest minister. A passer-by over-

volunteered the use of his office for the ceremony.

Texas in 1890.

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By Olsen and Johnson

Jokes to Make A LITTLE FUN You Laugh

Short and to the Point

A private with our overseas forces sent this short and to the point letter to the folks at home:

"Dear Mom and Pop: You probably won't get many letters from me while I'm here. When things are happening I haven't time to write, and when they aren't happening I haven't anything to write about. Love, David."

Laconic Coolidge

When Coolidge was Governor of Massachusetts he was once host to a visiting Englishman of some prominence. The latter ostentatiously took a British coin from his pocket, saying, "My great, great grandfather was made a Lord by the King whose picture you see on this shilling.'

Coolidge laconically produced a nickel. "My great, great grandfather," he said, "was made an angel by the Indian whose picture you see on this coin."

Worse Than Ever

Mr. Ginsburg had been complaining of insomnia. "Even counting sheep is no good," he sighed to his partner in the clothing business.

"It is only good if you count up to 10,000," replied his partner. "Try that

But the next morning Mr. Ginsburg was still complaining.

"I did not sleep a wink," he said. "I counted the 10,000 sheep, I sheared 'em, combed the wool, had it spun into cloth, made into suits, sold the suits, and lost \$20 on the deal. I didn't sleep a wink."

The Debil

Some wasps had built their nests during the week in a colored preacher's best breeches. On the Sabbath as he warmed up to his preaching, the wasps, too, warmed up, with the result that presently the preacher was leaping about like a jack in the box, and slapping his lower anatomy with great vigor, to the amazement of the congregation.

"Be calm, brederen," he shouted. "De word of God am in my mouth, but de citedly. "Start swinging!" debil am in my breeches!"

Hard to Fit!

camp after an attack, with

a Jap helmet slung over his

Japs for this," he announc-

A sailor came back to

"I had to kill a hundred

"Jap heads are so small

I had to get the right size,"

he replied.

Competition!

It was her wedding. As she waited for the auto which would take her to the church, she heaved a sigh of satisfaction.

"Darling," she said to the bridesmaid, "I feel so happy. I'm marrying the man I want."

"That's fine, dear," said "Why?" asked his bud- the bridesmaid, a cynical person. "But to be perfectly happy a girl ought to marry the man somebody else wants."

could, if we were like this team with only one tongue between us."

could go through life like that."

pull at a steady stride.

"White Man Much Crazy

Team Work

ing along a country road through hilly

country. The team, when they came to

a hill, would settle into the collar and

have just been thinking, watching this

team settle in the collar and pull steadily

along, how wonderful it would be if we

"Maria," he replied, "possibly we

The farmer's wife said, "Hiram, I

An old farmer and his wife were driv-

Two pictures, one showing a dilapi- system takes several days, dated house, the other a field badly and, during the time neceswashed out, were printed in a farm sary to develop immunity, the tian nations down to the presmagazine which offered prizes for the resistance of susceptible anibest essays suggested by the pictures. mals may even be below nor-First prize went to a Cherokee Indian mal. who wrote:

"Both pictures show white man crazy. Make just prior to shipping is There is no better Christ-big tepee. Plow hill. Water wash. Wind fraught with dangers. Added mas gift for the person who blow soil, grass all gone. Squaw gone, papoose to the strain of handling, likes plants and enjoys growgone. No chuckaway. hay, no cow, no pony. Indian no plow land. Keep grass. Buffalo eat. Indian eat buffalo. do more harm than good. Best plant. Hide make tepee, moccasins, too. Indian no protection is afforded by The giving of plants for make terrace. No build dam. No give a vaccinating ten days or more Christmas is no novelty, but damn. All time eat. No hunt job. No hitch- before shipping—thus giving this year such gifts will be hike. No ask relief, Great Spirit make grass. Indian no waste anything. White man much ample time for animals to at- more significant than ever.

Kaiser Speed

Speaking of the speed with which Henry Kaiser has been building ships two days after the animals perfectly into this situation. for the government, it is said that a society lady was recently asked to officiate at the christening of a new vessel. She was led out upon a high platform, and Mr. Kaiser placed a bottle of champagne in her hand. "Get ready!" he

The lady glanced over the platform railing and saw only the keel of a vessel being placed far down below.

"But, Mr. Kaiser," she objected. "There is no vessel here for me to christen!"

"It'll be up in a minute!" he said, ex-

CATTLE LOSSES FROM SHIPPING FEVER

During the last few years, both buyers and shippers of Remember Christ, our Savior cattle have suffered serious losses from shipping fever, or hemorrhagic septicemia, especially among weaners and short yearlings, says the Cut- old as is the celebration of ter Standard.

to use bacterins for the control of shipping fever-but not enough attention has been songs at the birth of Christ. given to allowing a sufficient time between vaccination and Christmas is said to have actual shipment for the ani- been A. D. 98, but it was not mal to build up an immunity to the disease. Formation of Julius, after extensive investiantibodies or protective bodies within the animal's 25 as the date most probably

That is why vaccination No pig, no corn, no loading and shipping, it may ing them than a growing tain a fairly high degree of Never has home meant more. immunity. If this is impos- nor at any time a more consible, then it is better not to centrated effort been made vaccinate at all before ship- to preserve its essential beauhave reached their destination. Under these circumstances, recommended procedure is (1) drive or handle animals just off the car as little as possible, (2) place in an uncrowded holding pasture, (3) limit feed and pro- dier. A destroyer may have vide plenty of water, (4) af- nearly a thousand. Even a ter animals have rested a couple of days, vaccinate.

> For tired eyes, dissovle a water and bathe freely.

SINGING OF CAROLS

God rest you, merry gentleman, Was born on Christmas Day.

One of our most interesting Christmas customs, the singing of carols, is almost as It has been general practice the day itself. In the early Church the bishops sang carols on Christmas Day in commemoration of the angels'

The first celebration of until A. D. 340 that Pope gations, established December correct, and his lead in this has been followed by Chris-

PLANTS AS GIFTS

ment but to wait until at least ties. Plants fit themselves

BOMBER INSTRUMENTS

The average medium bomber has about 150 instruments to guide the pilot, radio operator, navigator, and bombartank, where simplicity is paramount, requires nearly two dozen, including those inteaspoon of salt in a glass of radio equipment. - Wartime all the days of Samuel. Engineering (Westinghouse). Sam. 7:13.

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And the hand of the Lord struments that are part of the was against the Philistines

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Home Decorations

By AILEEN SPAFFORD

OW will your front door say, "Merry Christmas," this year? There are so many lovely things which can be done to dress up the entrance of a house for the holidays. Some are gay and amusing -others dignified. The choice depends on your own mood rather than the style of the house because . . . when all's said and done . . . the majority of doors look pretty nice with any type of

Christmasy treatment. If you're looking for an idea, here are a few suggestions:

1. A small toy

drum backed with sprays of evergreen and tied with a big through the ribbon knot.

horns from the toy depart- all sizes and shapes. ment. Fasten them X fashion against an arrangement of red oilcloth and white of pine boughs.

gayly wrapped packages to the door knocker with nar- ing but do have a few real row ribbons of varying lengths. Tuck in a sprig of holly for good measure. with or without silver bells

false face, cut the edges so it will rest flat against the door like a mask and sur- welcoming appeal. The round it with a wreath of edges can be of silver and

5. Spell out "MERRY color.

CHRISTMAS" with red Scotch tape on the two long panels of the door. Frame them with ropes of greenery. Words must be placed vertically of course.

6. Fill a flat wicker basket with pine boughs, sticking in a few red berries for a dash of color. Tie a red bow on the handle and hang it from the knocker.

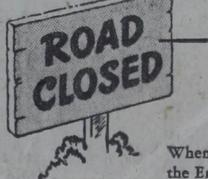
7. Make a shower bouquet of little silver bells tied to narrow red and

green ribbons -every one a different length. Hang them from a big silver star and they'll tinkle merrily whenever the door is opened. 8. For an

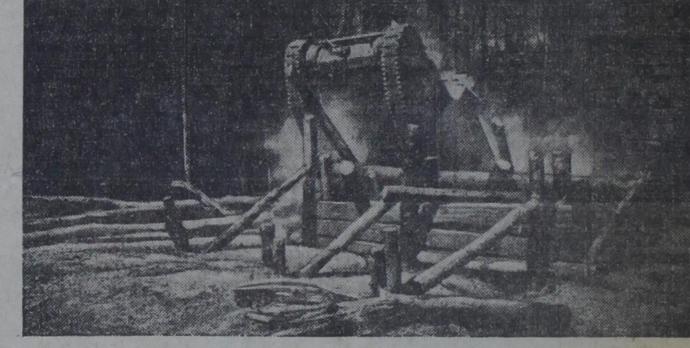
amusing wartime touch, tie red bow. Slip the sticks a big red mesh shopping bag to the knocker. Stuff it with 2. Two gayly painted tin gayly wrapped packages of

9. Make a big stocking candy striped percale. Fill 3. Tie a bunch of small with paper or cotton so that it looks nice and bulgtoys sticking out of the top.

10. Small round wreaths 4. Find a jolly old Santa attached are always appropriate. An animated heart-shaped wreath has a the heart red or orange



actual training test) shows the result. Stopping tanks is only a part of the job of the fighting U. S. Engineers. They build the bridges ... blaze the trails through mine fields-yes, all the services depend on the Engineers. And, like men in all the other services, you're apt to find that when an Engineer lights up a cigarette-it's a Camel.



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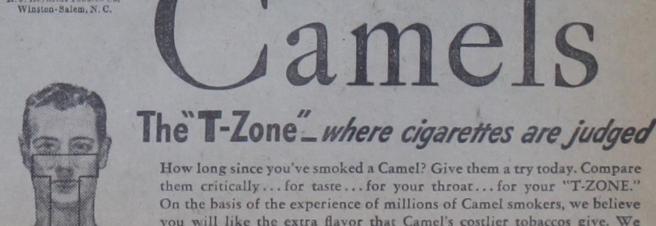


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Texas Farm News Reports "Cattle grubs are as bad in | Farmers in the vicinity Lamar county as they were of Nocona, (Montague



County Agent Ralph Lindcause an annual loss in Texas eties of vegetables growing. of enough beef to feed 46,000 men in uniform. He says the market infected.

farmers are making plans to classes. increase home food supplies with fruit trees and vines of The bulletin is free.

A. D. Parker, of Happy, (Swisher county), is ready to recommend sweet clover for pasture improvement where dairy cows are in need of good grazing. Late in April he planted 11 acres of sloping land in sweet clover and during the last week of July turned 26 head of cows in on it for grazing. He says the cows walked through good were eating native weeds.

Ricardo girls' 4-H club of Kle- dressings. berg county, have dramatized their club work in clothing. J. L. Rainey, pecan grower member, and was selected county 4-H club member, sold for \$2.60 per bushel. cardo class in Red Cross home pounds this year.

three years ago when control county), can have free use measures started," according of the city's canning cento County Agent A. L. Ed- ter if they have beef or miaston. He says this pest poultry which they want to costs American farmers at put up for future use. least 50 million dollars every | County Home Demonstrayear through loss in meat, tion Agent Eva Sue Mermilk and leather.

reaches into every home, center which is located on Files Valley community, Agricultural Agent J. W. (Grayson county), nursery-scored heavily in the National Bell Roeser, age 13, and her sister, June, age 11, getting The Houston Bank for from one of his sows. He war on rats. Almost every He says they are multiplying five of seven classes for feup at 5:30 a. m. to milk five Co-Operatives reports that and a son have been raising club boy in the county, he by the hundreds of thousands males and two of the bull cows so they won't be late for Texas farmers own 419 Duroc-Jersey hogs for 15 reports, has pledged him- and carry off peanuts, pecans classes. Essar Ranch, of San the school bus. They milk gins, 7 cottonseed oil mills, years. This is the biggest self to kill a minimum of and lots of small grain. He Antonio, showed the grand Stockmen of Texas rejoiced again in the evening. But one compress and 26 cotton at announcement that more despite milking and going to warehouses. The bank has than five million bushels school they have produced a found that farmer organiof soybeans have been allot- year-round garden. The sis- zations are acquiring an ted to Texas mills for pro- ters, members of the Friday increasing proportion of to ship the biggest crop of reports that many farmers girls' 4-H club of Trinity the machinery which man- pecans since 1935, accord- in that area will start a county, sold tomatoes from ufacturers, processes, ing to D. B. Porter who new practice this yeartheir fall garden and, accord- stores and finances their has been a carlot buyer feeding wheat to dairy cating to County Home Demon- products, supplies and there for a number of tle. He says wheat is equal sey, of Palo Pinto county, stration Agent Mildred L. services. estimates that cattle grubs Chapman, have 12 other vari-

E. L. Schoenberg, 4-H club about two pounds must be boy of Somerville, (Burleson trimmed from the loins and county), made the first entry ribs of animals which reach for the Chicago Market Fat Stock Show and carlot competition. He will exhibit three Now that orchard planting head of Duroc Jersey barrows time is just ahead, many in open and junior swine

One phase of Fire Prevenvarious kinds. Bulletin B-73, tion Week in Texas was de-Texas Extension Service at voted to a fight against barn College Station, gives helpful fires, many of which would be hints on orchard plantings. prevented by being more care- county farmers in their tural Agent N. H. Hunt. long with the hull removed. ful about the things which soil conservation work, the Thirty Texas Extension It measured six inches produce fires. Most frequent county has purchased a Service game management around the long way and causes are smoking around terracing machine which signs marked the acreage. four inches the other way highly inflamable materials, has been turned over to short circuits in electrical the soil conservation servwiring caused from dust and ice which will have full con- should use spare time in from one in Waco. Foliage hay and grain, and careless- hundreds of miles of ter- scarce feed, an experienced ed like a pecan. Mr. Kil-

Several members of the servation program. Pear Ridge girls' 4-H club of Jefferson county gave their was no bad odor in the milk county home demonstration stock show, has a challeng- toms of paralysis are lame- about results obtained stock show, has a challeng- toms of paralysis are lame- about results obtained that found when the cows limb from a flax planting proagent. In the first place, the ing record in meat product ness, curled up toes, limp from a flax planting proclub increased its membership tion. This year he had wings, peculiar movements ject there this year. They by 22. Five members worked demonstrations in swine, of the head, loss of a sense found that about 20,000 Judy Ford and Lorraine a total of 247 hours at the beef cattle and sheep, and of balance, or total paraly- acres had been planted in Williams, members of the Red Cross making surgical

wartime food production, and of San Angelo, harvested a as the 1943 county winner practices progressive crop- They found also that this health. Dressed alike in 4-H big crop of nuts from 200 green dresses with white col- budded trees in his orchard says County Agricultural crop, which sold for \$94. equipment already availlars, the girls have presented near Ben Ficklin. One tree Agent Leon C. Ransom. their skit for other 4-H clubs yielded 560 pounds. Experts in the county, Spanish-speak- estimate the 200 trees will ing groups, and for the Ri- yield from 25,000 to 30,000 nursing. The girls are 12 Rainey's first sale was 4,000

years old and are completing pounds at 27 cents per pound. their third year of club work. They were the Schley variety. For the BEST SALES and SERVICE

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ritt has launched a campaign in the county to The long arm of war bring about full use of the

During 1943 the Texas Prison System farms produced 2,191 bales of cotton and the system now has 175,000 bushels of corn stored for future use. During the last three months the system's textile mil! has manufactured an averounce duck per week, work-

produced 24,316 pounds of sis of limbs, he said. meat valued at \$2,940. He

An editorial in Farm and survives the winter, under a \$100 war bond. weevil population by 12,-000,000 during the season," the farm paper declares. It points out that research shows 19 to 24 times as growing until killed by

boasts of having canned sold \$2.37 worth. the first calf in Stonewall county long before that county had extension service work.

J. M. Williams, vocational teacher at Ballinger, (Runnels county), is advising farmers to place orders early for baby chicks. He thinks the demand on hatcheries will be as heavy next season as that which swamped baby chick producers in 1943. He is urging farmers to purchase chicks as close to home as possible. "If the kind or breed of chicks wanted can not be secured in your locality, try not to go outside the State to make the purchase," he urged.

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club boys carried game er in protein than corn, and demonstrations on 14,585 this makes it possible to age of 10,000 yards of 8- acres of land this year. At use less protein supplethe end of their demon- ment in the feed ration. ing two shifts six days per stration they had the following wild game in the E. R. Killough, of Hubarea: 48 deer, 71 turkeys, bard, (Hill county), pro-

> posed of—probably through years. canning for the food sup-

is a five-year 4-H club Max LaPrada, Titus 10 bushels per acre which of the meat animal contest, ping. His white potato new crop can be grown with rows with corn, and after combines. Several farmers Ranch urges farmers to The production was 30 as a result of the success plow under cotton stalks bushels of corn and 700 reported from across Red to guard against boll wee-vil. "If one pair of weevils these earnings Max bought normal conditions, they are Chester White gilt took treated during the winter capable of increasing the first place at the fall 4-H for harmful pests and sur-

Bell county is planning Measel, of Bowie county, years. Yields are heavy on to corn when it forms one-Nolan creek and the Leon third to one-half of the north and west. The crop equals corn in starch, is is short on the Lampasas higher in protein, and river in the Youngsport is as high in digestible nutrients. He explains the farmer should not overlook Some 28 Frio county 4-H | the fact that wheat is high-

It was grown on a native Owners of poultry flocks tree which had a bud taken ness with open-flame lights. races are needed in the poultryman said. All lough has been experimentcounty's long range con- boarder hens should be dis- ing with pecans for many

> that county. It had an average yield of more than was planted in alternate able, such as drills and the potato harvest peas in the Vernon area will were planted in the rows. plant some flax next year

> > Fruit trees should be

livestock show, according face diseases, according to to James W. McGown, J. F. Rosborough, horticulcounty agricultural agent. | turalist for A. & M. College extension service. For pre-Several of the 20 Has- vention of borers and scale many weevils survive the kell county 4-H club boys he recommends paradiwinter in and near cotton who had home gardens as cholro-benzene, commonly fields where stalks are left their 1943 demonstrations called PDB. This should marketed part of their be used during the fall crops for cash in addition months. No soil preparato supplying their families tion is necessary except County Home Demon- with vegetables for daily breaking the crust for 15 stration Agent Lucile, of use and canning. Gene to 18 inches around the Knox county, reported an Harrell of the Rochester tree and removal of grass unusual record held by club sold \$104.50 worth, and weeds. PDB crystals Mrs. R. M. Almanrode. She mainly watermelons, and should be placed in a cirhas missed only 13 home John Ed May of the New cle about three inches from demonstration club meet- Cook Club sold \$20.65 the trunk. One ounce ings in 18 years. She has a worth. In addition, 200 should be used for mature perfect attendance record containers of surplus pro- trees, and half of an ounce for 13 of the 18 years. Mrs. ducts were canned from for young ones. The cry-Almanrode began her club his garden. The mother of stals should be covered work when a bride of two Everett Payne of the Rule with dirt and firmly packweeks and has held every club canned 60 quarts of ed immediately into a coneoffice in her club. She his products and Everett shaped mound, to be torn down after six weeks. THE CAT AND THE KID

Ledger Syndicate

H. Westberry, of the According to County Horace Foster, Denison,

warned that daisies carry the \$2,775. Merlyn Gail Kothyellow-dwarf potato disease. mann, of Mason, (Mason periments showed 45 per cent club steer. W. H. Hammon, of plants in a test patch were of Wichita Falls, showed the infected. Diseased daisy reserve champion female. plants are dwarfed and in Veteran breeders estimated spring or fall show rosettes the 351 head shown would of curled, twisted leaves. Dur- have brought \$525,000 in an ing most of the summer they appear normal except for their smaller size.

