

C. Merchants Say That It's a Merry Christmas

Two Roads Lead to Scene of Nativity

Truman Visits Friends Back In Home State

INDEPENDENCE — (AP) — Free from the burdens of state for a few days, President Truman planned to get in a lot more visiting yesterday and today with relatives and old friends.

The President lost little time in getting his annual Christmas visit under way.

Within a few hours after arriving from Washington Friday, he called at St. Joseph's Hospital in nearby Kansas City, to chat with an ailing World War I buddy, Theodore Marks. He remained with him for about fifteen minutes.

Sister James Marie, a hospital supervisor, told Mr. Truman about Kenny Fry, 17, who suffered a broken neck in a high school football game. The President dropped in to shake hands and to tell the youth to keep his spirits up.

The nun said Mr. Truman also dropped in to see another patient, Lawrence Weaver. They must be old friends, she told reporters, since they called each other by their first names.

From the hospital, Mr. Truman drove to Grandview to visit his sister, Miss Mary Jane Truman, and from there he went to the home of his brother, J. Vivian Truman. He returned home after a three-hour absence, to spend a quiet Friday evening with Mrs. Truman and their daughter, Margaret.

Mrs. Truman and Margaret last night were to attend midnight services at Trinity Episcopal Church. It was not disclosed whether the President would go with them, but it was thought unlikely because he dislikes the attention he attracts on such solemn occasions. Miss Truman will sing in the church choir, as she did last year.

Monday Mr. Truman will formally present to Jackson County his second statue of Andrew Jackson. The statue will be unveiled on the courthouse lawn here by Miss Truman.

Pres. Truman Asks Asylum For Refugees

INDEPENDENCE — (AP) — President Truman made his Christmas message last night a plea for war's refugees—for whom "there is no room in the inn."

The Truman administration is pressing Congress to let another \$34,000,000 of European displaced persons, find a place here. The bill has passed the House and is pending in the Senate.

As he pushed a button which lighted the nation's big Christmas tree on the lawn of the White House in Washington, Mr. Truman said:

BETHLEHEM — (AP) — Rain, mud and grim reminders of a recent war today marred the traditional Christmas pilgrimage to Bethlehem, birthplace of the Prince of Peace.

There were two roads this time — and two processions. Only a few would make the trip, in comparison with the thousands who used to go in other times.

Clergymen and pilgrims living in the Arab-held old city of Jerusalem were forced to follow the tired northern route to the ancient city. Delegates of the U.S., diplomats and a few other pilgrims traveled from the new part of Jerusalem, held by the Jews, over the southern Roman road.

The dull sound of explosions could be heard as Jewish soldiers cleared wartime mines from their route. The road travels for a few miles through Jewish-held territory to the Arab-Jewish demarcation line set up by the armistice which stopped the war between them. Heavily armed soldiers of both sides face each other there, and the pilgrims will be permitted to pass and return only at certain hours.

But inside Bethlehem the spirit of Christmas-time worship will prevail. Mass will be celebrated in St. Catherine's Church adjoining the Church of the Nativity, which is said to stand on the spot where Christ was born. Magr. Gustave Testa, acting Roman Catholic patriarch, will conduct the service.

In the courtyard of the Church of the Nativity, the Anglicans (Episcopalians) were to sing carols before midnight yesterday. Other Protestant sects also planning observances.

Shaky French Coalition Is Holding Pat

PARIS — (AP) — Premier Georges Bidault's coalition French government still faces shaky times even though it had won a narrow vote of confidence on the national budget.

The lower house of the National Parliament early yesterday backed by a slim margin, but it was thought it had won a narrow vote of confidence on the national budget.

The principal argument is over increased taxes the cabinet says are needed to balance the budget. The opposition had presented a budget with increased taxes.

The chief attack on the government before the vote of confidence was by former Premier Paul Reynaud, who asked:

"Let us not on this Christmas, in our enjoyment of the abundance with which Providence has endowed us, forget those who, because of the cruelty of war, have no shelter — those multitudes for whom, in the phrase of historic irony, there is no room in the inn."

Although he did not mention the legislation or use the displaced persons description, Mr. Truman made clear his determination to fight for expansion of the present law under which 205,000 are being received. The bill has been made a must order of business in the Senate next month. He said:

"We must not forget that there are thousands and thousands of families homeless, hopeless, destitute and torn with despair on this Christmas Eve."

"For them as for the Holy Family on the first Christmas, there is no room in the inn."

Christmas is a child's day, he said, yet "among these families — broken with the tragedy of homelessness — are myriads of little children who have never known what it was to have a home or a country."

"In this blessed season, let not blind passion darken our counsels. We shall not solve a moral question by dodging it."

"We can scarcely hope to have a full Christmas if we turn a deaf ear to the suffering of even the least of Christ's little ones."

Weatherman Takes Most of It Back

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The Weather Bureau turned bearish on prospects for a white Christmas.

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Christmas Edition Is A Few Hours Early

This edition of The Pampa Daily News, the regular Christmas one, goes to press a few hours early. This policy has been adopted because employees of The News wanted a few hours off on Christmas Eve.

There will be an edition of The News on Monday, but in the meantime readers are urged to tune to Station KEDN for any late news developments not covered in this edition.

Christmas in Europe Isn't Pre-War Yet

LONDON — (AP) — For Europe it will be a dull Christmas — white only in favored spots — but a better one than the old continent has had since the war.

From the United Kingdom and from all quarters of the mainland came reports that there is more food, more toys, more warmth, more smiles.

There was also a great deal more fog, and a disappointing shortage of snow.

It will be a white Christmas in parts of Norway and Sweden, Bavaria and Switzerland. But just about everywhere else there was rain or a threat of it and extensive regions were gloomy under great masses of fog.

In Britain it was a shopping spree. National savings figures showed for the week ending today the small savers deposited about 13,160,000 pounds sterling (\$36,848,000) and they withdrew \$23,600,000 pounds sterling (66,068,000) Christmas shopping accounted for a large part of the difference.

The Christmas festivities in the British Commonwealth will come to a climax at 2 p.m. (9 a. m. C.S.T.) today with King George's broadcast of a Christmas message.

Dublin reported there never have been more Christmas visitors in Ireland and that there is an abundance of food.

There was more Christmas cheer than usual in Germany. There was more food. West Berlin shops were filled with gifts of all kinds.

Shops in the eastern sector of Berlin were not as bright, and buying was not as brisk.

Austria is set for its finest postwar Christmas. The food situation was much improved. Most Austrians will eat the traditional goose, and the shops were full of presents.

Foggy France reported a near proverbial abundance of food. The emphasis in the Christmas season is on turkey, chicken, goose and rabbit.

It's Rudeness Says Hungary

BUDAPEST — (AP) — The Hungarian government charged yesterday that jailed American businessman Robert Vogler headed an espionage ring of 12 Hungarians. It accused the group of "continuous widespread spying and sabotage activities" and said all had confessed.

The Communist-led government at the same time accused the United States of "rudely insulting the sovereignty of Hungary by demanding Vogler's release in a note and by its action in banning all travel by private American citizens to this country."

The government of the Hungarian People's Republic rejects the note emphatically, considering it a new attempt at a new attempt at rude interference in the internal affairs of the people's republic," the Hungarian note said.

The Hungarian Interior Ministry charged Vogler, assistant vice president of the International Telephone and Telegraph Company, was aided in spying by Edgar Sanders, his British assistant of the telegraph company, and by Imre Geiger, a Hungarian.



THE THREE WISE MEN NATIVITY SCENE is one of six that now decorates the City Park. Charlie Thomas, chairman of the Nativity Scenes Committee, and his five assistant painters worked many hours a day seven days a week since Thanksgiving Day to have the scenes ready for the unveiling ceremony, Dec. 16. The park was packed for the ceremony that night and several traffic jams have resulted since when night sight-seers drove slowly around the park to see the scenes. The six scenes are now valued at more than \$4,500. The other painters were Miss Florence Jackson, Mrs. Bob Vall, Mrs. Doris Rinehart, Roger Long and Homer Sherr.

Pampans Employ Many Ways to Observe Day

50,000 See Pontiff Bring in Catholic Church Holy Year

VATICAN CITY — (AP) — Pope Pius XII opened the 1950 holy year of the Roman Catholic Church amid the joyous ringing of church bells and the angry clatter of Communist-led disorders yesterday.

Scarcely had the pontiff unsealed the Holy Door at St. Peter's Basilica with three symbolic strokes of a silver hammer, when Communist-led disorders broke out in Rome.

In the heart of ancient Rome, as the 25th jubilee year of the Catholic Church began, a Communist-led crowd stoned the Spanish Embassy, crying "Death to Franco."

Tens of thousands thronged the Vatican Basilica for the solemn pageantry of the opening. Hundreds took part in the Communist demonstrations. The short-lived strike was called to protest strong police precautions against possible incidents between pilgrims and Communists meeting near the Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore, where a cardinal opened another Holy Door.

Riot squads dispersed the anti-Franco demonstrators who were protesting the presence in Rome of Spanish Foreign Minister Martin Ariza, here for the holy door ceremony. In the disorder, a U. S. embassy official was overturned near the Spanish embassy.

But the incidents failed to interrupt the holy year inauguration ceremonies at St. Peter's. A crowd of 50,000 persons inside the basilica cheered as the pontiff strode alone through the door into the vast church, seat of the religion of 400,000,000 persons of whom the pope is the temporal head.

Outside, 200,000 more gathered in St. Peter's Square heard the great bronze bells of the basilica ring the tidings that the jubilee year had begun.

As the Pope opened the holy year, he revealed she will marry Douglas Cook, 20-year-old art student, on July 4.

Noted Poet Writes To Shamrock Class

SHAMROCK — (Special) — Holiday mail brought a pleasant surprise to Mrs. B. F. Risinger's Seventh Grade literature students. They have been studying the work of John Massfield, arguing poet laureate of England, and decided recently to write him. The letter was addressed to the noted poet "somewhere in England."

Program Given To Capacity Crowd

McLEAN — (Special) — Members of the grade school classes played to a full auditorium when they presented their annual Christmas program in the McLean High School Monday night.

Directors of the program were Mrs. C. L. McGee and Mrs. Williams. Dicky Sligar was piano and organ accompanist.

Soloists included James Jolly, Marie Watson, Owen Ebes, Marie Coleman, Glen Howard, Harley Knutson, and Warren Henley.

Survey Shows Buyers Turn In New Record

(By The Associated Press) Cash registers in the nation's department and other retail stores played a merry Christmas tune during the holiday shopping season, indicating record sales both in unit and dollar volume.

Last week's last-minute shoppers swarmed the country's stores for purchases and sales in many cities soared above last year's record business.

The big push to the store counters for Christmas buying, reports indicated, was in the last few weeks. November sales of chain stores and mail order houses were about two percent below November, 1948, the U.S. Department of Commerce said.