4-H club girl, has a hand in so good forest cutting practices. many jobs that it's possible which will insure a future only to touch the high spots. timber crop, better cash re-The key to her activities, in turns and a continuous sup-2,458 quail, and 74 jave-duced a pecan this year her own words, is that with ply of wood: In order to aid Red River lins, says County Agricul- which was three inches an only brother in the Army 1. Cut timber selectively, leavall labor scarce, "I have ta- ing a good stand for a crop of saw ken over a man's job" on the logs and poles. Young stands can be thinned for pulpwood. family's 200-acre farm. She drove the tractor and helped tions from several buyers, or diplant all the crops-cotton, rect from the mills. corn and feed—and a whole | 3. Obtain a contract for a defigrist of vegetables. The lat- nite number of cords, always with cobwebs, spontaneous com- trol over use of the ma- late fall for culling flocks resembles an English walbustion from improperly cured chine. Officials declare to insure full benefit from nut while the nut is shap-onions, cabbage and beets. She helped her mother can use a scale contract which specimore than 450 jars of vege- fies trees to be cut, period of cuttables, and in addition she and and method of payment, damage her father helped a neighbor to unmarked trees, and fire proplant his Victory garden. tection. "From planting to harvest-Jack Tyler, whose 1,095 ply. The birds to be kept A group of Wilbarger ing," she explains, "I helped a diameter of four inches. services to the wartime emer- Hereford calf was judged should be watched for dis- farmers and business lead- with everything and I do adnative grass to get to the gency this year, according to clover. He says also there Georgia Macha, assistant of the milk of th food for our service men Vic- from timber by doing own cutting tory soon will be won."

Texas Hereford breeders which accounts for Minnie the high school grounds. (Hill county), reports a lit- Wilson, Hunt county 4-H man, is urging a campaign Hereford Show held in Dallas ter of 23 Duroc-Jersey pigs club boys have declared for extermination of crows. at mid-November. They won litter from any one of his 100 rats by June 1, 1944. | says Texas farmers have suf- champion bull, and Wyoming fered more damage this year Hereford Ranch, of Chevene, County Agent John W. because they could not get Wyo., had the grand chamammunition to kill the crows. pion cow. B. F. Irby and Sons, of Goliad, (Goliad county), sold two heifers through Texas farmers have been the auction for \$4,400 and The warning comes after ex- county), had the champion

> The Panola county USDA war board has compiled a set Edith Picha, Nueces county of eight recommendations for

4. If standing timber is sold,

5. Cut stumps low. Use tops to

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By John Rosol

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Our Boys and Girls



STORY OF THE PILGRIMS

A friendly Indian visitor, Samoset, enters the Pilgrim

settlement on Cape Cod.

the first settlers in America were the Pilgrims from England. Here is the true story of their migration in a small sailing vessel and their landing at Plymouth, Massachusetts, December 26, 1620, one day after Christmas:

Thirteen years after John Smith and his companions settled Jamestown, Va., other English folk crossed the Atlantic Ocean. They were to be known in history as "Pilgrims." The vessel which took them out on the Atlantic was the Mayflower.

When the Pilgrims reached mid-ocean they met stormy weather, and the main beam of their vessel was jarred out of place. For a

seemed as dangerous to return as to go forward. Fortunately, one Pilgrims had a large iron The screw. was beam forced back into place, fastened with the screw and the voyage

continued. Two months and five days atter leaving England the Pilgrims reached the American shore sighting first the coast of Cape Cod. The country there looked forbidding and barren. but since winter was drawing near they decided to land and sailed into what is now the harbor of Provincetown,

Before landing the men

cabin of the Mayflower and drew up laws for the government of the colony. At this time,

Several men boarded the sailboat which had been brought along on the Mayflower, and set out to explore the coast. They found a river mouth, but the water was too shallow to make a good harbor.

Some days later the sailboat reached a harbor which seemed to provide a good location for settlement. The news was taken to the Mayflower and caused much rejoicing. With happy hearts the Pilgrims sailed into Plymouth harbor, ready to build homes for them- Animals." selves in the New World.

When the Pilgrims entered the harbor it was December 16, 1620, by the calendar then in use. Since then, the calendar has been pushed 10 days ahead, and we should now call it

Though it was near the end of December, the winter had not begun in earnest. A chill rain was falling, but no snow, as the Pilgrims began putting up shelters. The first building was a "common house," made of rough logs, the cracks filled with mud. This place was a storehouse to hold food and other articles belonging to all.

Later a fort was laid out on the hill, where cannon were to be placed for defense. Men were set to work building huts near the community house, and the winter might have prov-

ed a happy one had it not been for the sickness which followed. Even before the Pilgrims arrived at Plymouth, some of them had become ill. That win-ter almost half the pilgrims died, but by spring all the rest were in good health again.

Originally there had been 102. Death took 44 that first winter. One day an Indian was seen approaching. The white men were amazed when they heard him cry out, "Welcome!

Going to meet him, they found that he could talk in broken English. He had learned to speak our language, he said, from English sailors who had come before to the coast, some distance north. This Indian had been their friend. His name, he told the Pilgrims, was Samo-

On a later day Samoset made another visit to Plymouth and this time brought along a friend named Squanto. Samoset and Squanto became warm friends of the whites. Squanto showed the settlers how to plant corn and especially advised them to put two or three fish in each "hill." That made the soil richer and helped the grain to grow more plentifully. A watch was kept for wolves lest those animals should smell the fish and dig them up.

About this time the Mayflower sailed back to England, bearing many letters and messages for friends and relatives in the Old World. In spite of the hardships of the winter, not one of the Pilgrims went back. Shortly after the departure of the Mayflower Gov. Carver died. William Bradford was chosen to fill his place, and he served for 21 years.

During the summer the colonists spent part of their time trading with the Indians. In exchange for knives and beads, they obtained

furs and corn. Who were the Pilgrims? Well, they were part of a company of English Puritans who had left England because of their desire to be free of the religious persecutions in their native land, and settled in Leyden, Holland, in

1620. Their original destination, it may be mentioned, was Virginia, and a grant of land south of the Hudson river had been obtained by them. But storms drove them north of their course. Slowly the colony grew. Less than a year after the first members had landed, a ship called the Fortune arrived with 35 passengers, and in 1622 a party of 60 founded a settlement at what is now Waymouth, in Bos-

ton Harbor; but being attacked by Indians, some joined the colony at ed raisins, 1/2 cup nut meats, toasted cocoa-Plymouth while the remainder returned to nut or chopped nut meats.

or seen pictures of the lofty monument erect- figs and raisins, drain and dry thoroughly. ed in honor of the Pilgrims on Town Hill, Clip stems from figs. Grind fruits and nuts, Provincetown, on Cape Cod. This memorial,

Most of our boys and girls know that among toward which the United States Congress contributed \$40,000, was dedicated in August,

PAUL REVERE'S DOG

Dogs have always played conspicuous roles of heroism and real service in every war recorded by history.

Few people, however, have heard the story, handed down by Paul Revere, himself, to his children and grandchildren, of the part his dog had in the famous ride of 1775, that was so important to the American Revolution.

When Revere left his house on that fateful time there was talk of turning back, but it night of April 18, his dog followed him. We

his name, sex or breed. We know only that it was not more than ten inches high (since a town ordinance forbade the owning of larger dogs in old Boston) and that it was well - trained. intelligent and affectionate ly treated by its master.

On reaching the part of North Boston where his boat was hidden and friends were waiting to row him across the river that separated him from his route, Revere discovered that he had, left his

spurs at home. Many times in later years, the American patriot told his grandchildren how he hasti-

ly wrote a note to his wife, Rachel, tied it to the dog's collar, and sent the faithful animal also they chose John Carver to be their gov- home with the message. Soon the welltrained dog was back again with the spurs hanging from its neck, and Revere was equipped for the ride that was to go down in his-

It has been suggested that Paul Revere invented this story for the amusement of his children. Be that as it may, we have this colorful postscript to history from his own lips. If the story is true, Revere's dog did a service for its country as surely as did its bold master.-Marjory Smith, in "Our Dumb

THE SHEPHERDS

That same night, on a hillside not far from Bethlehem, there were shepherds taking care of their sheep. The night was cold and the stars were very bright Some of the shepherds sat close to a fire to keep warm Others wrapped themselves in blankets and lay on the ground near by. Some of them slept, but always one of them was wide awake to be sure that no hungry wolves stole and killed their

Suddenly one of the shepherds sat up straight. "What was that?" he said.

"It sounded like music," said another,

By this time all of the shepherds were awake. Looking up, they saw a bright light-so bright that they had to close their eyes. When they opened them, an angel stood before them. The shepherds were afraid and fell upon the ground.

But the angel said, "Do not be afraid, for I have come to tell you good news. There is born this day a Baby who will bring joy to you and to all people everywhere. You will find Him in Bethlehem lying in a manger.'

Then it seemed to the shepherds that the whole sky was filled with angels singing this

beautiful song:
"Glory to God in the highest,
And on earth peace, good will

toward men. Then, still singing their song, the angels went away, and the shepherds were alone with their sheep. They were silent for a little while. Then one of them said, "Did the angel

MERRY

CHRISTMAS

say 'in Bethlehem'?"
"Yes," answered another, "and he said that we would find the Baby in a manger. Why, it must be in the cave back of the inn. Come,

let us go to Bethlehem to find Him."
Quickly the shepherds pulled their cloaks around them and hurried across the hill to

find the Baby. When they came to the cave, they found Joseph and Mary, and there in a manger bed was the Baby Jesus, as the angel had said. The shepherds fell upon their knees before the Baby and repeated softly a part of the angel's song, "Glory to God in the highest."

The shepherds told Mary and Joseph what they had seen and heard Then they returned to their sheep, singing songs of joy and praise to God.—"The Story of Jesus," by Gloria Diener, published by Rand McNally & Co., Chicago.

CHILDREN ENJOY SWEETS OF THEIR OWN CREATION

Sweets made by their own hands taste Dissatisfied with conditions in Holland they sweeter to the children. So turn them loose set sail for the New World on September 6. with a few good recipes and let them have the

fun of creating their own fections. Of course, the fruit-er sweets are the healthier ones. With a good recipe like "Fruited Loaf" before the youngsters, you wouldn't need to worry if they do quite a little sampling while they worked. Dried fruits contribute mineral and vitamin value and energy in a quickly available form.

Fruited Loaf

One cup prunes, 1 cup dried white figs, 1 cup seed-

Boil prunes 10 minutes in sufficient water Many readers, perhaps, have either visited to cover, drain, cool and remove pits. Rinse (Continued top next column)

using a fine cutter. Blend thoroughly, divide and shape into rolls about 11/2 inches in diameter. Roll in cocoanut or nuts. Chill and slice.

PIE SUPPERS HAVE CHANGED

Time was when a pie supper was an orderly and mildly exciting affair to raise a small sum for the new church carpet, or the curtains for the schoolhouse.

A pie was a pie in those days, and 50 cents, bid in the auction, was considered a good round price for one, and a handsome compliment to the lady who baked it. Of course there usually was a mild flurry when the pastry of some exceptionally luscious girl went on the block, and then the bidding would go way up, until probably some young fellow who had just sold a shoat closed out all competition with a bid of a dollar and a quarter for his sweetheart's best pie.

That's what pie suppers used to be. But they're different now. Down in Arkansas the pie supper has been turned over to the selling of war bonds and stamps. And already it has jumped into the class of high finance.

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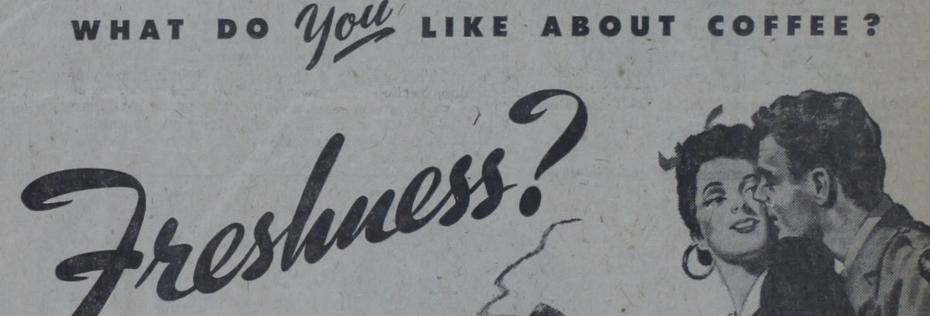
MENUS

fervor has mounted in Ark- there are not enough bison to "buffalo killer" for the Kan- ure marked the beginning of ansas-and elsewhere. A pie figure importantly in the as Pacific Railroad. On a the herd which now totals for \$1,250. What a piker meat situation. Before the wager he once shot 38 buffalo about 1,200. An annual roundthat makes of our old friend advent of the white man the in one day. who sold a shoat and bid a bison herds totaled possibly The "hide-hunters" were mals. There are eight other bold \$1.25 for a pie made by 60 million head, almost half as the deadliest. They pursued government herds, and more Auto tire pumps will be a only about 5,000 bison. Even first the southern herd was this low figure is at least wiped out; then the northern "buffalo" are not synonymous The motorist will use bottled 4,000 in excess of the bison was finished. As the bison except colloquially. The bison air, fill it at the gas station census of 1900, when it was disappeared, the price of hides is an ox, distinguished by a when empty. The Army is feared the bison would be- went up, so the hide-hunters hump. The true buffalo, such

population. Now there are killing and taking hides until ly owned or in zoos. worked until the remaining as the water buffalo, has no The years from 1850 were bison were so scattered as to hump.—Science Digest.

BUFFALO MEAT ON WAR the period of the great bison make hunting too difficult.

carnage on the western plains. By 1894 several small herds Buffalo meat, now offered pound animals for a single of game conservationists. The baked by a famous pie-maker as a "fill in" for wartime meal, often taking only the remnant of the great north-\$1,250—and that is no slouch shortage, was a food staple of tongue. Even when bison were ern herd drifted into Yellowfor a pie, be it made by the westward-expanding America, killed to feed railroad-build- stone National Park. Even says the National Geographic ing gangs only the choicest there poachers kept up the parts were used. "Buffalo killing until, when only 20 Bill" Cody killed 4,280 ani- buffalo remained, a protective the height to which patriotic Regardless of public taste, mals during his tenure as law was passed. This measup weeds out the excess animany as the present human the bison to its last refuge, than a hundred herds private-





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HOUSEHOLD HELPS

MRS. MARGARET STUTE, Editor, 1809 Ashland, Fort Worth, Texas.

ENJOY BEAUTY OF THE SEASON—DO FOR OTHERS

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Christmas doings because of various reasons, or personal grief when a beloved member of the family is missing for the first time; or because of thinking, "We have no money to spend, so why bother?" Still others, in this year of war, may think they are too weighed down by its meaning, not only here but in the tortured, starved countries of the rest of the world to have any heart for Christmas celebration. And last, are those who have a husband, a father, sons or a sweetheart away from home in the service, perhaps actually fighting somewhere.

To all of these I can say, I believe it is better and I believe you will feel better if you keep Christmas in some

measure in your home this year.

Christmas is not a silly, senseless festival. It is a time of beauty. Its meaning is of deep significance. It is a festival of love. It celebrates the birth of the Prince of Peace. Surely love and peace on earth and good will to men give Christmas always a reason to be observed. And I believe it helps even the sad heart if some symbol of Christ-mas is visible in their If you decide then that

you are not going to let hristmas down, but it is going to be unusual- Day draws near, going to visualize their own y hard for you this year, in your heart or in your purse, you are not bound to observe it in every usual way. Neither, if you don't wish it, need your observance of Christmas be loud and clattery and crowded and rushed. But you can observe Christmas in some of the other ways which are of the very essence of the day. What that essence is may be this or

To me, the one way in which the Christmas mas secene as much as the younger ones.

Some people have an impulse to pass up spirit comes into a home is with its decorations-wreaths, holly, mistletoe, garlands, candle light, red "for sure" on the holiday table; and if trees are to be had this year, a Christmas tree. This tree may be large or small, or symbolized and trimmed not at all, a little, or a lot.

To visit friends one loves and favorite relatives one hasn't seen in a long time, to invite them to one's home. This, too, is part of Christmas. So are carols and so is the Christmas service at church. So is doing something, a gift, a visit, to bring joy to the heart of some special child, a dear, very old person, or an invalid.

The Christmassy Christmas dinner table is another observance of

Christmas that simply is to me an inseparable part of the day.

As for your children, almost no matter what may be holding you back, I don't believe they should see their home denuded of the Christmas spirit. Christmas stands for loving and giving and beauty and peace. These verties and home are what we're working for and our men are fighting for. Our children sense it. And certainly our boys and mentolk far away, to whom home is a warm bright spot, are not, as Christmas

home in a Christmas dim-out. They won't

want it that way

Most of the other things I haven't mentioned, which make Christmas for a child, should go on if possible. And I want to add that this applies very definitely to our boys and girls in their teens War has come very close to them, and home should be as vibrant for them, and they should figure in the Christ-

THE CHRISTMAS DINNER

Christmas dinner takes on added importance

as students arrive home The dinner must be the best the house can afford, and the grocer

The question as to whether it is to be turkey, goose, or a fat hen has no doubt been settled long ere this. It may not even be necessary to offer suggestions of dishes or menus, for certainly the family's favorites must be given preference. However, there will be those looking for ideas, so here they are:

Modest Christmas Dinner Molded Tomato Aspic

Assorted Relishes Warm Rolls

Sweet Potato Pudding

and cinnamon cup of brown augar

teaspoon salt tablespoon molasses

Prune Cranberry Whip

cup butter

Roast turkey, goose or chicken with Stuffing and brown gravy
Sweet potatoes with apples Buttered onions
Hot mince tarts with hard sauce
Apple and nut bowl Coffee.

Spoon Bread this year as boys come home on furlough to If you enjoy spoon bread, here is one that colebrate the holiday with their families and is different, one so soft that it must be spoon-

ed from the dish in which it was baked, delicious for either breakfast or luncheon served with gravy or but-Pour 1 cup water over 3

tablespoons of white cornmeal and mix until smooth. Add 1 tablespoon flour, 1 teaspoon salt and 1 tablespoon sugar. Cook in double boiler until thick, stirring constantly. Stir in 1 cup drained cooked rice and 1 tablespoon butter. Add the beaten yolks of 2 egg whites and pour into greas-ed baking dish; place in a pan containing an inch of hot water and bake in a moderate oven, 350 degrees F. 35 to 40 minutes.

Frosted Grapes Make a delightful centerpiece for the holi-(Continued top next column)

day banquet. Select three large, firm bunches of red or blue grapes, brush with a mixture of a tablebly. Dust lightly with granulated sugar and allow to dry. Arholly leaves or laurel.

Peanut Butter Taffy

gether in a heavy pan. Stir over lay. low heat until hard ball forms when tested in cold water. Cool

Holiday Nibblers

Make them yourself this way: Boil mas derivation. a half-cup of water, a cup of sugar and a quarter-teaspoon of salt two cups of nutmeats, stirring until all are coated.

PLANE WING AND TAIL

tail surfaces, has been install- Mother and the Magi. is 40 below zero. Thermal babies on their knees. lar Mechanics.

And when they were departed, behold, the angel of exception, each explains in a dream, saying, Arise, and promises the baby something take the young child and his special if he will go to sleep. mother, and flee into Egypt, The last line of a Danish and be thou there until I bring lullaby says that daddy has thee word: for Herod will gone to buy baby a new pair seek the young child to de- of shoes. stroy him. When he arose,

CRADLE SONGS

spoon of water and an egg white, Bethlehem lay swaddled in a beaten until blended but not bub- manger under star-sprinkled eastern skies, mothers range on a large mirror and tie throughout the world have stems together with a shining sil- rocked their babies to sleep in ver bow. Surround mirror with cradles akin to that first, crude trough. According to an article printed in the Chi-One and one-third cups (1 can) cago Tribune of August 8, sweetened condensed milk, 2 table- 1888, and embellished with spoons peanut butter, 1/2 cup corn line drawings, the cradle is a Cook sweetened condensed milk, direct descendant of the manpeanut butter and corn syrup to- ger in which the Christ-child

In shape, design, decoraon buttered pan. Pull until firm. tion, its traditional use in Stretch into long rope and cut in Christian homes and churches and the religious surroundings of the songs sung over Always approve of sugared nuts. it, the cradle shows its Christ-

The Dutch painted open until it will form a soft ball in armed figures of the little cold water. Add a half-teaspoon Jesus on the foot-boards of of vanilla, then gradually mix in the hooded cradles in which their babies slept. The Holy head of Russian babies' beds. Hungarian children slept with

wing, where ice usually rocked their babies in their burning in the window. forms first, at 60 degrees arms, and Zulus squatted on When morning came it was when the outside temperature the ground and dandled the as though a miracle had hap-

bat, at slow flying speeds, and once was one of the great was something more—a new during takeoffs and landings. festivals of German Chris- air of peace and hope. Short-The anti-icing effect begins tians. They were always sung ly after daybreak, a messenas soon as the motors are on Christmas night and al- ger came riding into the vil-

the Lord appeareth to Joseph where daddy has gone or

Hottentot mothers sang he took the young child and songs of their sultry surhis mother by night, and de- roundings to their children, parted into Egypt. Matthew describing their silver rivers singing, the twining flowers

amid the trees, and the flight Ever since the babe of of the gay green birds. Japanese mothers promised red beans and fish on awakening, and Chinese mothers agreed to prepare boiled mutton.

> Scottish mothers sang a lullaby which has renewed significance this year:

"Ba-loo, ba-loo, my wee, wee thing.
O, softly close thy blinkin' e'e; Thy daddy now is far awa', A sailor laddie o'er the sea."

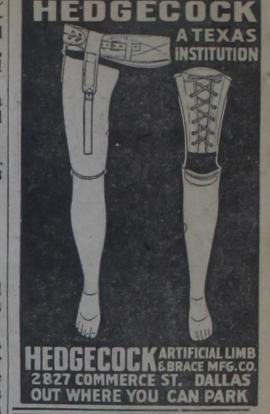
LIGHTED CANDLES A LEGEND

There is this legend behind the custom of lighting candles on Christmas Eve.

Long, long ago in Austria there lived an old shoemaker in a little cottage at the edge of a village. Although this humble man had little, his goodness of heart was such that each evening he placed a lighted candle in his window family stood guard at the to welcome weary travelers

Thermal anti-icing, a sys- the cross at their heads, and famine and hardships came duces soot formation and thus tem by which air warmed by German children once lay in to all; sons died in battle; ani- saves fuel. House holders the exhaust gases is blown cradles surrounded by the mals starved for want of who had found it necessary to through ducts onto wing and painted images of the Holy grain. Yet always the old hand-clean surfaces of their ed on big bombers made by Even the hammocks in peasants finally gathered to week threw one or two cup-Consolidated Vultee. Exhaust which young South American figure out why he was spar- fuls of salt on the fire every gases, formerly wasted, heat Indians lay and the hooded ed. They decided it might be day and reported a decided rethe de-icing air through heat boards used for carrying because of the welcoming duction in soot. exchangers in the exhaust North American Indian ba- candle which still burned pipes. The aid then is cir- bies show a trace of the brightly in his window each temperatures and forms a culated through wing and tail manger in their design. Jap- night. That night, the eve be- vapor which settles on the surfaces. The heated air anese and Chinese children fore Christmas, every house surface of the soot. This lowkeeps the leading edges of the slept on the floor. Hottentots in the village had a candle ers the ignition temperature

pened. A soft mantle of snow anti-icing can be used in com- Singing of cradle songs covered the village. There started, and will begin in- most always in a church. lage, bringing news of peace. stantly to remove ice that ac- All lullabies murmured The peasants were awed. "It cumulated on a grounded air- over cradles throughout the was the candles," they whisplane, which formery had to world have the same, sooth- pered. "They have guided be removed by hand .- Popu- ing sort of words and tunes the Christ Child to our door- How would you like to have the exclusive as those of the lullaby classic, steps. We must never again are employed, would you like to earn by "Rock-a-bye, baby, on the fail to light candles on His turning your spare time into dollars? Write The Praetorians at above address.



PUTTING SALT ON THE FIRE SAVES FUEL

The United States Bureau who might be asking shelter, of Mines finds that table salt War came to the village; thrown on a furnace fire reshoemaker suffered less. The heaters two or three times a

> Salt volatilizes at high of the soot and enables it to burn away more readily.

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serve. Serves 6 to 8.

Rice Stuffing for Roast Duck

duck. Use a good head rice. Wash through several cold waters, until the last rinse water is clear. Rub 1/2 teaspoon shortening over bottom of a large saucepan; add rice and pour over it at least 2 quarts of rapidly boiling water. Boil rapidly, uncovered, for about 15 to 20 minutes, or until grains are soft

and finger.

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FARWELL, PARMER COUNTY, TEXAS,

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1943

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nd lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star,

rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary, His Mother, and fell down, and worshipped Him; and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto Him gifts; gold, frankincense and myrrh.

The Gospel according to St. Matthew



Farwell Flyer Gives Life to Save Destruction of Village in England

The heretofore untold story of how Lt. Claude (Buzz) Gober, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Gober, lost his life, has been revealed in letters received this week from two members of his crew, one of whom was an eye-witness of the crash of the B-17, which cost the lives of all but one member of the

Lt. Gober, it is now revealed, together with other members of his crew, willingly sacrificed his life in order to keep his bomb-laden plane from falling on a small village in England, on Nov. 16.

The Tribune is publishing two letters, and a newspaper account of the crash, which give the details of the plane crash in which our young hero laid his life on the altar willingly to save the lives of many in the little village of Wargrave, England.

The two letters follow:

11-19-43 384th Bomb Gr.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Gober:

The writer of this letter was the co-pilot on the crew of which your life I was relieved of my duty in favor of a more experienced co-pilot,

Claude and the crew were on an incomplete. been done to have prevented the Claude was.

this group.

just a great loss to you and to his have attended Claude's funeral, and country. Claude and I were close that he has been properly laid to friends. The four officers of his crew: rest. Connell, Angthius, Claude and I, of Please accept my heartfelt symwhom I alone remain yet alive -not pathy. I share in your grief. only worked and played together, we ate together, we slept in the same quarters, we argued, we joked, we laughed, we talked-always together. Through it all I have come to Dear Mr. Gober: know Claude as a good, sound, hon- As radio man on your son's crew, est fellow. There was not hate in



son Claude was bombardier. On the J. I. Gober, died with other members up in the air. day of the crash that cost Claude his of his crew on an American flying

Albert H. Doman, who along with him. He was clean. He always thouall aboard except Alan Purdy, the ght the best of a person always radio operator, met death in that overlooked all else to see the best in crash. It is by this token that I am a person. Being such a credit to you, enabled now to send you my con- to his state, to his country, he goes now leaving us sad, making us feel

operational mission. While yet over Not many days ago he told me he Britian the plane suddenly went into wanted to buy Christmas presents a spin from which, apparently, it for all of you-and especially for his never recovered. From Alan Purdy, little sister-'Sissy", as he called who was thrown from the plane, I her. I know he had a great warm learn that Claude at this time was spot in his heart for her. In his bag in the radio room, for he had just -after he did not come back--I completed a duty regarding the found over \$200, which I gave to our bombs. However, he had no para- Adjutant to send to you, which I chute on, nor was he able to get one trust you have received by this time. soon enough. Conjecture may sup- Perhaps you could buy something ply various theories on the cause of for "sissy"—as Claude would have the accident, but one thing seems done. Such good fellows as Claude certain to me: That no one was at must not be forgotten. Every little fault and that nothing could have girl should have as fine a brother as

loss. It was cruel destiny-This great I had no intention of writing this much to you. After all words are To you, as well as to me, I am sure | nothing in the face of such a great there is not much consolation in loss to you. Yet I wanted you to knowing that Claude (lived and) know what little we know of the died a hero. He is gone, and he is accident. In a separate envelope J irreplacable. His spirit, however, will send you a newspaper clipping whalways live with the men who knew ich gives one version of the crash. Local Barber Is him. Claude was an exemplary sold- Whether or not it is correct in every ier and an exceedingly capable detail is unimportant. A man such bombardier, as I knew and I was as Claude performs a thousand herotold by the leading bombardier of ic acts which go unrecorded, unrecognized.

But Claude's death is more than I also want you to know that I

Yours respectfully,

Sampson Sharff.

November 23, 1943

Gave Life

The following account, taken from a London newspaper, tells the story of the heroic act of Lt. Claude Gober, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Gober, living northeast of this city:

9 In Blazing Bomb-Laden Fort Die To Save English Village

WARGRAVE, Berkshire, Nov. 16 -All but one member of the crew | The Christmas pageant, presented dozen or more of the enemy. of an American B17 gave their lives at the local Methodist church last Saturday to save this little village Sunday evening, under the direction 2 More Cars of Meal when their bomb-laden Fortress cau- of Ellis Mills, drew a nice sized cr-

CHOOSING DEATH rather than town's houses and accurately releas- of the Home, reported today.

ploded. His parachute opened and ton Henderson took the part of Jos- county for the month of December he escaepd with a sprained ankle. eph, supported by the usual cast of and he gave it as his opinion that S-Sgt. Alan B. Purdy.

ically no damage to the town.

as they had previously sent a radio ful citizens.

"In my opinion." he said, "the U. S. fliers deliberately stayed on board to reach the riverside field and unload their bombs before making a crash landing. The proof is that although the river is 60 yards wide, one bomb broke the river bank and landed in the water, and the rest landed in a straight line on both banks not more than 20 feet from the water, thus saving our lives.

"I believe the aim would have been more acurate still if the explosion of the plane had not not red the direction of the last three bombs.

Very Unhappy

Fred Henry of the Twin City Barber Shop, is very unhappy, and it all came about by what he terms "the biggest yarn ever told in his shop by a preacher."

Henry contends that barber shops are always the accepted place for spinning yarns. but he dislikes the idea of a preacher carrying off the honors for telling the biggest one.

The yarn, according to Henry, was told by an unnamed local preacher who vows that he witnessed a jack rabbit chasing a (Continued on back page) | vicious bull dog.

GAS FUMES FATAL TO MOTHER, CHILD

GIVE YOUR RENEWAL TO CRIPPLED GIRL

Subscribers of the Bovina region, whose subscription will expire during the next few days, are reminded that Miss Mille Holden is authorized to accept new and renewal subscriptions.

Miss Holden is badly crippled from the effects of an attack of infantile paralysis and this will the means of helping her earn some Christmas money.

30 Tractors Assured For Parmer County

Parmer county has been assured a full quota of 30 farm tractors for the present season, it was announced here today by Ellis Mills, of the AAA

county. He said that there were ten tion. implement dealers serving the county and a check with these dealers revealed that it was considered likely they would have more than 30 tractors to be offered for sale, in which case additional machines sell them," Mills said.

Speaking of the combine outlook, Bougainville-(Delayed)- Marine operations. been allocated 21 for the season, and ranch hand of Farwell, Texas, meted he felt reasonable sure that that nu- out some to at least one Jap riflember would be available to this man during the first few minutes

He went on to say that this county had also been given a quota of 21 grain drills, adding "right now we don't know how many we will get.

Christmas Play Nets

ght fire and had to be abandoned. | wod and netted \$317.24 for the Meth-They stayed on board their burn odist Home at Waco, Texas, Supt. ing plane, steered it away from the J. T. Carter, layman representative

story, with Mrs. Lenton Pool acting here today. The sole survivor of the Fortress as the principal narriator. Miss Joan This, he said, will make a total of

out. As it was, the hombs did pract- offering this year was more than operations. double that raised locally last year The local chief rescue oficer said for the Home, where 400 orphaned he was convinced the airmen could boys and girls are housed and are have bailed out in plenty of time, being cared for and trained into use-

Most Roads Now Open Following Moisture date of their driver's license.

due to rain, sleet and snow.

roads are yet blocked by heavy drifts new applicants for licenses. mers are still having to detour arou- cation is made in advance of expir- today. nd these roads in order to reach their ation dates. But if the license is al-

quite a bit of barley and rye will be ion to be conducted by a state pat- would not be asked to make applicplanted in Parmer county as soon as rolman, she added. the fields are dry enough to work. Better check your license and note have T books issued by other boards Some farmers, fearing that it is too the expiration date. If it expires in would have to make application for late to plant wheat, are making ar- the near future, come to the sheriff's new mileage gasoline for use in rangements to seed their fields to office and get an application blank trucks. rye and barley.

MANY FARM SALES

reports.



ONE SHOT, ONE JAP-That's the record of Sgt. Sam Justice, a mem-This number, Mills added, will just ber of the U. S. Marines, now stattions now on file, and he gave some previously reported missing in achope that more tractors in addition tion, but latest reports seem to into the 30 might be available in this dicate that he was very much in ac-

Jap With First Shot

(The following story was written baby girl were lying on the floor, would be available. "I feel certain if by Sergeant Peter Pavone, Jr. of 27 any dealer has any tractors on hand Baldwin Street, Bridgeport, Cohnecafter certificates have been issued to ticut, a Marine Corps Combat Cor- dustry. Through hard work and good cover the 30, he will be permitted to respondent and sent to this news- management they were getting a fair paper by air mail.)

Mills said that Parmer county had Sergeant Sam J. Justice, 26, former after his unit went into combat here.

The lanky, drawling Texan was with a five-man patrol proceeding ahead of his line when they encountered a group of Japs. Sam saw one pop up out of a fox-hole.

Sam finished him off with one shot and then hurried on to catch up ght. \$317.24 to Orphans with the remainded of his group, which had meanwhile killed half a

Alloted Parmer Co.

An additional two carloads of cotton seed meal have been alloted to take the risk of blowing up a whole ed their entire load of explosive The pageant, which was written Parmer county stockmen through the Portales, N. M., which is maintained little village in England, Lt. Claude along the banks of a narrow river and directed by Mr. Mills, featured Commodity Credit Corporation, Ellis Gober, above, son of Mr. and Mrs. a split second before the plane biew the old, yet always new Christmas Mills, AAA supervisor, announced

> was blown out when the plane ex- Booth was cast as Mary, while Clif- four carloads to be allocated to this He was listed by the Air Force as shepherds. The junior choir, under considerable more could be expected the direction of Mrs. Paul H. Tripp, for the month of January. Also, there Villagers of Wargrave were con- furnished the music, and Miss Marcia will not be sufficient protein feed to vinced that the heroism, self-sacrif-ice and cool aiming of the airmen the program.
>
> Anne Johnson contributed a solo to meet all demands to the limit and he warned stock. In to be just as consaved the village from being wiped | Supt. Carter stated today that the servative as possible in their feeding

Better Check Your Driver's License

Mrs. Bess Mansfield, clerk at the

Most country roads leading to county driver's license would expire sale. Texico-Farwell are open again this in the near future; some are already week after almost two weeks of expired, and must be renewed bepractically impassable conditions, fore expiration date if the holder is to be permitted foregoing the rigid However, some east-west rural examination that is required on all

lowed to lapse, the holder will be that holders of T books that had It is agreed that some wheat and required to submit to an examinat- been granted through the local office

for a renewal.

MOVING TO BORGER

Col. Dick Dosher, local auctioneer, lived at Friona for the past several Jan. 5th. it might be well to come to reports there are a number of farm years, are moving to Borger, where the local office and check up for fear sales in prospect after the holiday they will make their home. Mr. Loyd of an oversight or a misplaement in season, and that he expects a lively renewed his subscription to The the mails. business. He had a very successful Tribune last week in order to keep sale at the Levy farm last week, he up with what was going on in Parmer county.

TRAGEDY . .

A holiday tragedy that took the life of a young farm woman and her little four-year-old daughter greeted Eugene Dixon, living seven miles northwest of Texico, upon his return home from a business trip to Roswell last Friday evening.

Mrs. Dixon, the 22-year-old wife, and the little girl Rosmarie were lying on the floor of the dining room, their bodies rigid and cold.

A coroner's jury in Clovis on Saturday returned a verdict that they met their death from carbon-monoxide poison, caused by fumes from a butane gas stove in the room.

Funeral services for the pair were held at the Steed Memorial chapel Tuesday afternoon and the remains were buried in the Clovis cemetery-

The condition of the mother and daughter's bodies indicated that they had been dead for several hours. Mr. Dixon had been in Roswell since early in the day in search of cottonseed cake with which to feed his about take off half of the applica- ioned on Bougainville. He had been his return late that evening. He imdairy herd and found the bodies on mediately notified nearby neighbors.

> At the coroner's inquest, Dixon revealed that he installed a butane system only a few weeks ago, and that his wife had complained of headaches ever since they installed the gas heater in the home. He said that the room was very warm when he entered and that his wife and

> The Dixon's were a young farm family of exceeding ability and instart with their farming and dairy

Baptist Program Set For Christmas Eve

Concluding the Christmas programs to be offered locally will be a program to be presented at the Baptist church on Christmas Eve, under the direction of Mrs. Edd Eason, Mrs. Clyde Magness and Mrs. W. C. Wri-

Musical numbers, featuring the adult choir, will make up most of the program. Members of other departments will render special numbers to round out an interesting Christmas program.

Rev. W. C. Wright, pastor, has announced that contributions, in the form of gifts and cash, will be made to the Portales Orphans' Home at by the Baptists of this region. The public is invited to attend.

Ira Taylor to Have Sale on January 6

Ira Taylor, one of the pioneer homesteaders of this region, has announced that he will have a public farm sale at his place southwest of Texico on Thursday, January 6th.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, who came to this locality 35 years ago, have recently sold their farm and plan to go to Calif., where they will spend a few months visiting their children, and then return here to make their

A complete list of the offerings to sheriff's office, today warned all be listed in the sale will appear in motorists to check up the expiration The Tribune next week. Col. Dick Dosher wil act as auctioneer and O. She explained that all Parmer W. Francis will serve as clerk of the

T Gas Tags Must be Renewed January 1

Holders of T gasoline ration books of snow and sleet, which has melted | Application blanks for renewing will have to get their books renewvery little since piling up two weeks licenses may be obtained at the ed by January 1st, Mrs. Nell Bobst, ago, and as a consequence, many far- sheriff's office, providing such appli- clerk at the ration office, announced

Mrs. Bobst went on to explain ation for renewals, but parties who

She suggested that anybody now operating vehicles on T books, who for any reason failed to receive a Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Loyd, who have renewal of their coupons by mail by

> Ten thousand American women work in petroleum refineries.

Renew Now ... \$1.50 Year



State Line Grocery and Market

MAE & JOHN



To Our Many Friends and Customers, to Our Employees,

A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Serving You and Working With You Has Been a Pleasure!

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Malone FARWELL, TEXAS.

At the Yuletide season we There is an atmosphere of are reminded of our many good will and good cheer pleasant business relationprevailing among the memships . . . of your many bers of this organization courtesies . . . of our own which finds expression in good will toward you. this greeting to you.

Steed Mortuary

We wish you a Happy Christmas:

PHONE 14

HE trouble began at Christmas time. Rod Fairfaxe gave his wife, Esther, a nightgown. She knew he was going to give her a nightgown because the Fairfaxes were a practical family with a limited income and they always talked over such things as Christmas presents before they bought them.

It was black. Black silk crepe. It had doodads here and there to liven it up a bit.

Esther stared at it. "Oh, Rod!" she said, her heart sinking.

"Isn't it a pip!" Rod cried hap-

"It's a pip, all right. But-but it must have cost an awful lot."

but you needed it and just this once 4 percent or more butterfat. I thought I'd splurge. After all, you deserve nice things.'

"Yes-but-but-all that money for a nightgown and-now I can't have a new evening gown." Esther plopped down on the divan and began to weep.