But the Federal Reserve Board reported department store sales jumped to a new record high in the week ended Dec. 17.

A spot survey of major stores in cities across the country showed only one city reporting a drop in Christmas buying compared to last year. The Retail Merchants Association in Detroit said Christmas sales were about 10 percent less than in 1948.

There was less demand for household appliances and liquor in the motor city, the association said. But no such falling off in Christmas buying was reported in stores in New York, Chicago, Boston, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Kansas City, Atlanta, Minneapolis, Richmond, Va., Dallas and Seattle.

In Dallas, dollar volume at Sanger's Department Store was seven percent higher. Sears, Roebuck's retail store also reported between seven and eight percent more business than last year. Business at the Neiman-Marcus specialty store was reported a little better both in units and dollars, and people seemed to be better satisfied with prices.

In New York, most stores reported business "highly satisfactory." One group of stores selling high-priced lines and women's clothing said dollar volume was four percent ahead of last Christmas and unit volume about 20 percent better. A large independent store reported ready-to-wear clothes and finer home furnishings "doing a roaring business," but said moderate priced Christmas merchandise "was a great gun."

The holiday shopping season started late in Los Angeles, but was reported to have appeared a general feeling of confidence in economic conditions, the stores said. Sales in downtown stores were reported four percent higher than last year.

Magi Present Another Gift

DALLAS — (AP) — Here's a Christmas story of a young bride who sold a pint of her blood to buy a gift for her husband.

Betty McCord, 18, has been married just a year. All fall she skimped to get a good watch for her husband, Don, a Freshman at Southwestern Medical College.

Betty works in a clinic at Parkland Hospital. She saved money for the watch by pinching pennies on her grocery bill and money. But the money she was able to save lacked \$30 of being enough.

So he went to a Dallas blood bank and sold a pint of her blood for \$30. The bank said it would mail her a check.

It did. But Don got the check Wednesday, then dressed in his Sunday best and went to Parkland to see his wife.

"Endorse this check, honey," he said happily. "This is our wedding anniversary. Tonight we do the town."

She endorsed the check. A part of the thirty bucks, just \$2.50, went for laundry. And that night the two "did the town." And there went the money for the watch.

But Friday the story got around Parkland Hospital. There were some people ready to help. Betty made arrangements to pay the watch out after Christmas.

After she got the watch, she confessed the whole thing to Don.

And then it turned out that Don had used part of the \$30 to buy a present for Betty.

There's Always More Than One Way Down

MARSHALL, TEX. — (AP) — There's more than one way to skin a cat — or retrieve him from a tree — or get the Marshall Fire Department on the case.

Fire Chief Carl Bechtold refused to call out the department to rescue a cat from a tree. So Willie Sanders, 19, climbed the tree to get the cat. But he was afraid to try the descent.

WEDDING TO COLLEGE SWEETHEART

PHOENIX — (AP) — Miss America has announced her engagement to her high school and college boyfriend who hated beauty contests.

Jacque Mercer, vivacious brunette from Litchfield Park, Ariz., breezed in 45 minutes late Friday night for the engagement party at which it was revealed she will marry Douglas Cook, 20-year-old art student, on July 4.

A big sign "We'll lose our independence on Independence Day" announced to the 400 guests that 19-year-old Jacque and her "squad" of five years standing planned to visit the preacher. She won't have to give up her Miss America title when she becomes a Mrs.

Her face, curves and acting won the acclaim of the Atlantic City judges in the big contest. Her measurements: five-foot four inches tall, 106 pounds, 34-inch bust, 22-inch waist, and 34-inch hips.

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Both Jacque, who will be 19 on Jan. 7, and her fiancé were honor students at Phoenix College last year. They first met when she was 14 and he 15.

Defeat Just About 3 to 1

Nearly complete, but unofficial returns yesterday showed that the county's \$150,000 bond issue election Tuesday was defeated by slightly less than three to one.

With one precinct still unreported, the vote yesterday stood at 170 for the proposal to build two exhibit buildings at Fair Park east of Pampa and 501 against it, County Clerk Charley That said.

The total of 671 votes cast was considered large for a bond issue election. Several observers said there was considerably more public interest in the defeated proposal than there was before Constitutional amendments election of Nov. 8.

Precinct 18, which votes at Webb School, is the only one still unreported. That said, it is thought likely that the voters went to Lefors to vote, as they have done several times in the past, and that no election was held there.

There are about 18 registered voters in Precinct 18.

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Attend big Christmas Dance tonight at McClellan Lake. Emmett Allen and his orchestra will play.

WEST TEXAS: Partly cloudy Sunday. Colder in the Panhandle Sunday afternoon. Highs on the coast. EAST TEXAS: Warmer Sunday, mostly cloudy and mild. Moderate easterly winds on the coast. OKLAHOMA: Increasing cloudiness Sunday, followed by light snow and colder in northwest and occasional light rain in east and south today. Sunset Monday 7:54 a.m. Sunrise Monday 5:23 p.m. —adv.



PUZZLE: FIND SANTA—Just a fringe of white whiskers and a ruddy nose are all that can be seen of Santa Claus when he stopped for a chat with his young admirers on the City Hall north lawn after his parade through downtown city streets Dec. 8. If you're still wondering where he is in this throng, look in the upper right corner a little to the right of the poinsettia painted on the backdrop.

Santa Brings Cheer To Branson House

By HENRY S. GORDON
Pampa News Staff

Inside the big Branson house a bright fire was burning merrily, its crackling chestnut logs adding just a touch of hominess and inner warmth. Augmenting the dancing flames was a brightly lighted Christmas tree in the far corner of the room, its pine needles and oozing pitch sending out an aroma that would please the senses of the most critical nostrils.

Outside, a light snow was falling gently, lending an unearthly beauty to the surrounding suburban area of the Big City. But it was not as cheerful as it could have been for the Branson family—or what was left of the Branson family. This would be the fifth Christmas without Daddy. Daddy would never again spend Christmas at home, so the telegram from the Navy Department said.

The telegram, like Daddy's picture, had been put in a frame and hung on the wall over the mantel just a little to the left of Daddy's picture. The picture, showing Daddy in his white naval uniform, was taken the day he was given command of the U. S. S. Barracuda, the submarine D-17.

Nine-year-old Bobby Branson stood beside his mother gazing into Daddy's face. He still retained a somewhat sharp recollection of his father in life, and the picture helped immensely to keep that memory alive. Neither Bobby nor his mother had to read that fatal telegram. They knew it by heart.

"THE NAVY DEPARTMENT REGRETS TO INFORM YOU THAT YOUR HUSBAND AND FATHER, RIEUT. COMMANDER RALPH D. BRANSON HAS BEEN LOST IN ACTION AT SEA AND IS PRESUMED DEAD."

Mrs. Branson vividly remembered how the fatal message had sent a knife-like feeling through her body and soul when she opened it on Nov. 19, 1944, just a month after the Barracuda went down off Kobe, sunk by a Nip destroyer that caught the submarine at night.

That was over five years ago. Now it was Christmas Eve, 1949. Only six-year-old Betty Branson, who had never seen her Daddy, was used to having Christmas with Mother, the twins, Bobby and Jed, and herself plus two Christmas gifts with Grandmother and Grandfather Branson. The grandparents this year were spending Christmas with Uncle Grant and his family so the Bransons would have the big brick house on the boulevard all to themselves.

At the moment Mother and Bobby were looking at Daddy, Betty and Jed were down with old Mrs. McLaughlin where they were helping her put the finishing touches to her tree and tasting of her delicious cookies. Mrs. McLaughlin was a poor old widow who had two sons one dead and the other working desperately to support his family and widowed mother.

Mother would be worried, Mrs. McLaughlin had no phone so they wouldn't be able to call Mother to tell her where they were and they knew that would make her worry more.

With grateful tears in her eyes for the presents they had brought her, the old lady thanked them both and planted a grandmotherly kiss on both pink little cheeks. Betty had given Mrs. McLaughlin a pair of foot warmers she had made, mostly with mother's help, and Jed presented her with a heavy woolen blanket he and Bobby bought with money they both saved in their Christmas Clubs.

As they left they bade the old lady a Merry Christmas and waded through the snow to the corner. The gleaming lights of the east bound bus could be seen slowly bearing down the street. The driver saw them and began slowing up.

Ten minutes later the two children were off the bus and warming their hands over the fireplace at home. "What was Daddy like," asked Betty as Jed twisted his pink hands in front of the flames.

"He was a swell Daddy and used to play hard with Bobby and me every time he came home from sea. We would play back pirate, and wrestle on the front room floor. Mother used to get awful cross, too, when we would have pillow fights. The feathers got all over the floor."

"That would make me cross, too, if I had to clean them up," Betty answered simply. Just then Mother came in, made the children go upstairs to wash and dress, so they could eat their night lunch and drink their hot chocolate.

The Branson family pulled up in front of the Gray Avenue Presbyterian Church as the chimes are ringing the clear cut notes of "Joy to the World," just before the service started. The children were always awed at the candlelight service and the everlasting Christmas story told by the Rev. Dr. James Belton, pastor of the church. The service was short, simple and impressive but Betty liked best that part of the service where the ushers came by with large lighted candles and lit the little candles in everybody's hand. During the candle-lighting the church was slowly darkened and the choir began its recessional with "Silent Night, Holy Night." When the choir was back in its compartment the church was dark save for the lighted candles. Then the entire congregation slowly filed out into the street still holding their lighted candles and singing the last verse of "Silent Night."

Church over, the Bransons were home and preparing for bed by 12:45. Betty, tired and sleepy, was the first to fall into dream-land. Jed, the last one up the stairs, checked the dying fire in the fireplace and turned off the Christmas Tree lights. Then it happened.

The noise was terrific in the dead of night, and yet it was only the tumbling of packages and the sound of someone stumbling on his knees. Bobby and Ted were awake instantly. "Mother flew into her dressing robe and Betty was already half way down the stairs." "Oh, oh, oh," said Betty as she looked into the parlor from the bottom step. Bobby and Jed were speechless. Mother came down the steps before her Christmas tree lighted in all its glory. There were additional packages that were not under the tree when they turned out the lights for the night.



PARADE—Above are shown two of the many floats entered in this year's Flight of Santa Claus parade through downtown Pampa Dec. 8. The float on the right is the one entered by the Business and Professional Women's Club that later was awarded one of the parade prizes.

Scrooge's London House Is Gone, but Bells Still Peal

By OLIVETTE MUSGRAVE

LONDON — It would be almost impossible to think of Christmas festivities without thinking of Charles Dickens, for the whole world knows that if any man possessed the knowledge of how to keep the Christmas spirit alive it was he. Widely read as all his books are from one year's end to the next, it is perhaps "A Christmas Carol" that most people think of first at this season, but few realize that the London the novelist loved and described so realistically still lives.