"Be practical! You telling me to be practical and you go throw away



"It looks great," Rod said of the dress Esther had made over.

money on a thing like that when all I can do is wear it to bed! And I do need a new evening gown. I'm going to make a speech at my college class reunion in February andand oh, I had planned on a new evening gown." She sat up, and became defiant. "And I'm going to have one," she declared.

Esther began weeping again, but it didn't do any more than provide an outlet for her bitterness. A new evening gown, she knew, was now entirely out of the question. Even if they could afford it she could never persuade Rod that she needed one to wear for only one night. Now, a nightgown, you could wear every night. More practical.

Relations between the Fairfaxes were a bit strained during the ensuing weeks. Esther trotted out her two evening gowns, one of which she had bought at a bargain sale a decade ago and the other which had fitted her fine when she was twenty pounds lighter. She ripped them both apart and made a single gar-

"Swell!" Rod approved. "It looks great. It does something for you." "Among other things," Esther replied icily, "it makes me feel like

Rod said nothing. He had been reading the papers during the past few days and had learned that this alumni dinner and reunion which his wife was attending was really something. Many of the girls in her class had married men who had prospered and were famous, and it occurred to him that, stacked up against these females, Esther, in her made-over dress, might look a bit dowdy. And if she looked dowdy that would reflect on him, wouldn't

Esther departed the day before the reunion and that night Rod read in the papers that, because Mrs. John Cannon, wife of the celebrated piano virtuoso, had agreed to attend, the affair had assumed the proportions of a major social function and would be broadcast over station ABC-XYZ.

So Rod, feeling qualms of guilt, settled himself in his easy chair the next night, tuned in and lent an ear. He got a big bang from hearing his wife's voice come over the air and at the conclusion of her speech he felt pretty proud. In fact, he felt so proud that he wished now that he had bought her the evening gown. He could imagine her standing up to the microphone with the eyes of several hundred fashionably dressed females watching her, feeling like a plugged nickel in her made-over thing. He began to think of something he could do to make up for the humiliation he had caused

Rod blinked again. Esther laughed merrily. "Darling, I went up there without my made-over. Imagine! So I did the only thing I could. I wore the lovely black nightgown, and it really looked stunning. Oh, Rod, you were right. A black nightgown is more practical."

Happy Memories

Here's what went into a 12 pound Christmas cake in the happy days before rationing and scarcities, in case you've forgotten:

Christmas Fruit Cake 1 pound of butter or other fat 14 pounds of brown sugar

- 10 egg yolks 2 oranges, juice and grated rind
- 1 lemon, juice and grated rind 1 teaspoon of soda
- cup of molasses 1 cup of black coffee
- pound of flour
- 1 teaspoon of salt 1 teaspoon of cloves
- 2 teaspoons of cinnamon 2 teaspoons of mace
- 2 teaspoons of nutmeg
- 1 glass of tart jelly 3 pounds of raisins
- 2 pounds of currants
- 1 pound of citron 2 cups of flour for the fruit 10 egg whites

Practically all creamed cottage cheese came under rationing recent-"Well, as a matter of fact, it was ly when brown stamps were requira little more than I intended to pay, ed for this type of cheese containing

WELCOMES CHRISTMAS AND WE EXTEND

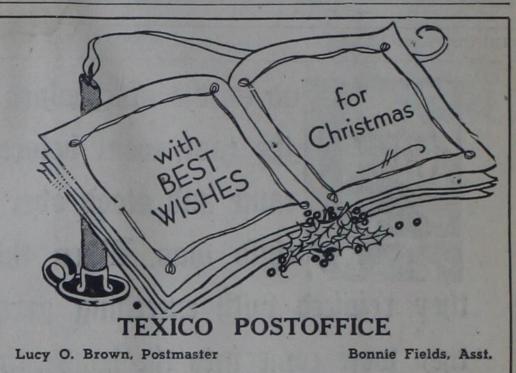
BARNES

LAUNDRY

wells before it is returned to the pointed out. ground-to eliminate the effects of is exposed to the air-is resulting ported grey goods will be eliminat-

Purification of salt water from oil University of Texas geologist, has

chemical changes and of growth of Inflationary prices for some finbacetria occuring when the water ished cotton fabrics made from imin the prolongation of the life oi ed by an amendment to the finish-Texas oil fields, F. B. Plummer, ed piece goods price regulation.





AS THE TUNE OF THIS GREAT OLD CHRISTMAS CAROL IS SUNG THROUGHOUT AMERICA, WE PAUSE TO EXTEND SEASON'S GREETINGS TO OUR MANY LOYAL FRIENDS.

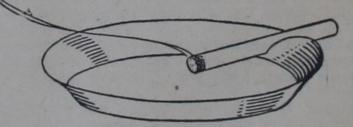
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FARWELL, TEXAS.

a Happy, Prosperous New Year, too!

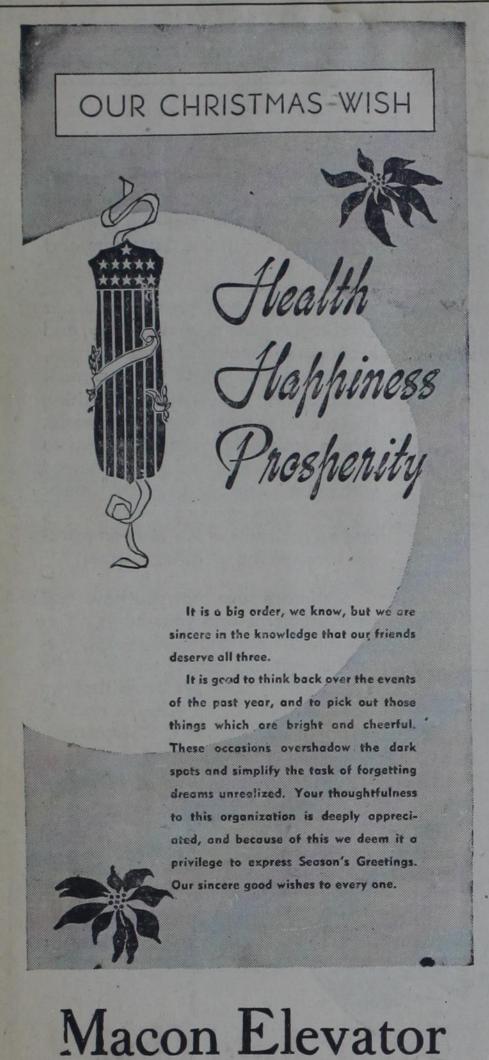
It is natural at the Christmas Season to look back over the year; it is then that we realize that friendship and friendliness play an important part in making business life more thoroughly wholesome and enjoyable. Yes, it is then that we realize that our many pleasant business relationships make life a happy experience.

It is only natural, too, that we look upon our business associates as our good friends . . And, while between friends, it is hardly necessary to express one's feelings, (when they are pretty well understood already), we are mighty glad that the Christmas Spirit gives us this opportunity to pledge anew our friendship for you and to express our gratitude for your good will.



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Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Macon

Bovina, Texas.



It is a greeting of friendliness that warms the heart and brings friends closer to each other, no matter how far distant they may be. It is the thoughtful expression of regard that one man has for another—the salutation of understanding and in all lands the manifestation of kindness among friends and kindred.

It is a greeting that interprets for us the true meaning of Christmas and the New Year—the entire Holiday Season.

So as the Holidays approach again, it is our sincere and hearty wish that yours will be a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

THELMA'S

CLOVIS, N. M.



"T HIS 'peace on earth, good will toward men' stuff gives me a pain," Darl said. He laughed cynically, looking down into the girl's troubled eyes. "It gets me how you got hooked into it, Pam. Why don't you look the thing squarely in the face and realize it's the bunk!"

"You must be blind!" Pamela cried. "There are thousands and thousands of people who give things."

"O.K., honey." He smiled. "We look at it differently. The way I figure it, a man never does something for nothing. If he isn't rewarded with material gain, then he's rewarded by having his vanity salved. There's always a selfish motive behind a so-called act of kindness, no matter which way you figure it. But it isn't important. What is important is that it's Christmas and you and I are in love and we ought to think of celebrating."

"It is important, Darl." Her voice was suddenly vibrant. "It's important to me to show you that you're wrong. I couldn't be happy with a man who had those ideas." And then, seeing the expression on his face, her tone softened. "Oh, I know it seems silly to you—quarreling about something so trite. But to me it isn't trite. Oh, Darl, let me show you how wrong you are!"

The streets were festive. Colored lights and greenery showed in every window. Lighted trees were on every street corner. Pam stopped the car while a group of carol singers trooped by. A girl with a tambourine thrust a smiling face against the coupe window. She dropped coins into it and smiled and said, "Merry Christmas."

They left the gaily lighted streets



A moment later, a small middleaged lady came bustling out.

street. She stopped before a house and sounded her horn. A moment later a small, middle-aged lady came bustling out. She carried a basket. Pam opened the door for her, and introduced Darl. Her name was Kimball.

"Well!" said the little lady. "This is nice. I suppose you're the young man to whom Miss Tripp is engaged."

"Yes, we're engaged," Darl said. He wondered what she had in the basket. She was so poorly dressed, so frail and appeared so undernourished. But there was a sparkle in her eyes.

But instead of driving back to the city, Pam drove across the railroad tracks and into the desolate, ill-lighted thoroughfares of Jaytown. At last they stopped before a dilapidated tenement house. They entered a dark, cold hall, mounted stairs and rapped on a door. A weak

voice bade them enter. The room was warmer than the hall outside, lighted with a kerosene lamp. A woman lay in bed, a child cradled in her arms. Mrs. Kimball matter-of-factly stirred up the fire, produced candles and lighted them. Pamela straightened things in the room with surprising efficiency. The woman in the bed watched from hollow eyes while Mrs. Kimball unpacked her basket, set out a pitifully small supply of foodstuffs, some strings of popcorn, the green bough of a pine tree, an orange, two apples, a bottle of milk.

The sick woman's eyes we're eager, grateful as the things appeared. In no time at all the pine bough was arranged on the table, the strings of popcorn draped over it, oranges placed at its base, two candles on either side.

Darl's forehead wrinkled. He saw the glow on Mrs. Kimball's face, the sparkle in her eyes. She was poor. She was doing all she could, and the woman in the bed knew this. She was giving back gratitude and warmth of feeling and love.

They left Mrs. Kimball and drove back to the city. They stopped near the park to listen to the carol singers. Pam looked at him. "Did it mean anything to you, Darl? Do you see what I mean?"

Darl thought of the woman in the bed and Mrs. Kimball. "It's a self-ish motive," he thought. And aloud he said: "I never thought about it this way before, but isn't it nice we have such—selfish people as Mrs. Kimball and Pamela Tripp?"

Pamela nestled against his shoulder. "And Darl Holloway," she



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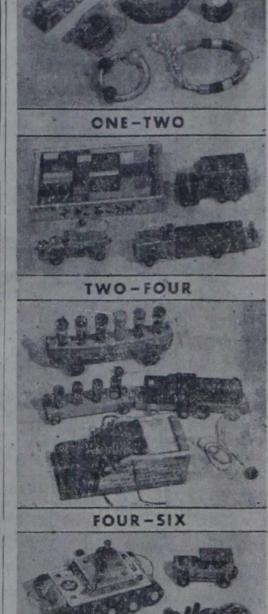
May the Lights of Your Christmas Tree be Undimmed . . . 6

May they be even brighter than ever before in reflecting the true happiness of the Yuletide Season. The remembrance of many favors that have been ours in the past leads us each year to look forward to the opportunity afforded by the Christmas Season to extend our good wishes to our good friends in this community. In our way of thinking these friends are invaluable and furnish us with cheerful and happy thoughts, particularly during times like the present. It is refreshing to look back upon these associations, and we eagerly look forward to a continuance of them. It makes for happier living and strengthens our belief in mankind. The Season's best to everyone.

Trimble Barber and Tailor Shop

Bovina, Texas.

TRIBUNE ADS BRING HOME THE BACON 'Educational' Tovs Will



The newest toys are designed to teach your child how to use his hands, his eyes and his intelligence. Just as much fun to play with as any of the beloved objects we treasured as children, these sturdy new toys teach as well as entertain. The toys illustrated above, taken from a group on display at the Merchandise Mart in Chicago, show the kinds of toys recommended for various age groups.

It takes five years for the termite to complete its life cycle-including the time he spends gnawing at the underpinnings of your

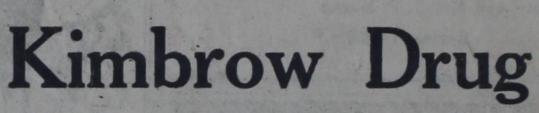
Teach as They Entertain Send The Tribune for Christmas, \$1.50

his Season, more than ever before, we realize the true significance of Christmas. As in years past, we have looked forward to the opportunity of expressing Season's Greetings to our friends and customers, and this year is no exception.

Much has happened within the past year to alter our habits and customs. Such changes have been necessary, and we have gladly tried to do our part. Because of these changes. the true meaning of Christmas is brought home to us more

> forcibly Christmas is a tangible thing that means so much in a chaotic world. It is a season of good fellowship to which American people look forward with enthusiasm It is the one time of the year when cares can be forgotten, and an occasion which you can treasure through the months to come.

We are sure that you have had your problems and your cares. You have had your share of disappointments. It is because we are fully conscious of your problems that we want to attempt to bring a note of cheer to you at this Christmastime. With sincere feelings of friendship and appreciation, we wish for you a very happy Christmas



BOVINA, TEXAS.

GO HAND IN HAND ..

All too often we take our friends for granted. We are aware of the fact that every day sees some evidence of the friendships of the people whom we strive to serve and too frequently we neglect acknowledging these kindnesses.

But at Christmas, when we pause in the busy whirl of everyday routine things, we become conscious of our shortcomings, and wish to convey in this message our heartfelt thanks for the good things that have come our way.

To you, our friends, we wish you a Happy Christmas and a New Year of Health and Prosperity.



This Sincere Greeting From Your County Officials



LEE THOMPSON

Christma

County Judge and School Superintendent

EARL BOOTH

Sheriff-Assessor-Collector

D. K. ROBERTS

County and District Clerk

ROY B. EZELL

County Treasurer

County Attorney

DAVID MOSELEY

County Commissioner, Pct. No. 1

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County Commissioner, Pct. No. 2

T. E. LEVY

County Commissioner, Pct. No. 3

O. M. JENNINGS

County Commissioner, Pct. No. 4

TOYS AROUSED BOYS' GENIUS



Robert Louis Stevenson's preoccupation with toy theaters in his youth, much of which was spent in illness,' led to the flowering of his dramatic

prose in adulthood. The Wright brothers' first interest in flying is

traced to youthful experiments with kites and toy airships.

The Teddy bear is the most popular doll of all time. The first Teddy bear was designed by Margarette Steiff from a cartoonist's version of the late President Theodore ("Teddy") Roosevelt's bear hunt in the Rockies, and thus the toy was

Year in and year out the Teddy bear and his stuffed cousins, from Uncle Remus in 1909 to the Panda in 1937, have topped all others in popularity, the authors say. They estimate that there are some 10 million Teddy bears in American homes

The ball is one of the closest rivals of the doll among children and its antiquity can be traced to ancient Egypt. Pottery, wood, and papyrus balls were common in the land of Cleopatra and a manuscript of the 15th century mentions "the yellow glass used for the little balls with which school boys play, and which are very cheap."

Give him a Crisp WAR BOND for a CHRISTMAS present to be remembered. Keep on BACKING THE AT-



IN A CORNER OF THE WORLD

Where the guiding light of Peace still is the hope of its people, we pause and look back with pride to new friendships formed and old ones grown stronger. And as we face the future, we are grateful for the folks who have been our inspiration in the past, helping us to strive toward even greater service from year to year.

This is our pledge to maintain these efforts that we may continue to enjoy your confidence.

Farmers Supply Company

CLIFF HENDERSON, Mgr.

Texico, Farwell

MERRY AMERICAN CHRISTMAS



and may our flag forever be the symbol of

Continental Oil Company

C. J. DOOSE, Representativey

Shortbread Is Tasty Scotch Holiday Fare

WANT to please someone who "has everything" with a really extra special Christmas gift?

A festively decorated round of Royal Scotch shortbread is the perfect answer to that very pressing problem.

The familiar tartan-covered, heather-trimmed tins are missing from the stores this year, so Christmas recipe from Scotland and make some ourselves in-

A quarter cup of powdered sugar is all the recipe requires, so you can plan to make as many rounds as you can for Christmas gifts.

After all sugar is a very precious item this Christmas, isn't it, and it's good to know of something so delectable that does require so lit-

One of the tricks in making good Scotch shortbread is to rub the butter into the flour mixture with the fingertips instead of a pastry blender. The butter softens slightly that way and absorbs the flour and sugar perfectly.

The sliced cherries and the chopped almonds are the ingredients that give the regal touch and unbelievably Christmassy texture to this usually somewhat austere Scotch specialty. It's so good you just have to taste it to believe it! Save half a dozen of the most perfect cherries and almonds for decoration-or use bits of green argelica

with the cherries instead. If you have a box of glace fruit you can let your imagination run riot of course and really go to town, but in general the cherries will do

the job very nicely indeed. When the shortbread is baked, cut a round of white cardboard exactly the same size. Slide a broad spatula gently under the round of shortbread when it is cool and lift it carefully on to the cardboard.

Wrap gaily in cellophane and trim proudly with red ribbon and holly, for a gift of Royal Scotch short-bread is a very elegant gift indeed!

Royal Scotch Shortbread.

1/2 cup sifted flour

1/3 cup cornstarch

1/4 cup powdered beet sugar 1/4 cup butter

1 egg yolk, beaten

1/4 cup chopped blanched almonds 1/3 cup candied cherries, quartered

Sift together flour, cornstarch and sugar. Add butter, blending with finger tips until thoroughly mixed. Add egg yolk, mix well with fork. Add almonds and cherries. Form into a ball. Place in the center of a greased cooky sheet. Pat or roll out about half an inch thick keeping as perfect a circle as possible. Pinch edges decoratively. Arrange halved cherries and almonds or angelica in the center. Bake in a slow oven (300 degrees) for half an hour or until center is done and edges are lightly browned. Allow to cool. Loosen carefully with spatula before transferring from cooky sheet. The shortbread may be shaped into a square and cut into finger strips before baking if preferred.

Songfest



Almost any school teacher would envy Santa his ability to extract music from these youthful admirers. Their voices may not be those of the herald angels, but their dispositions at this time of year approach the angelic.

Cromwell's Decree Forbid

Observance of Christmas

In the time of Cromwell, an edict forbidding the observance of Christmas was issued. It ordered all shops to be kept open on Christmas day, the shopkeepers to be protected against violence, and says "that no observation shall be had of the five and twentieth day of December, commonly called Christmas day; nor any solemnity used or exercised in churches upon that day in respect thereof."

Meaning of December

December is derived from 'decem," meaning ten. In the old Roman calendar the year began in March and December was the tenth

Special Flavor Of Christmas **Enriches Life**

Children Are Robbed Who Never Have Quickened To Its Thrill.

There is a very special flavor about Christmas which has nothing to do with the giving and getting of presents, and which depends only we'll use a really wonderful old on the spirit which the presents represent. The adult who can keep this spirit and not let himself be worn out and exasperated by the material aspects of the season has kept a part of his childhood alive and can still feel the thrill which the season holds for children.

> The child who has experienced the finest essence of Christmas will always look upon the season with joy and anticipation. His senses will always be stirred by the smell of ev

ergreen, the crackle of holly and the picture of people loaded down with

mysterious parcels.

To get the full flavor there must be secrets, hidden packages, whisperings and private consultations. There must be also increased tension until Christmas Eve with the frantic effort to sleep, that the time may pass more quickly, or the determination to lie awake and peep for a sight of the unexpected.