True, the beautiful house at 46 Lime Street, where Scrooge almost certainly lived, is no more; but the "neighboring clock" which struck the dread hour as he lay on his bed in a violent fit of trembling, waiting for Marley's ghost to appear, was that of St. Andrew's Church near by, and Christmas bells will ring out from there this year. The poulterer's shop mentioned in the same story must have been one of those in a Leadenhall housewife will be buying the family turkey there this year, just as thousands of women have done in the past.

But let us follow the example of Mr. Pickwick, Mr. Snodgrass and Mr. Winkle, and meet at Charing Cross to begin our tour of Dickens' London. The famous lane in the City where the Pickwick Club was founded, exists no more, but Lamb Street, where Bob Sawyer bought ham and wine for his party in Lamb Street. One of the finest examples of old galleried inns in Britain is The George at Southwark. It was here that Sam Weller first met Mr. Pickwick, and Londoners are glad that the place still stands intact and has been preserved as a national monument. Another famous hostelry that is still functioning is The Grapes Inn in Limehouse. This will be remembered as The Six Jolly Fellowship Porters which figured in many novels. This and Jack Straw's Castle in Hampstead were two other pubs also fortunate enough to avoid serious damage by the Germans.

David Copperfield was, as most readers know, Dickens himself, and on the actual site of the blacking factory where he worked the Forum cinema was built by a later generation of Londoners. Before the war this was a famous place of entertainment, but it was badly damaged by incendiary bombs in 1942. Hardly ever forgotten by visitors is Ye Old Cheshire Cheese

in Fleet Street. This famous old pub was immortalized in several of Dickens' books, and despite damage by fire bombs is flourishing much the same as ever today, and provides refreshment and companionship for a large community of newspaper workers and visitors alike. Not far away stands Greys Inn, where the novelist was once employed in a second-floor office; and the house at 48 Doughty Street, where he lived, presents an extremely cheerful appearance with its fresh green paint and beautifully kept interior. It was actually in this house that Dickens wrote "Oliver Twist" and "Nicholas Nickleby."

But, as Andre Maurois has said, Dickens' greatest preoccupation was with the slums of London, and the districts inhabited by what are called today the underprivileged classes. These districts, such as Bethnal Green, Islington and Pimlico have suffered very severely indeed from the bombing and the fires, but it is perhaps not too much to hope that they will be rebuilt in a way that would have delighted Dickens himself.

Staple Tint, an architectural gem set amid the squalor of Holborn has been demolished completely, but the St. James Theatre where Dickens produced a stage adaptation of "Sketches by Boz" in 1836, was left unharmed by the blitz and is still opening its doors every evening. The same can be said of the Strand Theatre, where—in 1837—a play called "Sam Weller" was produced by the novelist.

The Mansion House—again mentioned often by Dickens—still houses London's Lord Mayor during his year of office. Limehouse, where much of the story of "Our Mutual Friend" is laid, still remains the home of London's Chinese population, although the area was badly damaged by bombs. Game, rob all time, however, are the opium dens visited by hundreds of overseas holiday-makers before the war.

Bella Wilfer would not today recognize the "drug-flavored region" of Mincing Lane, or the "fourth house next to Dunster Court" where Rumty worked. The latter was almost destroyed, but Mincing Lane itself is still the headquarters of Britain's Tea Trade, for even flying bombs and rockets could never rob the Englishman of his national beverage!

Sydney Carton ("Tale of Two Cities") could still revive himself in King's Bench Walk in the Temple before turning into Striver's Chambers, but 10 Carlisle Street, Soho, where Dr. Manette had his lodgings, is no more. Clerkenwell, where Mr. Jarvis Lorry walked along the sunny streets on his way to dine, still survives, although it bears honorable scars suffered during the war.

But sufficient has been said to show lovers of Dickens that there is still plenty for them to see when they visit the teeming capital which the novelist so loved, and which only he could describe so vividly. Indeed, anyone who walks through the City on a dark night this Christmas with his thoughts in the past, and perhaps "A Christmas Carol" in his pocket, will likely find that the spirit of Marley's ghost will creep about him yet.

SAUSAGE BEATS KISSES — NUERNBERG — (AP) — When a woman lost a bet at a party here, she had the choice of kissing all the men present or eating three pounds of sausage. She chose the sausage.

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Girl Succumbs To Incurable Cancer

SWEETWATER — (AP) — A 16-year-old Sweetwater girl who won the hearts of thousands of Texans last May in her desire for watermelon died Thursday of incurable cancer.

She was Wanda Jean Fields. She was operated on for the disease last March. Doctors said she couldn't live for more than a few short weeks. Wanda fought hard for life, hoping to "live through another Christmas."

She celebrated her 16th birthday in bed only last Saturday. Wanda attracted nationwide attention in May when, healthy and full of life, she was seen at Jack Nacol, Houston produce dealer, heard of her request and flew three large melons here by Pioneer Airlines.

DAUGHTER TO WED — MADRID — (AP) — Generalissimo Francisco Franco has announced the engagement of his 23-year-old daughter, Carmen, to the 29-year-old Marquis de Villaverde, a doctor.