When Christmas has become too elaborate and is a burden instead of a joy, when everyone decides not to celebrate Christmas this year, the children have been robbed of one of the high spots of childhood.

Life is enriched and quickened by an occasional break in the procedure of everyday existence, and the season which offers the greatest possibilities for such a break is the feast of the winter solstice, when the harvest is over and the spring not yet at hand-the feast of Christmas.

FDR sage:

I hope Americans will figure out for themselves additional payroll sav-



Burning Good Luck Candles Is Ancient Christmas Custom

Try not to let Christmas go by without burning two "good luck candles"-bayberry candles, of course, with their pungent incense! They are as much a part of Christmastide as the holly wreath or the evergreen tree, and there's no perfume to equal the faint fragrance of the wax from real bayberry shrubs.

An old legend vows: That if lovers are separated at Christmas time through some quarrel or misunderstanding, both burn a bayberry candle before midnight on Christmas eve, the sweet incense will be wafted from one to the other and a joyous reunion effected.

But whether that's true or not, we all do know that:

'A bayberry candle burned to the socket

Will bring luck to the house and gold to the pocket!"



THE JOYS

Are enhanced by the thoughts of the splendid associations which have been ours in the past. It reminds us of the loyalty of our hosts of friends in the area. We wish you a Merry Christmas.

FARWELL, TEXAS.

Here's a Christmas



TO THOSE WHOM WE SERVE

AS THE SHADOWS OF THE OLD YEAR LENGTHEN TOWARD THE TWILIGHT AND AS WE PREPARE OURSELVES FOR THE PROBLEMS OF THE NEW YEAR, IT GIVES US REASON TO PAUSE FOR A MOMENT OR TWO TO CONSIDER THE PLEASURES THAT HAVE BEEN OURS. WE SINCERELY BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE MANY GENUINE FRIENDSHIPS AMONG THE PEOPLE OF THIS FINE COMMUNITY: FRIENDSHIPS WE VALUE ABOVE ALL THINGS MATERIAL: ASSO. CIATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN CEMENTED

BY THE LOYAL THOUGHTFULNESS OF THOSE WHOM WE SERVE

WE ARE INDEED GRATEFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT HAVE BEEN PRESENTED TO US, AND WE ARE CON-SCIOUS OF OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO YOU. WE DO NOT HESITATE TO RENEW OUR PLEDGE OF SERVICE AND CO. OPERATION IN WHATEVER CAPACITY WE MAY BE CALLED UPON.

A JOYOUS AMERICAN CHRISTMAS IS EXTENDED TO THE CITIZENS OF THIS

Cicero Smith Lumber Company

AUBREY BROCK, Mgr.

BOVINA, TEXAS.

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Tommies Hold Vigil in the Desert



These are not shepherds but British Tommies assembled around the silent glow of a bonfire in the Libyan desert. The Tommies are holding their own Christmas eve vigil far from home under a bright North African moon. An accordionist accompanies them in the singing of their hymns.

YULE CELEBRATIONS WERE ONCE BANNED IN OLD NEW ENGLAND

in England and New England.

The Puritans were scornful of the cheerful customs prevalent during the holiday season. In 1643 in England, anti-Christmas sentiments were enacted into law by the Roundhead parliament which abolished the observance of the three "grand festivals"-Christmas, Easter, and Whitsuntide, and during the next 12 years Christmas was not celebrated in England.

The restoration of the royalty in England brought about a revival of Christmas traditions along with the renewed observance of the feast.

In America, anti-Christmas sentiments accompanied the Pilgrims when they disembarked from the Mayflower. On December 25, 1659, Governor Bradford rebuked certain young men who, having just arrived on the small ship Fortune, declined to work on "ye day called Christ-

The governor allowed that "if they | The governor allowed the made it a matter of conscience he would spare them until they were better informed." Later, Bradford found these same youths sporting and playing in the streets. He sent them to their lodgings, telling them Christmas was not always merry they should be allowed to keep their devotions-if the same were kept privately-but "there must be no gaming or revelling in the streets."

The Massachusetts general court welcomed the tidings that parliament had outlawed Christmas and enacted a measure providing that 'anybody who is found observing . . any such day as Christmas, shall pay for every such offense a

fine of five shillings." In 1681, the ordinance of '59 was repealed. However, in several New England communities the Puritan prejudice against the observance of Christmas persisted.

Will power is what makes you do what you know you should do when you don't want to do it.

body in the world agrees on and that is the value of friendship.

ith a full sense of gratitude for having been able to serve you; with full realization of the value of tried and proven friendships and the advantage of living among such splendid people, we

send our Greetings to our friends. May the best of everything be yours this Christmas. May the Yuletide occasion make all of us more appreciative of our way of life. May it truly be an American Christmas

The Texas Company

S. E. MORRIS, Consignee

SANTA'S 資源資源 ON HIS WAY...

And, we hope, brings with him an abundance of good things for our loyal friends and customers.

You have been good to us and in return we extend our kindest wishes to you, one



FARWELL, TEXAS.



Bovina Wheat



MERRY CHRISTMAS

HAPPINESS, gaiety and mirth fill the air. Christmas carols, children's happy voices, bells ringing overshow the heavy spot in our hearts. We put our trust in God for a better world tomorrow, and we realize we have much for which to be thankful today.

SECURITY STATE BANK

Che Gospel

ND it came to pass in those days that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be taxed.

2. (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.)

3. And all went to be taxed, everyone into his own city.

4. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city



of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:)

5. To be taxed with Mary,

his espoused wife, being great with child.

- 6. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.
- 7. And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.
- 8. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.
- 9. And, lo, an angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.
- 10. And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.



- 11. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.
- 12. And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.
- 13. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying:
- 14. Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men!
- 15. And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.



which were told them by the shepherds.

16. And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

17. And when they had seen it, they made known

abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. 18. And all they that heard it wondered at those things

19. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

20. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

21. And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb.



THE AMERICAN WAY

WITH THE PLEASANT FEELING THAT COMES WITH THE KNOWLEDGE OF MANY NEW CUSTOMERS AND THE CONTINUED PATRONAGE OF THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN WITH US FOR MANY YEARS, WE WARMLY WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Bagley



'HE minute Tommy woke he remembered that it was the day before Christmas. And that meant -his breath escaped in a quick, white plume across his bed-Santa would soon arrive! The thought shot sudden warmth through his small body as he climbed out of bed and reached for a stocking. After supper he would hang one up . . . and, if it should have a hole in the toe like this one, that wouldn't matter. Santa, of course, understood why he had not had anything new for a

"Tommy!" his mother's voice called. "Dress quickly, dear. It's very cold. That's why I let you

Tommy turned and saw her watching him from the doorway. Her blue eyes looked tired, as if she had been up a long time.

"Mommy, will it be long before Santa comes?"

"I'll tell you about that later," she said. "Let's bring your things into the kitchen by the stove."

"I'm sorry there's no milk, dearest," Mommy said. "Maybe I shall. hear from the agency today and get a job and-"

He didn't want to talk about milk, or Mommy getting a defense job, or even ask why his Dad did not come

home any more. "Mommy, what about Santa Claus?" he asked.
So then she told him. He listened quietly, hot little tears burning his eyelids. She had told him the most dreadful thing he had ever heard in all his life. No wonder she cried,

"But, darling," Mommy said, wiping his eyes with her apron. "I have something nice for you. I was saving it for tomorrow but I'll let you have it now because it will



"Santa asked us to give you all these presents," the nurse said.

make you healthy and strong enough to be a soldier like Daddy.' She gave him a luscious, bright

Yes, he thought, if Santa had only had a mother who knew everything that was good for him, he wouldn't be so sick now that he couldn't go out with his presents tonight. And he would not be in the hospital.

Then a bright thought came to Tommy and he began to run. When he reached his destination he was out of breath. He hurried into the wide corridor, his small feet making silent steps on the heavily piled carpet which led to the reception desk. The white-uniformed nurse didn't see him as he stood there. Tommy found his voice then.

"Look," he said, "I've brought a present for Santa Claus. Will you please give it to him?"

"Oh-er-is Santa Claus here?" the nurse asked.

"Yes," said Tommy, nodding. "My mother told me. He's awfully sick with a cold and can't come out

Then the doctor spoke up.
"Yes, darling. Santa is here and
he's very ill." He leaned over and covered her hand with his. Looking straight at Tommy he said, "Sonny, you bet we'll give him your apple. I'll see that the rascal eats every

bite of it!" "And tell him to eat it slowly and chew up the skin. Then he'll get big and strong like my Dad."

The nurse put her arm around Tommy then. "Just wait here a minute, little boy. Sit here in my chair and we'll be right back and tell you what goes on in Santa's room when he gets your gift."

He was looking at the tree when he saw the nurse and doctor appear from behind it. Their arms were loaded with Christmas packages and they were smiling and hurrying over to him. There was even a huge stocking, running over with toys and

"Santa ate your apple, sonny," the doctor said. "Thanks a lot; he said to tell you it made him feel so strong that he got right out of bed and went over to his closet where he had all these presents.'

"He asked us to give them to you for him," the nurse said, "because he has a lot of business to do tonight at the soldiers' camps. He

said you'd understand." "Oh!" cried Tommy. "Gee!" All

Greeting Cards First Used in Victorian Era

The custom of sending greeting cards is perhaps the youngest member in the family of Christmas traditions, although the ideal was expressed by the Excelsis Deo of the

Until authorities at the British museum recently discovered a drawing depicting four scenes of holiday celebration—early Victorian style—dated 1842, J. C. Horsley was accredited with having created the first commercial Christmas card in 1843.

The 1842 creation was an elaborate affair. Drawn by W. M. Edgley, it includes scenes of a dinner partyfeaturing the plum pudding, a group of carol singers, a crowd watching a Punch and Judy show, a panel of silk-hatted and cane-toting ice skaters, dancers doing a Roger de Coverly-the Victorian Conga-and evidence that the poor must not be forgotten.

It is impossible to say whether or not Mr. Horsley was aware of Edgley's masterpiece, but Horsley had a friend, and thereby hangs the tale. Sir Henry Cole, a man with many friends, was confronted by the task of sending them a cheery holiday greeting. The quill pens in use a century ago sputtered and were irritating, so Sir Henry spoke to Horsley about the matter. Horsley, a member of the Royal Academy in London, was agreeably impressed and turned out an appropriate design inscribed simply, "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to You."

Edgley and Horsley made beginnings. According to research authorities the custom was taken up in America about 30 years later during the 1870s when Louis Prang, a Boston lithographer, printed a catalogue of Christmas cards.

No matter whether the greeting is the elaborate descendant of Edgley's drawing, or a simple good wish offered in friendship as worked out by Sir Henry and Horsley, or the glorious echo of the angels' enunciation, send that Christmas card to the boy in the service-and to his loved ones keeping faith at

Mince Pies for Luck—

That's British Tradition One of England's gay Christmas traditions centers around its delectable mince pies. It seems that each mince pie eaten between Christmas Eve and Twelfth Night will ensure a whole month of good luck in the coming year.

That works out to just about a pie a day for 12 days, to cover the calendar year - a stunt that would seem more likely to cause chronic dyspepsia than good fortune. But these aren't the pies we Americans are accustomed to-the English mince pie is about the size of a doughnut. To eat a dozen in as many days is no trick at all, when two or three of them can be gobbled with a cup of tea.

CARL McCULLEY

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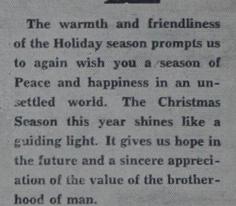
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ROSA D. ROBERTS

M. C. ROBERTS

A large number of our subscriber's time will expire on January 1st, 1944. Notices are being mailed this week. If your time is up we invite you to renew at once before we are compelled by postal regulations to stop your paper

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SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 51/2 years old and bring me a doll with suit case and children in the foreign countries. clothes, house coat and house slippers and fruits sand nuts.

Oh yes Santa, Please bring my Dear Santa Claus:

in Farwell.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl one year old. Will one. you please bring me a doll and a rocking chair. Don't forget my daddy who is somewhere in North- Dear Santa: and candy. Love.

At this radiant season of Good Cheer when we strive to forget those things which we want to forget, and when good fellow-

ship and kind thoughts are in

the minds of all, we sincerely wish you and your dear ones an old-fashion Yuletide, and

a New Year abounding with success, good luck, and much

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 9 years old, my name is Wanda Joy Pruitt. I want a doll and a doctor set. If you have it, and I want some nuts and candy and some fruit. Do not forget my W. H. GRAHAM, Editor and Owner brother that is in the Marines and all the rest of the boys and girls.

> Yours truly, Wanda Joy Pruitt.

I am a boy 9 years old. I would like for you to bring me a set of Keeps the chickens and hogs heal-Lincoln Logs, and also a tommy gun, don't forget to give some candy and

Mark Charles.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a litle girl 8 years old and in tharpe, Texico. the 2nd grade. My teacher is Mrs. WOULD LIKE to work on farm, on Fowler, I like her very much. I have tried to be a good girl. I want you to bring me a doll with hair, some candy, nuts and oranges. I have a brother 6 years old, he is in the 1st Edward. My little sisters name is Jarrell farm north of Texico 6-2tp Writes Wife From Doris and she is almost 3 years old, she wants a train and some more FOR SALE-Two 3-year-old registoys to play with and some candy, nuts, apples and oranges.

boys and girls and take them what Friona. they want. yours truly.

Mary Joyce Rolland.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll with a coat. Bring James a little wagon.

little cousin Dennis Dean Edwards I am a little girl 10 years old and little things this Christmas.

We will be at our grandmothers I would like to have a little baby doll, a weaving loom, a baton, and WANTED-Table model cream sep-Glenna Ruth Davis. else, as I know there are many more ers Supply Co. folks who are expecting you also, and I wouldn't want you to miss any- uke or banjo, some goodies to eat Lovingly,

ern Ireland, also remember the other I am a little boy 7 years old and boys and girls in the service. You have tried to be a good little boy. may send them my share of nuts Please don't forget me this year, because I want so very much for you Judith Ann Billingsley. to bring me a little lumber truck, a

Good Wishes



thy. Give the liquid and powder and get eggs-more eggs. Your dealer has Con-D-Mental. 3-12tp

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grade, he wants a gun or anything FOR SALE-1929 Ford Sedan, motor you might have for him. Also some in good condition 2 new tires, three intenstineal flu at present. candy, nuts and oranges, his name is like new. Alton Day, at the W. H.

tered Milking Shorthorn bulls. Also Aberdeen Angus bull, 2 years old. Please remember all other little Roy Slagle, 7 miles west, 1 north of

miles north Wilsey Switch.

tivation, 25 acres in wheat. See me can't go on forever Karolene and James Towns. at Bovina school. G. H. Dickson.

FOR SALE—Registered Jersey bull a little gun, teddy bear and house hoping you can bring me just a few Payne, 1/2 mile north and 2 east Okcalf; papers furnished, \$50. H. B. lahoma Lane school.

some fruit, candy and nuts, nothing arator. Willie Goldsmith at Farm

and of course anything else you may Neva Ladell Sparks. have to spare, just so you have plenty left for my brothers, sister, mother, daddy and everybody else. Bye,

Billie Frank Sparks.

Mrs. Abie Crume, linotype operator at The Tribune office, departed Saturday by bus for Fort Lewis, Wash., where she plans to spend the Yuletide season visiting her husband, who is stationed there.

> Merry Christmas to All

B. N. Graham

PLEASANT HILL

Mrs. Jane Bell, came in last Wednesday from a visit with her husbands people. Mr. Bell having left the states.

School has closed until Jan. 3 here, because the busses can't run.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Ellison, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Eule Hart Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Singleterry and daughter plan on spending the holidays in Hereford.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Barnes and Mrs. Jane Barnes and baby girl visited in the J. A. Parker home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Kays, are ex-WANTED-Plain sewing and re- pecting their daughter and her son modeling work. Mrs. J. B. Col- and daughter from Amarillo for the 4-3tp holidays.

There's quite a number of cases of flu around the community.

There were about 16 present at the Christmas club, last Thursday, at Mrs. Thornton. Next club will meet with Mrs. Tom Burnett the 20th.

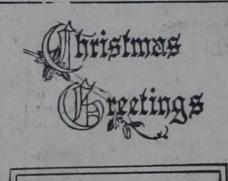
Elmer Langford is suffering from

Jap Prison Camp

Capt. John Foster Beall, who has been a prisoner of the Japanese 4-27 since the fall of Bataan, has written FOR SALE-10,000 bundles hegari his wife, who now lives in El Paso, without grain. R. L. Douglas 21/2 that he is receiving treatment in a 5-2tp Jap prison camp in the Philippine

FOR SALE-Improved 160 acre | Capt Beall probably wrote all that farm, located 6 miles west Bovina; he was allowed, stating that he was We have been pretty good this three-room house, barns, outhouses, well and that his health was good, have been pretty good, so please year. Please remember the little well and windmill, 100 acres in cul- adding "don't get discouraged: this

> Capt. Beall was with the 200th, made up mostly of New Mexico toys, when the Japs overran the Islands. He is married to the former Emily Minter, dans, hter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Minter of this city.

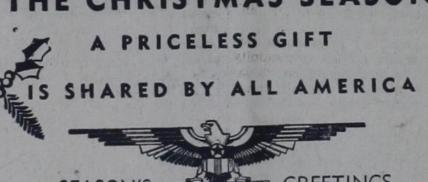




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County Clerk D. K. Roberts and Mrs. Dorothy Lovelace expects to wife have gone to Phoenix, Ariz., leave Friday for Friona, for a Christwhere they will spend the holidays mas vacation with her family. with relatives.

A screw driver is called a screw puller in Germany.

To keep crabgrass out of a lawn provide a heavy turf three of four

inches high.

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This year, more than ever before, we are truly appreciative of the fact that we are Americans. It gives

us a better understanding of the Christmas season and its significance. It gives us a better understanding of our friends, their problems and their happiness.

We are glad we are a part of this glorious country and have a share in its great privileges. We are grateful that it is our lot to be Americans!



Farwell, Texas.

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Cpl. Gast Weds Big Spring Girl, Saturday

uniting in marriage Cpl. Lawrence Wednesday evening. beth McCrary of Big Spring.

bride's home on Sunday, attended by decorated tree. family members.

tor at the Big Spring air base. Cpl. Overstreet, Wesley Ingram, J. T. Refreshments of plum pudding the holidays and will divide his time breg. Gast, known locally at "Shorty", is Carter, Bess Henneman, Ruby Dix- and coffee were served buffet style, between his wife here, the former the son of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Gast on, Aubrey Sprawls, Franes King, with Mrs. Overstreet presiding at Miss Evelyn Kyker, and his mother, Presents Recital tioned at Camp Fannin, near Tyler, Lucile Hadley, and the hostess. Texas. Mrs. Gast expects to get a transfer and join her husband at Mrs. Bradshaw, Miss Camp Fannin shortly after the first of the year.

Good Crowd Hears Mrs. Vohss Give Book Review

A good crowd gathered at the Far-"Beneath Another Sun."

a covered dish luncheon was served colored Christmas tree lights. and was open to the public.

ner, reviewed the new book in de- Arnold, J. D. Thomas, Joe Crume, Auxuliary Lesson tail, and held the attention of her Noble Goldsmith, Ollie Williams, hearers to a remarkable degree.

in the home of their daughter, Mrs. Edwards and the hostesses. Raymond Ross, in Morton on Monday of this week. Mr. and Mrs. Ross plan to spend Christmas here in the is just back in the States from the taken at the meeting. Graham home.

children of Portland, Oregon arrived was accompanied by his wife and ed on the Christmas tree. Sunday to spend the helidays with sister, Mrs. Irene Corey, both of Amtheir parents.

Yuletide Social Is Held On Wednesday

A quiet home wedding was sol- The Christmas social of the Wes-

of the entertainment and opened the led in prayer. Only immediate family members social by reading the Christmas were present at the ceremony, wh- story. The group then spent 30 min- Christmas" was the title of a readich was performed by Rev. J. E. utes in writing letters to service ing given by Mrs. Smith. Informal HARGING COMING HOME Moore, Presbyterian minister of Big men. Games were offered in the sea- singing of Christmas, carols then sonal spirit after which an exchange concluded the program. Cpl. and Mrs. Gast were honored of gifts was observed, with the Gifts were piled high at the base that their son, Ensign Warren G. with a pre-Christmas dinner in the packages being distributed from the of the decorated Christmas tree, and Harding, will arrive home on the

Mrs. Gast is a daughter of J. I ped cream and accompanied by hot age. The entertaining rooms were McCrary of Big Spring, and at pres- chocolate was served to Mesdames decorated with sprays of evergreen CAPT. BRADSHAW HERE ent is employed as telephone opera- W. B. LeVeque, Paul Tripp, H. Y. and large pine cones. of this city. He is a graduate of the F. M. Mills, Lenton Pool, Morgan the lace covered table. Lighted red who lives at Slaton. Farwell high school, and is now sta- Billington, Misses Hazel Anglin and tapers served as decoration on the

Thomas Hostesses

Lee Bradshaw were hostesses the and is now living in Clovis. past Wednesday night, when they Attendants included Mrs. Massey, radios at his base. entertained with a Yuletide party Mrs. Paul Tripp, Mrs. W. H. Grafor members of the young adult ham and Mrs. Effie Johnson, guests, PASSES THROUGH

well school auditorium last Thursday program, and gave several appro- Engram, O. B. Pipkin, G. W. Atch- here one day last week on a troop holidays, and will visit in the home evening to hear Mrs. Albert Vohs of priate readings, following which the ley, B. N. Graham, Ruby Dixon, W. train for a new location in Arizona. Of Mrs. A. H. Overstreet, and her son expect to spend Christmas Day Clovis, give her review on the book, group sang Christmas carols. The W. Bigham, Roy B. Ezell, G. W. his parents enjoyed a brief visit with parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Minter with relatives in Amarillo. house was beautifully decorated Lambert, Minnie Leftwich, Lena him while the train was stopped in up near Friend. The occasion was the regular meet- with colorful poinsettas, and the Yoder, B. E. Nobles and Ralph Hum- Clovis. ing of the local Men's Club, at which only lights were tall tapers and the ble, members.

Individual plum puddings were Foreign Service Is Mrs. Vohs, in her usual able man- served with coffee to Mesdames H.

southwest Pacific theatre, visited Allen Lockhart read an appro-

BETWEEN US

PERSONALLY!

here we so many things we would like

to say to each of you personally. Personal

wishes created by our mutual friendship.

These are in our heart and you will know.

May this Christmas bring you an abun-

dance of health, happiness, peace and

this simple greeting covers them all.

Dr. and Mrs. V. Scott Johnson

GREETINGS

prosperity.

Bible Class Enjoys Social, Friday

The Wesley Bible Class of the Methodist Church enjoyed its annual Christmas social, Friday afternoon, when members and guests met in the home of Mrs. A. D. Smith, Mrs. Anne Overstreet was associate hos-

Mrs. Roy B. Ezell was in charge emized at the home of the bride's leyan Guild of the Methodist Ch- of the devotional, opening the short father, Mr. J. I. McCrary, in Big Sp- urch was held in the home of Mrs. program with the Christmas story, ring, the past Saturday afternoon D. K. Roberts, president, the past read from the second chapter of Luke, after which the group sang H. Gast of this city, and Miss Eliza- Miss Hazel Anglin was in charge "Silent Night" and Mrs. Overstreet

"The Meaning of the Symbols of

each member obligated to perform 24th for an eight-day furlough. He Ramm, Mrs. J. Kaltwasser, Mrs. B. CARD OF THANKS Plum pudding topped with whip- a "stunt" before being given a pack- is stationed in Chicago.

serving table.

Guests of the afternoon were in-Miss Berthamae Thomas and Mrs. away from Farwell for 13 years, Lindop is stationed in England, ial hour was enjoyed in the candle lit

class of the local Church of Christ. Mesdames J. H. Barger, S. C. Hun-Miss Thomas was in charge of the ter, J. H. Nabors, E. G. Blair Will and Mrs. Jack White, passed through in El Paso, is expected here for the

Bill Moore, Carl G. Davis, Herbert aries, schools and hospitals in for- his time with his parents at Amherst McDaniel, Leon Cantrell, L. C. Cox, eign nations was given to the Girls Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Graham visited Roy Bobst, Mose Glasscock, Hugh Auxiliary of the Baptist church, GETS HIS WINGS Thursday, when the group met in the home of Mrs. John Lockhart. Marine Sgt. Edmond Middick, who The "Lottie Moon" offering was

here over the past weekend with his priate poem commemorating the of-Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Danner and sister, Mrs. Bessie Lee Henneman. He fering, and a lighted taper was plac-

The group will hold its Christmas sister of Mrs. The mas. social on Thursday, December 23 at 4 o'clock, Central time, and gifts will be exchanged.

week were Minnie Smotherman, Margery Baker, Harriet Baker and Mrs. Lockhart.

"The Lost Carol" to Be Given, Dec. 24th

A Christmas cantata, "The Lost TULON WHITE HOME Carol", will be presented by piano Tulon G. White, a member of the and choral students of Mrs. E. T. Sea Bees, is home on a thirty-day Caldwell on Christmas Eve, at 8:30, leave after spending a year on Guadin the auditorium of the Oklahoma alcanal. He said that his entire unit

with the principal action taking part on the island. in the home of Fran: Gruber, the White couldn't give out much inman responsible for the loved carol formation for publication as to his play will be Bessie Ruth Caldwell, was pretty tough". He told of exper-Mary Hughes, Billy Bentley and lencing his first earthquake and th-Leonard Hannah.

nection with the annual community swung by a leather strap to a tent Christmas tree program at Okla- pole, began to sway to and fro. He homa Lane, and the public is in not said that the boys were getting

To Be Given at Bovina

The cantata, with different char- cal. acters, will likewise be presented in Bovina, on Wednesday night, Dec. SAYS HE CAN TAKE IT ember 22, at 8:30, Mrs. Caldwell an-

Bobby Howard and Billy Hart.

of Mrs. Caldwell, who urged a good guess where he is stationed. attendance at both presentations.

Mrs. Smith Presents Pupls In Recital

out twenty in number, in a recital at Christmas Social the Methodist church on Monday

evening.

The Lutheran ladies of Lariat met

Wednesday afternoon in the home

contributed to the program, and the social. junior choir of the Methodist church A number of games were played rendered Christmas carols.

tapers about the altar. The program drew a good audience.

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NEWS FROM OUR BOYS IN CAMPS



Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Harding are in receipt of a telegram announcing

GOOD CONDUCT AWARD

troduced and Mrs. Minnie Massey, parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Lin- noon from 3 to 5. Parents of the first president of the class, was an dop that he has recently been award- pupils were in attendance. especial guest. Mrs. Massey has been ed the medal of good conduct. Sgt. At the close of the program a socwhere his duties are inspecting room. The hostess serve I Christmas

HERE FROM PANAMA

from Panama, visiting his wife, the husband, who arrived here on a brief former Miss Ilene Randol, He has a furlough from his camp in California Funeral Home, 921 Pile, Clovis An interesting lesson on mission- 30 day leave and will spend some of

Lt. Walter Moeller and wife were brief visitors in the J. D. Thomas home the past Sunday. They were enroute to his new assignment in California. He recently received his wings at Chandler Field, Ariz. He is a Muleshoe boy and is married to the former M.ss Beaulah Kistlan,

SHIPPING OUT

Lt. Allan Regers, son of Mr. and Those attending the meeting last B. A. Rogers, has notified his parents here that he was "shipping out" from his base on the west coast. He is a naval flying cadet and received his training at Corpus Christi. His wife will remain in California for the time being.

Sea Bees, is home on a thirty-day landed on the west coast one day The cantata is set in the year 1815. last week after a year and five days

'Silent Night". Characters in the experiences except to say that "it ought that somebody was trying to The program will be given in con- upset his tent, when his rifle, while plenty to eat now, but that at riest the food situation was pretty criti-

Raymond Hall, Phm. 2-C, who has recently been transferred from the Characters at this time will be Navy to the Marines, writes his par-Ray Hart, Willy Ellen Williams, ents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hall of this city, that "I am still kicking. I The play, with the carols and have had a pretty rough time and tableaux scenes, will be enjoyed by will probably have more of it, but I everyone who sees it, in the opinion can take it," leaving his parents to

His letter bears all the evidence of having been written from a foxhole, and the postage stamp was attached with small gobs of chewing gum.

Mrs. A. Douglas Smith of this city, Lutheran Ladies Have

A number of musical numbers of Mrs. E. Keilbreg for a Christmas

during the afternoon, and the small The church was beautifully decor- children that were present sang ated with evergreen boughs and red Christmas songs and recited poems. Gifts were exchanged and in the late afternoon refreshments were

served to: Mrs. E. Kube, Mrs. M. Kriegel, Mrs. A. Kriegel, Mrs. E.

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Piano pupils of Mrs. Florence M. Vinyard gave a recital in the home M-Sgt. D. K. Lindop, writes his of Mrs. Vinyard on Sunday after-

candies.

A-C James M. White, son of Mr. Emily Minter, who is teaching school end the holidays with her parents.

Mrs. Hayden Cason, nee Mary Lou Crume, came up from Roswell' the CSSMA L. A. Cantrell is here latter part of the week to meet her on Sunday.

We wish to take this method to Mrs. G. Dannheim, and Miss Velma thank our friends and neighbors for Capt. Lee Bradshaw is home for Kube and the hostess Mrs. E. Keil- their kind words and beautiful floral offerings in the sudden death of our dear husband, father and grandfather. May God's blessings rest upon

> Mrs. A. C. Whittenburg H. L. Whittenburg and family

George Whittenburg and family Mr. and Mrs. Roy Whittenberg Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Splawn and children

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Yeary and

Miss Hazel Anglin will leave Fri-Mrs. John Beall, the former M:ss day for Tahoka, where she will sp-

Mrs. Bessie Lee Henneman and

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Many last minute Xmas gift suggestions are still to be found in our Dry Goods and Notions Dept. We invite your inspection.

C.G. Davis Merc. Co

"THE BEST PLACE TO TRADE"

SEASON

YULETIDE

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We can think of no better way to express our appreclation for the many favors you have afforded us in the past. Since we cannot see each of you personally, this message is sent with a sincere feeling of friendliness to all. We wish you the Season's best.

Twin City Barber

FRED HENRY, Prop.

PRESERVE CONTRACTOR CO

These Evergreens Offer You Lasting Beauty and Variety



of evergreen this year for all kinds of home decoration, and even on Christmas packages and for party favors. You'll of this type is the Norway spruce find that you can have more fun, as well as greater success in using them, if you can identify the various types of evergreen and use each type to the best ad-

apart, although you may be a little confused at first by the obvious similarities. But the differences are just as great, and the accompanying picture will help you to distinguish at a glance some of the outstanding

To the beginner all evergreens are "some kind of pine," so let's start with the pines. You can easily remember that all evergreens that have needles belong to the pine family. But don't call them all pine! The pine trees themselves bear their needles in bunches of two, three or five, and the needles are long, straight and sharplooking. The white pine (E) has bunches of five needles that look like stiff brushes.

At first glance the white fir (G) may look to you like a pine. But if that the fir needles are borne singly. fir, the balsam fir.

singly instead of in bunches, like the ed Jack Frost.

VERYONE will be using lots | pine. An example of this type is the Colorado blue spruce (C), so called because it has a bluish appearance, especially when the trees are young. Another lovely example

It will probably help you to distinguish between the fir and the spruce if you remember that fir cones stand erect on the tree, while spruce cones hang down. Also, when fir needles fall they leave a It really isn't difficult to tell them smooth stem. Spruce needles leave

Most evergreens are conifers. That is, they bear their seeds in cones. An exception is the yew. If you have an evergreen hedge, the chances are good that it's yew, one of the most beautiful, as well as one of the most popular, evergreens for that purpose. Glossy green, with blunt needles, the oriental yew (D) has red berries instead of cones. Sprays of yew are highly decorative and last a long time.

An exception to the rule that ever-greens retain their needles or leaves, sometimes for years, is the larch (F), which sheds its leaves. And that brings us to the trouble-

some fact that some evergreens have leaves instead of needles. The larch, already mentioned, is one exyou look more closely you will see ample. Another is the cedar and the so-called cedars, such as the white They are flat, and when they fall "cedar" (B) which is really arborthey leave a smooth, bare stem. The vitae. They have tiny leaves armost popular Christmas tree is a ranged in lazy patterns. Covered with snow, the cedars look like The spruce also bears its needles | delicate etching done by an enchant-

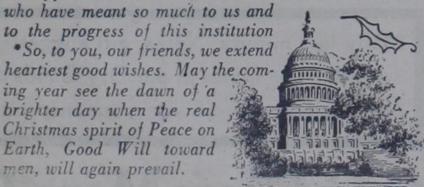
The deadly spotted fevers-tygerous in war boom communities where an increasing number of war

The burden of supplying the phus, Rocky Mountain spoted fever, world with food must fall upon four and others-are particularly dan- great plains areas -the middle United States, the Steppes of Russia workers may be compelled to live and Siberia, the pampas of Argenin wooded areas, exposed to tick tina, and the central plains of Ausbites and the danger of infection, tralia. To feed the people of all na-Dr. Ludwik Anigstein, of the Uni- tions, production of food must be versity of Texas Medical School, increased and distribution problems

Our AMERICAN Heritage at Christmas time!

As another Christmas dawns, we in this organization are laying aside all other thoughts and are reflecting upon the many reasons we have for which to be thankful . Foremost, of course, is our American heritage. Yes, we ARE truly thankful that we are AMERICANS. We appreciate too, our friends and loyal customers who have meant so much to us and

·So, to you, our friends, we extend heartiest good wishes. May the coming year see the dawn of a brighter day when the real Christmas spirit of Peace on Earth, Good Will toward men, will again prevail.



Minneapolis-Moline

EDD EASON

JIM MOSS

HALPH HUMBLE

ORP. BILL TRAVERS had tried not to remember that it was the day before Christmas. He'd played a game with himself, pretending not to notice the heightened spirit around camp. But he couldn't keep kidding himself when he saw the giant spruce being set up in front of the barracks. Today was December twenty - fourth, tomorrow would be Christmas and Norma hadn't written.

They'd first come to grips on their honeymoon. They had planned to take a short motor trip up north but, when they'd reached the point where they were supposed to turn back, Norma had insisted they go to Canada for a few days. Bill had tried to put his foot down, but Norma had argued and cried. When Bill saw her pouting, young face, so pale and set, his determination crumbled like a house of sand. They went to Canada; Bill returned to work five days late and had to look for a new

Despite that, he continued to give in, no matter how far off the beam she was. At first he backed down



Those had been the perfect mo-

because he loved her and wanted her to be happy. Later it was because she never would and their wonderful marriage would end.

Seeing the boys on a ladder, hanging bright red and silver balls on the evergreen boughs, made him remember how much fun his three Christmas eves with Norma had been. The way she always laughed when he insisted on putting up the high ornaments with their rusty ice pick. She'd hold her breath while he teetered on a chair, reaching up to the tip of the tree to put on the silver star. Then he'd hop down.

"See, I made it," he'd say, handing her the old pick. "Now put this carefully away so I can use it next year." And they'd look at each other very seriously, kiss very gently and say very quietly, "Merry Christmas, darling." Yes, those had been the perfect moments.

One of the boys, a friendly chap from the Midwest, passed by and called, "Hi, Bill! All ready for Christmas?"

"Yeah," Bill said drily, "all

All ready and no place to go! But that wasn't quite true. He did have some place to go, a lovely place. His own little home, only a fivehour bus trip from camp. But he couldn't go because of a foolish quarrel they'd had during his last fur-lough. And because Bill, for once, had refused to give in.

"Well, I'm going now," he said. Then after a moment of tortured silence: "Good-by, Norma. I'll have a few days leave for Christmas. Let me know if you-if you-"

She cut in, her voice sounding high and queer. "Good-by, Bill." The Midwestern boy came along

"Come on, the mail's in. Maybe we've got something." He took Bill's arm, pulled him along.

At the camp post office men were waiting eagerly for their names to be called. Bill was only half listening. He vaguely heard several "Thompsons" and suddenly he jerked his head in surprise, for "Bill Travers" had been called, and a slim package was traveling from hand to hand until it reached him. The neat, printed letters told him it was a gift from Norma.

Bill ran all the way back to his barracks and there, oblivious of the other fellows around him, began to open his present. Under the brown paper, there was white tissue and red ribbon, but no card. Then he burst into laughter. Then tossed the wrappings high up into the air and whooped, "Yippeeee! She wants me

"What's up?" One of his companions came over grinning.
Bill grabbed his cap. "I've got to

get a bus ticket in a hurry. My wife sent me a beautiful gift, and I'm going home for Christmas!"

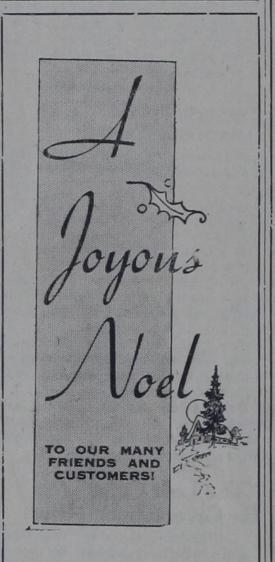
After his hasty exit his bunkmate peered cautiously into the cardboard case and called to the other fellows. "Come over here and take a look. Travers must be nuts, getting so excited over a present like this. Why, it's nothing but a rusty old ice

Christmas Doll



Despite priorities and shortages, little sister still will have her Christmas doll. Although wartime shortages exist in the items listed above, manufacturers displaying their wares in Chicago's Merchandise Mart state that they will have sufficient replacements through the use of less critical materials.

Independent Rock is the outstanding landmark of the Oregon, Mormon and California trails.



Vanity Fair

HAZEL ANGLIN

You will look a long time before you will find a more suitable Christmas present than a subscription to The State Line Tribune . . . only \$1.50 for a full year—52 issues.

JOYOUS



CHRISTMAS

Let Every Heart Be Glad!

ARRY on the tradition that is American. Be thankful for the many blessings that God has bestowed upon us and hope for Victory in 1944!

> **Best Wishes** for a Joyous Christmas!

Henderson Grain and Seed Company

FARWELL, TEXAS.





FOR A GAY CHRISTMAS

We are hoping that your Christmas will be gay and delightful as were the childhood Merry Christmases spent at grandmother's farm. Today, as then, may the gladness of Christmas force all other thoughts from your mind, and may the coming years of peace bring you happiness that is complete.

> Southwestern PUBLIC SERVICE Company

Winter Solstice Period of Many Ancient Rituals

Christmas is celebrated in honor of the Saviour's nativity, and while there are no records to prove that December 25th is the precise date, historians, astronomers, and research authorities have substantiated the fact that the event must have occurred during the time of the Winter Solstice.

The Winter Solstice, when the sun swings toward the earth once more, has been celebrated as a festival of some sort by the various peoples of the earth cording of history.

Symbolic Palm Tree.

during this period and was symbolic slaves and free men. of the year's fruitful harvests and The earliest Christians solemnized accomplishments.

and distributed by the Arch-Druid, traditionally bestowed blessings of nature and divine favor upon the receiver.