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11:00—First Baptist Church.
11:30—Music.
12:00—News, Sherman Olson.
12:45—Music.
1:00—Doris Mowell.
1:15—Music.
2:00—Christmas Carol, MBS.
2:30—Joviality, MBS.
3:00—Songs of Mystery, MBS.
3:30—Martin Kane, MBS.
4:00—The Shadow, MBS.
4:30—True Detective, MBS.
5:00—Joy, MBS.
5:30—Nick Carter, MBS.
6:00—The Falcon, MBS.
6:30—The Saints, MBS.
6:45—Johnny Desmond, MBS.
7:00—Music.
7:15—First Methodist Church.
7:30—Music.
7:45—Don Wright Chorus, MBS.
8:00—William Ross, MBS.
8:15—Dance Orchestra, MBS.
8:30—News, MBS.
8:45—Dance Orchestra.
11:30—News, MBS.
11:45—Sign Off.

MONDAY MORNING

6:30—Sign On.
7:00—Luna Patrol.
7:15—News, Deany Sullivan.
7:30—Luna Patrol.
7:45—Musical Clock.
8:00—John Daniel Quartet.
8:15—Musical Clock.
8:30—News, Ken Palmer.
8:45—Coy Palmer "The Sunshine Man."
9:00—News, Robert Hurley, MBS.
9:15—Toll Your Neighbor, MBS.
9:30—Tennessee Jubilee, MBS.
9:45—News, Deany Sullivan.
10:00—Ladies of the Night.
10:15—Three Quarter Time.
10:30—Night Beat.
10:45—Organists.
11:00—Behind the Story, MBS.
11:15—Bob Foose, MBS.
11:30—Lightcrust Doughboys, MBS.
11:45—Navy Program.
12:00—Luna Patrol, MBS.
12:15—B & D Chuckle Wagon, MBS.
12:30—Gabriel Heister Melibag, MBS.
12:45—Cedric Foster, MBS.
1:00—News, Ken Palmer.
1:15—Eddie Arnold Show, MBS.
1:30—Popular Highlights.
1:45—Ladies Fair, MBS.
2:00—News for a Day, MBS.
2:15—Bob Foose, MBS.

SUNDAY ON NETWORKS

SUNDAY FORUMS: NBC—12:30 p.m. Chicago Roundtable "Christmas Cards Are True"; NBC—1:30 American Forum "Feeding a Hungry World".

SUNDAY OTHER: NBC—2 One Man's Family; 3 Living 1949 "Little Girl Who Had Legs Like Frank"; CBS—5:30 Hollywood Calling; 6:30 Phil and Alice; 7:30 Theater Guild "Passing of Third Floor Back"; 8:30 American Album's Christmas; 8:45 Eddie Cantor; 9:30 Bob Crosby; CBS—10:30 You Are There "Crowning of Charlemagne"; 11:30 Ronald Colman in "The Sign of the Cross"; NBC—11:30 Piano Playhouse; 12:15 Betty Clark; 1:30 Opera Album; 4:30 Greatest Story "Prince of Peace" Part II; 4:30 Think Fast; 7:30 Stop the Music; 8:30 Chance of a Lifetime.



EARLY CHRISTMAS—It was a little early, about two weeks, when C. P. (Doc) Pursley, Pampa, (right) presented Miami's Mayor R. J. Bean a check for that community's first street light bill as a sort of Christmas present. "Doc," who lived 49 years at Miami which is still the home of his mother, told the City Commission there three months ago he would pay the first month's light bill if they would install street lights. They did. Pursley, local auto agent, had some good words for Mayor Bean: "He's going places and doing things for Miami. He's leading and the people are pushing right behind him."

As Usual, Texas Is Unusual, Especially at Christmas Time

(By The Associated Press)

Texas, the week before Christmas: The Lufkin weatherman thought real hard and gave his prediction that Lufkin would not have a White Christmas. But down on the Mexican border the Laredo Times ran a handy little column on treatment of frostbite.

Officers at Greenville jailed a man who was soliciting Christmas donations for himself from local churches. They got sore because they found him riding around in taxicabs and learned he only stayed in the best hotels. Cities over the state reported record mail deliveries and at Abilene postmen made house-to-house deliveries last Sunday to take care of the overflow.

State prison officials announced that all inmates would eat turkey and the trimmings on Christmas. At Dallas a veterinarian sent Christmas cards to his dog patients. It was at Dallas, too, that Postmaster J. Howard Payne announced that a kid in Ireland had written Santa for a cowboy suit. Three Dallas firms came thru with cowboy outfits and American Airlines plane flew 'em toward Ireland.

At El Paso, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan W. Morris said they weren't at all surprised that their little son, who is still not four-months-old, stands alone. Another son, Morgan Thomas, was walking at five months, they declared.

But at San Antonio, another parent, a father, was in trouble with the law. He pleaded guilty to allowing his son to roam the

Lourdes, Hope Of Sick, Expects Tourist Rush

LOURDES — (AP) — Lourdes, hope of the sick and a pilgrimage center of the Catholic world, expects a rich influx of about three million visitors during holy year.

Some will make brief stopover visits on their way to or from Rome in the little Pyrenees town, which was popularized for many by the book and movie "Song of Bernadette."

Others will come in big organized pilgrimages, bearing their sick and blind and maimed. These will stay a week or more, praying for one of the miraculous cures which have made the grotto famous.

At the height of the pilgrimage season — August and September — as many as 80,000 people are expected to be sleeping in the town.

Few will go home without some souvenirs for themselves and their friends.

60,000,000 MEDALS SOLD

Mayor George Duperris says some 60,000,000 medals were sold in the 700 religious stores of 1000 rosaries and 900,000 plaster statues. In that year alone, the three banks of Lourdes changed 800,000,000 francs worth of foreign currency (about \$2,300,000) for foreign pilgrims.