In the Scandinavian countries, fires were kindled in defiance of the Frost King, and families, gathered about the warmth, spent the long evenings telling weird tales involving Valkyrie and Werewolves-as well as anticipating to what distant ports their ships would sail when no longer ice-bound. The time was also sacred to Thor, and the Yule logs, great chunks of the Thunder Oak, blazed upon the hearths amid feasting and fellowship.

Honoring Saturnus.

Two Roman holidays-Brumalia and Juvenlia-were combined into one great festival in honor of Saturnus-Saturnalia. It was a period of general celebration lasting from since, and even prior to, the re- what would correspond to our December the 18th on through the Calends of January. Processions and gift-giving were in order, the courts In ancient Egypt, the palm tree, were adjourned and no criminals known to put forth one shoot each were convicted, while convention was month, completed its cycle of twelve abandoned, equality reigning among

the Mass of Christ, whence the word The mystic rites of the Druids "Christmas," during Saturnalia.

centered around the cutting of the many of the faithful suffering perse-Mistletoe whose branches, when cut cution and martyrdom as a result. After Constantine recognized Christianity in the Fourth century, the celebration of Christmas became an established custom.

Indeed, Christmas is celebrated in honor of the Babe born in Bethlehem. And the Lord, in His Wisdom, understands that the traditions preserved from ancient customs and peoples are in keeping with the angelic enunciation of His Birth:

"Fear not; for behold I bring you good tydings of great joy, which 'all be to all people."

Christmas in New Mexico

Marked by Indian Drama Christmas in New Mexico is a subtle mixture of the past and present, with Indian ceremonials and Spanish-American folk customs existing alongside typically Christian celebrations. Most popular of Christmas ceremonials among New Mexico's Pueblo Indians is "Los Matachines," a dance drama which has its roots in the ancient Aztec civilization of Mexico. In many pueblos, especially those in the Rio Grande and Jemez valleys, ceremonial dances are performed after midnight mass, on Christmas eve, on Christmas day, and for the ensuing three days. The fortnight before and after Christmas renews the annual New Mexico presentations of age-

old miracle plays.



"PEACE ON EARTH"

In these troubled times of world unrest and strife, Christmas brings home to us the realization that "Peace on earth, goodwill toward men" is more than just an empty phrase.

It is the foundation of all the teachings of Him whose birthday we celebrate. May that spirit go with you throughout the days of the coming year.

C. R. Anthony Company

CLOVIS, N. M.

THE GLOWING CANDLES . OF CHRISTMAS....

Typify the Peace and Contentment of Christmas



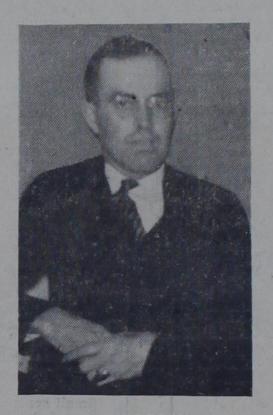
We sincerely hope that you will receive a large share of contentment and happiness from the Yuletide activities. May you enjoy the associations of those dear to you, and may these associations result in the most glorious Christmas that has ever come your way.



OLLIE'S GARAGE & SALVAGE







BOB BARTON Local Manager

Merry Christmas

NE OF THE GREATEST PLEASURES OF THE CHRISTMAS SEASON IS THE OPPOR-TUNITY TO ACKNOWLEDGE OUR FRIENDS AND IT IS WITH THIS IN MIND THAT WE SEND YOU SEASON'S GREETINGS.

The business you have entrusted to us is indeed appreciated, and we hope that with the turn of the year, the pleasant relations existing between us will be increased and strengthened.

> And so we, your local manager, and the entire personnel of the Southern Union Gas Company, sincerely wish you a most joyous Christmas and a New Year of Happiness and Prosperity.



Southern Union Gas Company



'I Remember Them When . . . '



"There's Jack and Bill, Tom and Mike, Bob, Joe and all the rest. I remember them when they weren't old enough to tie their own shoes. And now look at them! They're even better men than I thought they'd be. Old Santa will never forget them-nor will the rest of the world. The present Who misses, or who wins the prize. they are giving us is far better than anything I could ever do for them."

Christmas Cactus Will Bring Back Memories to Old Folk

open, will delight the older woman | man friend of yours for Christmas?" who lives more or less with memories of winters long passed. This is old tightwad doesn't come across an old-fashioned favorite that to- with something better than he did The shepherds heard it overheadday's plant lovers find useful and last year I'm going to give him the desirable.

That Was That

"Daughter," said mother, "what A Christmas cactus, buds ready to are you planning to give that young "Huh!" snapped daughter, "if the The sacred chorus first was sung gate-with a big G.



IT IS TIME TO BE MERRY

Of all the grand occasions and celebrations throughout the year, none has the full significance and genuine feeling of thoughtfulness as the occasion of Christmas. It is a time of merriment for all—an opportunity to express the true feeling we have for friends and loved ones. An experience to be treasured during the other 364 days of the year.

It is good to be alive on Christmas! It is good to observe an American Christmas. It is good to receive the thoughtfulness and good wishes of those who mean so much to us! It is a good time to have a good time! Let's all be merry!



Harrison Hardware Co.

TEXICO, N. M.

The play is done; the curtain drops, Slow falling, to the prompter's

A moment yet the actor stops And looks around to say farewell. It is an irksome word and task, And when he's laughed and said

his say, He shows as he removes the mask, A face that's anything but gay.

One word, ere yet the evening ends, Let's close it with a parting

And pledge a hand to all young friends,

As fits the merry Christmas time. On Life's wide scene you, too, have

That Fate ere long shall bid you Goodnight! with honest, gentle A kindly greeting go alway.

Come wealth or want, come good comes from a male Asiatic deer.

part, And bow before the Awful Will,

And bear it with an honest heart, Go, lose or conquer, if you can; But if you fail or if you rise,

Be each, pray God, a gentleman.

A gentleman or old or young! (Bear kindly with my humble lays),

Upon the first of Christmas days. The joyful angels raised it then: Glory to heaven on high, it said, And peace on earth to gentle men.

My song, same this, it little worth; I lay the weary pen aside, And wish you health and love and mirth.

As fits the holy Christmas-tide As fits the holy Christmas birth, Be this, good friends, our carol

still-Be peace on earth, be peace on

To men of gentle will.

Evergreens Freshen

Evergreens of the Northwest are among the most beautiful Christmas decorations. The common Douglas fir with its distinctive pendent cones fills a room with grace and fra-

Small spruces near the coast and some of the true firs of mountain forests also bring their fresh breath into the Christmas setting.

The spruces have stiff, prickly needles and are symmetrical. The true firs have regularly spaced. prim-looking branches and can be nicely decorated. For mantel vases, for wreaths and for door sprays pine with holly or cones and a bright bunch of berries or a gay red ribbon are a choice holiday motif.

Bayberry Wax

Many people used to utilize the bayberry for indoor decorations at Christmas time. In Maine and Massachusetts the wax which invests the berries was once collected to make into candles. It was obtained by boiling the berries in water, when the wax rose to the surface.

Under the name of bayberry tallow it was also used in soap making; in stiffening the ends of circular or solar lamp wicks. A relative, sweet-gale, grows on the border of ponds, and sweet-fern, also a sister of the pastures, was used for medi-

Yule Tree Market

Spruce, hemlock and balsam are the principal types used in the eastern Christmas tree market.

Need Little to Keep Faith With Children at Yule

Tonight, perhaps some soldier is less lonely because he remembers the sled or drum or train he found beneath his Christmas tree one

morning long ago.

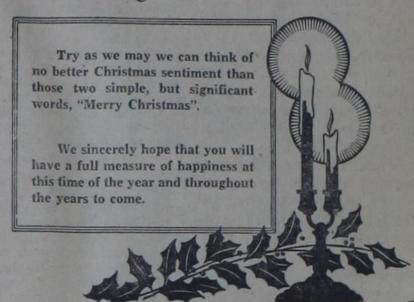
It takes so little to keep faith with the children. Madame Schumann - Heinck remembered one Christmas all her life. She was perhaps seven or eight when times were very hard and it did not seem as if very much was going to be left for her. But on Christmas morning, the little girl found she had been remembered. Her treasure? It was an orange, round and yellow, and her very own. Just one orange saved that Christmas day for all eternity. Years later, a famous lady realized the love and sacrifice and ideals that orange represented.

'Pin Money'

Until quite recently, pins were made of wire and were very expensive-and highly prized. So, it became customary for men in ordinary circumstances to give their wives and daughters "pin money" on New Year's day.

Used in making perfumes, musk

Merry Christmas



Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Thomas

FARWELL, TEXAS.

Let young and old accept their will be the the their will be the the their will be the the their will be the the their will be the their will be the the the their will be the the the their will be the the their will be the the the the t

To You, One and All!!

Typessing our appreciation of your courtesies of the past year and extending the compliments of the season, we wish you a Season of hap-

piness, goodwill and contentment. Whatever the New Year holds for all of us, may it see the realization of your every ambition.

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through centuries and centuries and which comes to us in this modern day as fervent and sincere as ever. Each year heralds many changes in world affairs; each twelve months has its share of reverses and adversities; but

through it all shines the bright star that leads toward PEACE and FREEDOM for all. Would that all of us could carry the spirit of Christmas throughout the three hundred and sixty-five days of the year.

What an enviable year it would provide. As for us. we promise to keep these thoughts in mind next year. We want it to be the happiest ever for each of you, and we want to have a part in this happiness of yours.

Merry Christmas now, next year, and many years to come. May the significance of the Yuletide continue to thrive through the centuries!

S. E. Cone Grain & Seed Co

R. S. (BOB) JOHNSTON, Mgr.

Bovina, Texas.





AND A NOTE TO SANTA--

We know you are busy-so's everybody else. We just want to remind you that here in this community are the finest folks in the world, and we are hoping that you will remember them well in your Christmas Eve travels. Our friends here are deserving of all good things. Please don't forget them!



Fox Drug Company

Phone 303

Clovis, N. M.

Make the Most of Your Cards— Here Are Some Possibilities



Then you should be pleased to hear

put-from adding a decorator's touch to an old wastepaper basket

to making place cards for a kiddie

party. Here are some suggestions for enlisting your holiday greetings

Why not have your club pool their

receipt of Christmas cards? Delight-

ful scrapbooks could be made for

the children of servicemen in your

neighborhood. Or send the cards to

the children's wards in hospitals.

The young patients enjoy handling the colorful cards, and making their

Army and navy hospitals look for-

ward to receiving tray favors made

from used Christmas cards. And

the servicemen appreciate the

If your club is planning to partici-

pate in a war-relief bazaar, inex-

pensive and distinctive novelties can

be made from Christmas cards.

quite impressive by the simple addi-

thought behind the token.

AMERICAN SPIRIT

Say what you will—there is something

Old Santa Claus plays on the heartstrings

So, in the old time American spirit of the

about the spirit of Christmas that gets under a

until the purse strings are so completely untied that even the fattest pocketbook has some dif-

ficulty regaining its health again. We have been

through it many times. So have you. If you feel the same way we do about it, you wouldn't miss

Holidays, we wish you the best of Health, Hap-

piness and Prosperity for the Holidays and for

fellow's skin, whether he likes it or not.

all the fun under any circumstances.

many days to come.

in a good cause.

of Christmas decor possibilities. Especially during the holidays, "home is where the hearth is." So here are some suggestions for "dressing up" your fireplace in an eye-catching mantle of Christmas cards. In less time than it takes to read this, you can line up your

Christmas cards, in not too precise rows, or hang them in festoons from the mantel, as illustrated above. This simple trick could just as successfully be applied to the top of

your bookcase, or to a tiered table. But if you're looking for the ingenious, here are some other ideas. | the obvious beauty of the cards? Is it a touch of patriotism that you want to add to your Christmas scene? With the assistance of some scotch tape you can easily arrange your Christmas cards in a "V" formation over your fireplace. Or perhaps you feel in the old-fashioned and traditional mood. Then attach wide red or green ribbons (or both) festoon fashion around the mantel and secure the cards to the ribbon with paper clips. Or frame your fireplace by pasting Christmas cards in a scattered design.

Why not try decorating your spruce or pine with Christmas cards? (See the sketch in the upper left hand corner.) You'll find this own scrapbooks helps them pass the novel idea quite as gay as the usual | weary hours swiftly. adornments, and twice as refresh-

Incidentally, should the thoughtful people who sent you the cards stop in for a holiday visit, you'll be pleasantly surprised to see how flattered they'll be at finding their remembrances so charmingly dis-

If you're really a conscientious Bookends, vases, bookmarks, hand conserver, here's another item to blotters, match books can all look add to your list. Have you always hesitated to destroy your Christmas | tion of a design cut out of Christmas cards because of sentimentality or | cards.

decorations on it are fire hazards which you will want to watch most carefully this Christmas. Remember when you bring a tree into your house it is going to dry up. A fresh cut

tree will not take fire any more easily during the first day or two than would the evergreen shrubs growing outside but it becomes a more serious fire hazard every hour. At the end of a week, it

It is best to bring in a fresh tree as

Place in Pan of Water.

The place you select for your tree should be well away from stoves, radiators, and other sources of heat.

that there are any number of dif-ferent uses to which they can be The tree should be well secured against falling by inconspicuous wires holding it against the wall. The tree should be so placed that standing or fallen, it cannot block a doorway which might be needed

> The candle for Christmas is still taking its yearly toll of lives and property. It is found on Christmas trees more rarely every year, but none the less, it is used unwisely in many places during the Christmas season. Open flame lighting is entirely out of place unless you set up your candles and lamps well away from Christmas trees, window curtains, and burnable decorations, have a fire extinguisher handy and then keep constant watch over them. Such precautions are not needed for the equally attractive electric lights made especially for

pronounced safe by experts.

'Boxing Day' Observance

"Boxing day" is in reality St. Stephen's day and is observed in common people.

Old English Celebrated

If Log Burnt at Christmas Among the many old English Christmas festivities was the ceremony attached to bringing a great log, sometimes the root of a tree, into the household on Christmas Eve, placing it in the fireplace and lighting it with a branch of the previous year's log. While it burned through the night there was great celebration but if it went out it presaged ill luck for the coming

Here's Norse Legend:

In Norse mythology, Balder, the god who personified the sun, was hated by Lok, who planned to destroy him. Balder's mother obtained a promise from all living things, except the mistletoe, that they would not harm Balder. Lok made an arrow from the mistletoe and gave it to Balder's blind brother, Hoder, explaining how he could throw it. The arrow struck Balder, killing him, but he was restored to life and the mistletoe was placed under his mother's care so that it would never again bring harm. The custom of giving a kiss of love or peace under the mistletoe is an assurance that it will never again be an instrument of evil.

Fire Hazards Beset Homes At Christmas

Your Christmas tree and the will be highly flammable.

short a time before Christmas as possible, and to remove it as soon afterwards as you can. If you do this, ordinary precautions should prevent it from taking fire. Families, clubs, churches and business men who want to keep their trees from a week or more before Christmas until after New Year's day need observe special safeguards to keep it reasonably safe.

The tree can be kept fresh if you set it up in a pan of water. Cut off the base of the tree at an angle at least one inch above the original cut and keep it standing in water during the entire period that the tree is in the house, adding water to the jar or tub in which the tree stands at intervals to keep the water level always above the cut. This method when used with fresh trees reduces the flammability as effectively as any fireproofing chemicals. Chemicals may cause the tree to turn brown or yellow or to lose its

to escape from the room.

Candle Still Takes Toll.

But it is important that your Christmas lights be in good condition. A short circuit in worn wiring might be sufficient to start the tree burning. Sets bearing the label of Underwriters Laboratories, Inc., have been tested for fire hazard and

Has Biblical Background

England and other Old World countries in commemoration of the biblical martyr in recognition of his having been the first to seal with his blood the testimony of fidelity to his Lord. The year in which he was stoned to death, as recorded in the Acts of the Apostles, is supposed to have been 33 A. D. Due to the custom, established many years ago, of distributing Christmas boxes or gifts of money to employees and public servants, such as postmen, lamplighters, and others, on the day after Christmas, it became popularly known as "Boxing day," and observed as a general holiday by the

Kiss Under Mistletoe

Sign of Reconciliation



Packed with Nutritives

11/2 lbs. ground 1/2 onion, meat chopped I cup all bran 11/2 tsp. salt 2 eggs, beaten 1/4 tsp. pepper 2 carrots, grated 1/2 cup celery 1/2 cup catsup

Mix ingredients and bake. Place in a greased loaf pan and bake at 400 degrees for one hour. Serves 10. Try it on your range. advantage.

If you have a new model gas range with "low temperature" oven, cook meat at 300 to 350°. You'll be amazed at the reduction in shrinkage ... the uniform doneness throughout ... the juicy tenderness.

The use of meat "extenders", too, will provide more meat dishes. Serve meat loaf, hash, goulash, pot pie, slumgullion. Properly prepared, they're nutritive and tasty.



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The Christmas & FINDS ITS SHRINE IN

Thristmas this year in America has been made doubly significant by the glorious sacrifice of the youth of our Nation. Somehow we believe it fitting and appropriate to remember them especially, in our Christmas Greetings. Without their efforts Christmas this year would be empty indeed. Because

of their sacrifice and their willingness to serve, an American Christmas is again possible.

Season's Greetings to the youth of America, and to their loved ones and friends. May the coming year bring Peace and contentment for all.

> DON'T FORGET YOUR **CO-OPERATIVE**

Consumers Fuel Association And Grocery

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"THE CLOTHIER"

Clovis, New Mexico.



Everyone is happy to have Christmas come. Its spirit has a way of bringing to the surface, for out-ward expression, the cordial feelings of goodwill which friends and loved ones have for each other every day of the year.

Regardless of what the coming years hold for you and yours, whatever the disappointments may be, we trust you will remember that our thoughts are of our friends and we are seeking the brighter side of things that may result in peace, happiness and contentment for all.

May Brothers

"Clovis' Oldest and Finest Jewelers"

CLOVIS, N. M.



WE'RE GLAD IT'S CHRISTMAS

BECAUSE it gives us an opportunity to renew old acquaintances.

BECAUSE it's the one time of the year when problems and tribulations can be forgotten.

BECAUSE the spirit of Christmas prevails everywhere and the brotherhood of man predominates the thoughts of civilized man.

BECAUSE we can be young again, and relive a life of fond memories with our loved ones.

BECAUSE a world which observes Christmas is a world worth living in-a joy for all.



BOONE ALLISON, Mgr.



W HEN Dr. Wade turned away from the telephone his face was grave. Sara, his wife, came into the living-room quickly. She had been standing in the hall, lis-

"Hugh, you can't go! You can't! It's Christmas and the children are all coming home, and oh, it will simply ruin all our plans!"

"Now, now," Dr. Wade said. He slipped off his house jacket and moved around the tree that sparkled with gay ornaments and bright tinsel and strings of popcorn. From the closet he brought his overcoat and overshoes and his cap with the fur-lined earlaps. Sara watched him desperately. Once she glanced toward the window. Snow hissed against the glass. Wind howled about the eaves.

Dr. Wade stood by the door and drew on his gloves and picked up his bag. He looked down at his small wife whose hair was streaked



The young wife lay, her face white and drawn.

with gray, whose eyes were anxious and desperate, but proud and loving. A smile rested lightly on his lips as he waited.

Sara bit her lip and looked away. When she looked back again her eyes held nothing but affectionate reproach. "You-you-" she said, and stood tiptoe and kissed him.

Dr. Wade backed his coupe out of the garage. He was glad that he had taken the precaution to put chains on the night before. With a storm like this the street depart-roads clear.

In the village Dr. Wade stopped and went into Cy Anderson's store to make some purchases. An hour later he stopped the coupe at the foot of the logging road that led up to Bald Ridge. Even with chains it would be impossible to go farther with the coupe. So he produced snowshoes from the rear compartment of the coupe, strapped them on, tied a canvas pack on his back, tucked his kit under one arm and started up the road.

The storm had increased rather than lessened in fury. Frequentlymore frequently than he liked to admit-Dr. Wade had to pause to rest, turning his back to the wind.

It was two hours later when Dr. Wade saw the blurred outline of the cabin. Ordinarily the trip would have taken him less than thirty minutes. He knocked and the door opened at once. He stepped inside and leaned against the wall, breathing heavily. Slowly he became aware of the warmth. Life came back to his muscles. He looked up and smiled.

Young Brad Jones was watching him, wide-eyed, dumb gratitude in his face. Behind him his young wife lay on the bed near the stove, her face white and drawn, biting her lips to keep from crying out.

Dr. Wade had delivered hundreds of babies, but this one was different. It was different because it was Christmas and a storm raged outside, and his children were coming home and he wasn't going to be there to greet them. It was different because he had stopped in Anderson's store and bought some things that brought tears to Mrs. Jones' eyes, and made it impossible for young Brad to speak.

It was late afternoon when Dr. Wade started for home. The storm had abated, but the wind was colder, sharper. Now that it was over the doctor's thought leaped ahead, to his own home and his own children. He was sorry he hadn't been there to greet them. He and Sara had

planned so many surprises. Sara met him at the door. helped him off with his coat and brought his slippers from before the fire. Her eyes were shining.

"The children didn't get here. The storm held up the train. They just 'phoned from the station. They'll be here any minute, and we'll both be on hand to greet them. Oh, it's going to be the best Christmas ever!"

Dr. Wade smiled and thought of the expressions on the faces of young Brad Jones and his wife. "Yes," he said, "the best Christmas ever." And his chin fell forward on his

chest and he slept. Sara looked at him. "Oh, you-



IN A COUNTRY IN A WORLD

Where the gleaming torch of Liberty and Freedom still burns brightly . . . we pause to reflect with sincere joy upon new friendships formed and old ones grown richer . . . and as we enter a New Year we express our gratitude to you for having made our e periences throughout the past year pleasant and profitable.

MAY YOURS BE A MOST MERRY CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR PROSPEROUS

O. W. Rhinehart

Bovina, Texas.

With the Return of the Joyous



We are afforded the pleasant opportunity of brushing aside for the moment the cares and burdens of world affairs and business to greet you and wish you the happiness of the season.

As we take mental inventory of our business activities, we realize no asset is more priceless, more conductive to success than the good-will and friendship of our many customer friends.

And so we join with those who have a sincere interest in your happiness and prosperity to extend our best wishes to each of you



Capitol Freehold Land Trust

you—" she said lovingly and tiptoed not of the room.

THANK YOU-

The English, compelled to make the most of every scrap of paper.

have learned how to put their Christ-

mas cards to good use. They send

back to their friends the cards they

received from them the year be-

fore, just scratching out the friend's

Yule Card History

were printed in England in 1842, it

was not until about 20 years later

that they were commonly sold. At

first they were simply handwritten

sentiments with the sender's name

appended. However, as their com-

mercial possibilities were unfolded,

they were developed their present

Yule Decorations

be made from white birch twigs combined with white pine cones and

sprays. One unusual piece consists

of a basket made from white birch

and filled with pine sprays, red ber-

SEASON'S

GREETINGS

TO ALL AMERICA

IN THE GOOD OLD FASHIONED

SPIRIT OF THE OCCASION

Texico

ries and dried grasses.

Smart Christmas decorations may

Although the first Christmas cards

name and adding their own.

For Your Card

则有知识则不然不然不能不知不知不完不完不完不完在此不完在完全不知识的原则不知识则不知识则不是不能不能 Mother Nature Is a Good Assistant In Planning Christmas Decorations

IF YOU live in the country, you Cover the whole with sprays of are unusually lucky, because evergreen. Add candles if you you have close at hand the means like. for making your house lovelier than ever this Christmas. And even if you don't, you can make the most of the greens, the fruits and the flowers you can get.

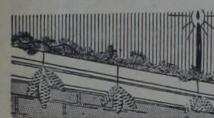
Fruit on a plate, surrounded with sprays of evergreen or holly, makes a



colorful centerpiece that's really "good enough to eat." A simple suggestion, that, but the trick lies in making suit your own

cate pieces of ribbon and find cards, too. their places that way. It's fun, And if to deciding whether to seat Aunt Bes- own Christmas sie next to Grandma or opposite flowers for dec-

To a stick (a yardstick will do) for gifts-spetie clusters of pine cones. Lay cially to thutthe stick on your mantel so that in friend. A the cones hang over the edge.



Tie wreaths of evergreen

or holly to your front door and hang them in your windows. Tie evergreen to the base of your candle sticks. Fasten t to your Christmas presents. Wear it in your hair. Don't be afraid

to use it where a thoughtful ar- you like to give your home a rangement to friendly appearance.

Evergreen or holly corsages And taffy apples make grand you can make them in a twinkling place cards. To the stick in each, by tying the sprigs together with tie a sprig of green with a colored ribbon. You can wire them for ribbon, a different color for each added security, but it really isn't guest. Let your guests draw dupli- necessar. Use them for place

And if you didn't do it this year, and it will save you the grief of be sure lext fall to grow your

> orations and few ceits' worth of narcissus hilbs will provide

you with nany weeks' pleasure. Half the fin of Christmas is in getting realy for it. Most of the other half s in doing it yourself. Let nature help you!

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IT'S OUR PLEASURE

TO GREET YOU

In the excitement of a busy holiday season, we trust that you will stop long enough to accept our GREETINGS OF THE SEASON. Our own Christmas would be incomplete if we did not take

advantage of the opportunity to wish you all the good things we can think of. You have been considerate of us in the past, and we trust that we

may continue to merit your patronage in the

Crantill Grocery

Bovina, Texas.



...A ND moreover, this is New Year's eve," said Wallace, as if that ought to settle the matter. "Cheer up. Let's go to the Officers" Club and join in the fun."

George Martin shook his head. Before he could welcome the approach of another year he had a troublesome decision to make. The crowded streets, the milling people, the babbling groups headed for Times Square-none of these signs of the coming of 1944 had power to lift him from his depression. His voice was solemn.

"Look at my problem from the personal angle," he said. "Tell me, Wallace, how would you feel if you had been told you couldn't return to the school ship after the holi-

"I'd feel bad, naturally. But not as if the world had come to an end." "You're not a sailor," returned Martin. "You don't understand what the school ship gets to mean to a

fellow. It gets in the blood . . .

under a man's skin." He listened carefully as Martin continued: "You should have seen Doyle's face when the Cadet Council told him he was through. It went white. It's not only the way a fellow feels about it himself, it's a fel-

Wallace was saying: "The school ship's not the only place of its kind in the world. A fellow can still work his way up from the fo'c'sle, you know, and become just as good an

low's family . .

They were walking along a waterfront street, now, past seamen's lodging houses. A row of men stood in line before the doorway of a Sailors' Mission.

"Shipping's bad," volunteered one of the men. "No more ships. Can't get a job for love nor money. Got a cigarette?"

Martin pulled a package of them from his pocket, offered it. The



You're to report back to the school ship January 3.

sailor took a cigarette eagerly, waited for a light. "Thanks, buddy." 'See what a fellow's up against?" Martin said. "Even old-timers can't get ships. A youngster would have

At the next stand he purchased a newspaper. He stood under a neon sign and opened it to the Want ads. "Look. Here are your shore jobs. Wanted: an office boy. Must run elevator. Wanted: boy to distribute handbills. Wanted: soda clerk. Are these anything for a fellow who really wants a sea career-a merchant officer's career, the whole world ahead of him, and a captain's berth at the end?" He threw down the newspaper. "I've made up my mind. Come with me," he said.

At a small hotel for sailors, he turned in and inquired: "Doyle stopping here? Thomas Doyle?" The clerk thumbed through the

register. "Number 1215." As George Martin entered the room, Doyle sprang to his feet. He had been stretched out on the nar-

row bunk, his face buried in the

"I heard you hadn't gone home,

Doyle," said Martin. Doyle's eyes were swollen and ed. "I thought I'd rather stay here, until after the holidays. Then I thought I'd get a ship-or a shore job. I couldn't face them at home, sir . . . I just couldn't."

Martin took out his watch. "If you can get out to the airport by one o'clock, you'll catch a night plane to Bangor. That's where you live, isn't it? Got enough money?"

"Yes, I have. But "Do as you're told," said Martin. "Your case has been up for consideration since the holidays started last week. I've been thinking it over carefully, and will veto the action of the Cadet Council. You're to report back to the school ship on January third, with the others. It'll be up to you to make good. Those are orders."

The boy's face was radiant. "Happy New Year, sir! That's all I needed, sir, to change the whole world for me-another chance at the school

"Funny old world," said George Martin, superintendent of the Nautical Training School, as he rejoined his friend in the lobby. "Another

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FARWELL, TEXAS.



Business and world affairs are forgotten, and the good people of a free America pause to observe a season of cheer and good fellowship.

In other parts of the world the Yuletide Season is also being observed, but we do not believe that it is possible for others to realize the full significance of Christmas that is in evidence in our own America. We have had our reverses, too. We have experienced disappointments that have been difficult to bear. Yet we do not forget that we have much for which to be thankful. We

are a free country! Free thinking, freedom of speech, religion, and press is the American way of life, and we, as its citizens, appreciate the happiness and contentment resulting from these freedoms. 本

Christmas takes on a newer meaning this season. It gives us an opportunity to forget our cares and to lose ourselves in the glorious atmosphere of sociability of loved ones and the associations of friends tried and proven. Our Christmas Greeting is full of genuine feeling, and we wish for you and yours all the happiness of the occasion.

Farwell Elevator

W. BART OSBORNE, Mgr.

chance at the school ship . . . that's all Doyle needed to face New Year.



GREETINGS

AT CHRISTMAS TIME WE REA-LIZE MORE THAN EVER HOW MUCH IT MEANS TO HAVE THE FRIENDSHIP AND GOOD WILL OF FOLKS LIKE YOU . . . AND

SO WE THANK YOU AGAIN AND EXTEND OUR BEST WISHES FOR CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR.

Sikes Motor Company

Farwell Wins Twin Bill Texico and Ranchvale From Bovina, Friday

(By Bob Sudderth)

Bovina suffered her second defeat Friday night, as the Farwell Steers were on the stampede and rounded up 36 points while Bovina made 15.

Elton Young started off with a bang. He made 8 points before anyone else on either team made a score. Clarence Summers didn't do so bad, he made 14 points and that tied Ellton for high point man. Bovina's of 27 to 15, in a hotly contested for you, is the more elaborate type at the Bovina high school December tallied 6 points.

The Farwell line-up consisted of Forward, Elton Young; Forward, Bert Williams. Center, Glenn Phillips; Guard, Clarence Sumners. Guard, Duane Sprawls.

Bovina's first team was Forward, Looney; Forward, Trimble. Center, Norton. Guard, Moore. and Guard, Meshew. At the first quarter Bovina RETURNS TO NURSING sent in another team, Johnson, Ross,

ed to be Farwell's night, because the the sick and suffering.

Starr tied for high point men of emergency. Bovina with 4 points each. The Farwell players were Forward, B. Wil- FIREMEN STAGE DANCES liams, who played just one quarter

Farwell's next game is with Oklahoma Lane, January the seventh.

CHEERIO,

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of Christmas and gives us something

tangible on which to hang our ambitions

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honors in a twin bill played on the visiting girls taking the first conthe last game.

The Ranchvale lassies avenged the local girls when they met the last time by coming back and defeating Miss Rodewald's cagers by a score

took the measure of the visitors by nosing them out in a furious game with a count of 29-20 to celebrate as well as a balance of your whole invited to come. the last game James Box, ranking

Mrs. V. Scott Johnson of this ord books. and changed back to the first team profession, has 'responded to the be sure to keep a record book during of Dover, Okla. acute demand for trained nurses at 1944. Here are some of the main game of the night and it just seem- donned the uniform to give aid to book regardless of how simple or to bad road conditions.

score was 21-15 in the Steer's favor. There is a serious shortage of make your farm record keeping: (1) children of Portland, Oregon, ar- nounced. Don Williams, a new boy, was high trained nurses at the hospital and A schedule of all things which de- rived in Bovina Sunday to spend the point man for Farwell with 10 points an appeal has been issued to all preciate in value and must be re- Christmas holidays with his parents, and he is just a freshman. Ross and trained nurses for assistance in the placed after a time, such as farm Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Daner, and her

and was succeeded by Billy James The Texico Volunteer Fire Depart- record of all farm expenses, show mas holidays with his parents. Moore; Forward, Don Williams: Cen- ment is sponsoring four dances at nature of expenditure, date, and am- Mr. and Mrs. Davis King are the ter, Junior Robinson: Guard, Rue- the Priboth Roller Rink in Muleshoe ount of item paid for. These are ab- proud parents of a new son, born ben Meissner; Guard, Junior Hard- during the holidays. The first will solutely essential. In addition to Sunday night, Dec. 19th. ing who gave his position to Kalbas be on Christmas Eve, followed by these there are other items such as another on Christmas night. Then on balance of net worth of farming en-Bovina started with Forward, New Year's Eve and on New Years terprise, expenses and income listed Starr; Forward, Hawkins: Center, night more dances will be held. The under different farming projects, on the sick list this week. Looney. Guard, Smith and Guard fireboys would like to see a good at- and a dozen other things which will tendance at all these dances.

Give a war bond for Christmas!

By GARLON A. HARPER County Agricultural Agent

that complete farm record book come their missions. We were on a mission in mighty handy when you were fig- when the accident occured. It was uring up your farm income and ded- just one of those things that hapuctable expenses? Or did you keep pen-no one was at fault. a farm record book during 1943? Your son was a great man. He died record book you probably overlook- hero. ed a lot of deductable expenses which would have cut your tax bill down. Of course, you don't want to not pay taxes you actually owe but Texico and Ranchvale divided on the other hand you don't want to pay more than your fair share. THE ANSWER IS: KEEP A COMPLETE

test and the Texico boys winning don't have to keep such an elabor-In keeping a farm record you ate set of books. Any form of rec- yon, visited her sister, Miss Oleta ord book which will show the date, Harrison over the weekend. defeat they met at the hands of the the amount, and the nature of all farm income and expenses is good. over the weekend visiting his par-Some of you may be inclined to- ents. In the boys' game, Texico again of record book which will give you 31, given by the boys of the Clovis operation on the entire farm. Some of you may simply detest working with all little details and think you don't have time to keep such an elaborate set of farm books. Then you gaurd will play before leaving with all little details and think you Erwin Boatman home this week. borate set of farm books. Then you should get one of those simple rec-

priced breeding animals and so on; Farwell. (2) A complete record of all income help you to do a better job of farm- for San Diego, Calif., where she will ing during 1944 and the following be with her husband, who is sta-

Keep a record book on your farmwill also be a better farmer.

First of the Year Is

week, whose subscription will ex- Clovis, Thursday. pire on or about Jan. 1st.

your check for renewal at once if Mattie Beeler, this week. you desire to have the paper continthe large daily papers are not allowed to accept new subscribers. This

weekly newspapers anytime. Until last year, the policy of this also visit in Oklahoma. newspaper was to stage a Christmas special and offer the paper at \$1.00 a year. Prevailing circumstances forced us to discontinue this special rate during the holidays, and maintain the regular subscription price of \$1.50. There has been no advance -just a discontinuation of the Xmas

Delinquent subscribers will be dropped from the list after the first of the year.

MOVING TO FRIONA

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Minter are this week making final arrangements to move from their larm south of this city to a larger farm near Friena.

I joined the crew back in May and Lt. Gober and I have had a lot of fun since. He and I were continually boxing and fooling around. He was always ready to do anything he Texas A. & M. Extension Service could for the enlisted men on the

Well, so you have made your in- I am lost without my crew, they come tax estimate for 1943. Didn't were all fine men, all eager to start

Just before December 15th, didn't doing what he liked and fighting you wish you had? Maybe you don't for his country. He shall always live realize it but if you keep a farm in my heart as a true friend and a

Alan B. Purdy.

BOVINA NEWS

Sgt. Don Mason from Chicago, is home on a furlough, visiting his wife, Mrs. Opal Mason.

Miss Guy Fay Harrison of Can-

John Robert Kimbrow was home

daughter, Roberty, returned home Dec. 12 after a week's visit with her Monday. Brach, C. Hawkins, and H. Hawkins, city, who is a registered nurse by Regardless of what type you are, parents, Mr. and Mrs. Verne Purdy

School buses ran Monday, Dec. The B teams played the second the Memorial hospital in Clovis and items you will want to have in that 20 for the first time in ten days due

machinery, farm buildings, high parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kyker of

Juston Danner of Auburn, Alab., received from sale; (3) A complete arrived Monday to spend the Christ-

Mrs. H. A. Nichols has returned

home from a visit to Groom, Texas. Billie and Clara Ethel Derrick are Mrs. J. H. Hammonds left Friday

tioned there. Cash Richards was injured Saturing business during 1944 and you day when he was repairing a wind-

will not only do a bette job of til- mill, and a part of it fell on him. He ing your income tax return but you is better at this writing. . Miss Eva Copeland of Gallup, N.

M., is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Englant this week. Mrs. H. E. McLean and Mrs. Subscription Pay-Up Bessie Loyd visited in the W. M. Loyd home in Friona, Saturday.

Statements are being mailed to a Mr. and Mrs. Buck Loyd, and Mrs. large number of our subscribers this G. E. Free were business visitors in

Miss Della Beeler of Tucumcari, We urge you to come in or mail N. M., is visiting her sister, Miss

Pfc. Elza Godsey, who has been ue coming to your address. Once stationed an Guadalcanal, is home your name is dropped from the list, on a 30-day leave, visiting his paryou would have to be replaced as a ents, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Godsey, and new subscriber, and already many of also sisters and niece. He has sure seen some fighting, too.

Mrs. Mable Newberry left Thursrule might be made applicable to day for Liberty, Kansas, to spend Christmas with relatives. She will

> Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cook and famly have gone to Kansas to visit during the holidays.



THE PEACE of CHRISTMASTIME

MAY IT CONTINUE THROUGHOUT THE OTHER DAYS OF THE YEAR __OUR YULETIDE WISH FOR YOU

Summer's Dairy

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Sheetrock

Roberts Seed Co.

Texico, N. M.

GREETINGS

As we close our books we thank you for your many favors during the past year and extend a sincere expression of Good Cheer for the coming

If we can be of service to you in the years to come, please feel free to call on us. It is our purpose to serve in any manner that we can, efficiently and promptly.



Fox Drug Store

Farwell, Texas.

THE REPRESENTATION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROP

Stores to Close All Day for Christmas

mas and would not reopen until

noon and will remain closed until

SCHOOLS CLOSE

Both Texico and Farwell schools were dismissed Wednesday afternoon for the holiday season. Classes will be resumed in both schools on how elaborate you may want to Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Danner and Monday, Jan. 3rd, it has been an-

> Ravens annually return to the same nesting place

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> FARM SALES A SPECIALTY

Let Me Cry Your Farm Sale

Farwell, Texas.

SHOWING IMPROVEMENT

Mary Belle, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Aldridge of this city, A check-up here early this week who is receiving treatment in a Lubexact and detailed information on Air Base. The admission will be just revealed that practically all local book hospital, is reported to be showall of your different farm enterprises a war bond or a stamp. Everyone is stores would be losed all day Christ- ing satisfactory improvement and may be permitted to return home the latter part of this week.



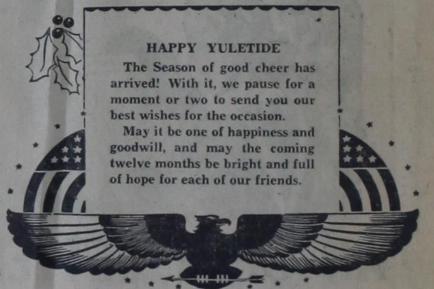
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