The annual turnover of business is estimated at something like 7,000,000,000 francs (about \$200 million).

Since the 4-year-old peasant girl Bernadette Soubirous first saw apparitions of the Virgin Mary while gathering firewood near the grotto in 1858, the little town of Lourdes has boomed to more than 10 times its former size.

Its population of 2,000 stonecutters and tilemakers was swelled to 16,000. Lourdes now has 400 hotels and boardinghouses, more than a quarter of them named after saints of the church. Seven hundred stores get a livelihood through the sale of religious objects.

WIDOW KEEPS STORE

One of the leading stores is kept by frail, white-haired Madame Maria Soubirous, widow of Claus Soubirous, the saint's brother. At 79, she still sits daily at the cashier's desk, keeping a keen eye on six busy salesgirls.

Her store enjoys a certain advantage over competitors since it has been built onto the picturesque old mill where the saint's family used to live. Pilgrims wishing to visit the Soubirous family home must pass her well-stocked counters on entering or leaving.

Although she never met the saint, who had entered a convent at the time of her marriage to Bernadette's brother, Mme. Soubirous talks of her with warmth.

"Everyone who comes here is deeply touched even the unbelievers," she declares.

BIGGEST MOMENT TOLD

At the other end of town, near the station, two nieces of the saint keep another store — Madame Bernadette Soubirous Camps and Mlle. Louise Soubirous. They talk to visitors about the biggest moment of their lives, when they made a pilgrimage to Rome to witness the ceremonies at which their aunt was canonized.

Certain developments connected with the commercial growth of Lourdes recently drew severe condemnation from Monsignor Pierre Theas, the bishop of Tarbes and Lourdes.

The reputation of Lourdes was being harmed, he roundly declared, by the "not very Catholic" means of certain shopkeepers in attempting to increase their business turnover.

He attacked particularly the practice of selling soap, candy and eau-de-cologne which purported to be made from the water which flows from the rock by the holy grotto.

He advised those who wanted miraculous water to take from "the pure, authentic and beneficent source" where it was free.

Miami Church Gives Cantata

MIAMI — (Special) — Both the Methodist and First Christian churches dismissed their services Sunday evening to attend the Christmas cantata, "The Gift Supreme," presented by the choir of the First Baptist Church. A capacity crowd was in attendance.

Mrs. C. T. Locke was director of the cantata. Miss Juana I. Haynes presided at the organ and Mrs. W. F. Locke read the accompanying narrative. Those singing special arrangements were Messrs. Dwight L. Baker and Robert Howard, Misses Vivian Gentry and Joan McCullough, and Messrs. Dwight Baker, Dare Locke, Lloyd Wilkens, Robert Howard and L. A. Maddox, Jr.

Others singing in the choir were Messrs. J. O. Duniven, R. A. Flowers, S. W. Corbin, Ed Haynes, R. B. Haynes, Bill Meador, Mmes. R. A. Flowers, R. B. Gordon, M. O. Pennington, R. B. Haynes, Ed Schmidt, Sid Talley, and Miss Doris Lafin.

Could Be Pop Had Hand in This Letter

ATHENS — (AP) — The Athens Review wonders if daddy didn't help out a bit on this Santa Claus letter received by the newspaper:

"Dear Santa Claus, I have been a good little girl and won't be selfish in asking something just for me. I live in Brownsboro and want you to bring us a water system. We need it very much.

"Santa, if you can't do this by yourself, get Congress to help you. They can do anything. Your little girl, Susie."

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Cantata Given At McLean

McLEAN — (Special) — The choir of the McLean Methodist Church presented a special cantata, entitled "The Babe of Bethlehem," Sunday evening at the church to a capacity audience.

The cantata featured special numbers by solos, duets, and choruses, including: "The Christmas Bells," choir; "On Thee We Wait," bass solo; "O Holy Night," women's chorus; "There Were Shepherds," men's chorus and a choir; "The Glory Song," soprano and alto duet.

Director of the choir is Mrs. Margaret Coleman and organist is Dicky Sligar.

Choir personnel are Mrs. Wheeler Carter, Mrs. Victor Clisset, Mrs. Patty Denton, Miss Dora Mae Bailey, Mrs. W. B. Hicks, Mrs. J. L. Hess, Miss Grace

Mobette Lions Hear Young Singer

MOBETTIE — (Special) — The Lions Club met in regular session Tuesday night. Main feature on the program was three songs sung by Nellie Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Johnson, Mrs. C. R. Brown was accompanist.

Guests present were Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Dunaway and Coleman Walton. There were 11 members present. The Mmes. H. Atkins and C. Nixon served dinner.

Wilson's Mrs. Bill E. Day, S. A. Cousins, Haydn Bodenhamer, Homer Wilson.

Bill E. Day, Mrs. S. A. Cousins, Mrs. Gerald Bissell, Mrs. E. D. Patterson, Bethie Mantoob, Mrs. Walter Bailey, Mrs. Tommy Hulsey, Dortha Chase, James Clisset, Tommy Hulsey, J. L. Hess, and Bill Miller.

Jack Carson Now Turned Rancher

HOLLYWOOD — (AP) — Jack Carson's 60-acre ranch, he says, is the direct result of a simple little cowgirl outfit he bought for his daughter, 4.

The costume led to a pony for the girl and a horse for Carson's son, 8. Then Carson now has cows, riding horses, turkeys and chickens. And he raises alfalfa, to help feed the stock.

Patrol Hopes to Cut Expected Death Toll

AUSTIN — (AP) — The Texas Department of Public Safety has planned to mass its forces to try to save 80 persons from death. That is the toll department officials predict traffic accidents will claim over the Yule holiday period.

111 Screen Writers Are Back at Work

HOLLYWOOD — (AP) — Christmas is brighter this year for 111 screen writers who are now back at work. The Screen Writers Guild has reported that employ-



Merry Christmas

May these age-old blessings — and all they mean — be yours this season.
May good cheer, good health and happiness wait upon you.
May the joy of giving and receiving be yours to the fullest extent.
With these sentiments, the management and employees of the Pampa theatres unite in wishing all of you . . .
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Our Christmas Gift To You:



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Christmas GREETINGS

Christmas is the time of the year when people all over the world rejoice with their family and friends. May this Christmas prove to be a joyous one and the New Year bring an abundance of good health and prosperity to all.

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Dining Table Yule Tree Adds Gaiety

NEW YORK — (NEA) — If a crowded house limits your sphere for Christmas decorating, put a miniature tree on your dining table. There it will spread Yuletide cheer over every meal and bring members of a family to a favorite gathering spot when gift packages are opened.

From famed floral designer Benny Hubbard comes help in making in miniature a dazzling tree. He ornaments miniatures—some are no taller than 30 inches—with imported bejeweled novelties, says you can also make your tree twinkle like a sequin-studded evening gown by using costume jewelry or shiny five-and-dime store baubles.

Space these twinklers closely, says Hubbard, when you hang ornaments to the branches of your tree of fir, balsam or pine. Our expert explains that the way to turn a skimpy bough of evergreen into a tapering and full-spreading little tree is to add more branches. He builds up a tree by mounting many small evergreen branches into a base of foam rubber. This new two-inch-thick latex product, which you can also use and cut to whatever size needed, comes in individual sheets. It may be used in cushion fashion for sticking in sharply whittled evergreen branches.

What's left of that sheet of foam rubber may be used to make a pair of tree-hanking Christmas candelabra. Mr. Hubbard cuts big Christmas stars out of foam rubber and edges the white outlines of these with red ribbon. You can stick several large red candles into these "candelabra bases" of foam rubber, says the expert, if each candle is shaved down to a fine point. Short spikes of evergreen may also be stuck in.

Looking for a new idea in wreaths? Copy Mr. Hubbard's trick of decorating one with fresh fruit which is as good to look at as it is to eat. String cranberries on wire to make a big bowknot. Spear lemons with hairpins and fasten these to the wreath for color effects. In between, stick in clusters of grapes, wired on with hairpins. English walnuts individually wrapped with squares of orange-colored cellophane may also be wired on.

There Was Time When Christmas Was Unmerry

AP Newsfeatures
Merry Christmas has not always been merry in American history. Unmerry times started very early. The Pilgrims landed at Plymouth four days before Christmas 1620. Christmas day found them between the Mayflower and the cold, hostile shore. Most of them were still living on the ship. And they didn't believe in celebrating Christmas anyway.

Washington's ragged troops were crossing the icy Delaware in the dark early morning hours of Christmas 1776. They defeated the Hessians at Trenton next day.

Christmas 1786 found unrest in New England. Shay's rebellion flared that day. The rebels had a rough time.

In 1837, Col. Zachary Taylor and his troops were down in Florida fighting the Seminole War. Christmas day found them fighting and defeating the Indians at Lake Okechobee.

The Mexican War also saw Christmas day action when Col. Doniphan and 450 volunteers defeated 1,100 Mexicans at Brazito in 1846.

The national Capital had trouble the Christmas of 1851 when the Library of Congress and part of the Capitol burned.

Nine years later on Christmas, 1860, South Carolina issued its declaration of independence, the spark that made the Civil War inevitable.

One of the early railroad strikes, that of 1887, started Christmas day. Some 20,000 employees of the Reading Railroad walked out.

The surrender of Hong Kong on Christmas 1941 was not part of American history, but Americans watched the event anxiously. It was one step in the advance of the Japanese which came after the Pearl Harbor attack in 1941.

One of the classic Christmases of the unmerry type will long be remembered by the men defending Bastogne in 1944. The Battle of the Bulge and the fight for the defense of the little town were at a climax. It was just two days later that the isolated Bastogne garrison was relieved. That Christmas day found the boys deep in the fighting.

MAKE CHRISTMAS CANDLES
Christmas candles of attractive forms can be made from shavings of old candle butts.
Left over candles are saved throughout the year. The wax is shaved from the wick, melted and poured into molds, with a piece of thick cotton twine, of the type used by butchers, used for a wick. The wick is placed in the center of the wax as it is ready to set.

Such candles can be made in cup-cake pans and other receptacles.



J. C. DANIELS BRINGS YOU CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



It is Christmas in the mansion,
Yule-log fires and silken frocks;
It is Christmas in the cottage,
Mother's filling little socks.

It is Christmas on the highway,
In the thronging, busy mart;
But the dearest, truest Christmas
Is the Christmas in the heart.

You And The Year Ahead HAVE FAITH IN AMERICA

Open your eyes and look at America! No, don't look at her with clouds of pessimism in your eyes. Don't grumble about the latest bill of Congress and claim that government is bad; don't hold a grudge against that successful competitor and believe that all other businessmen are crooked; don't let your feelings ache over a small hurt which suggests that people may have lost all heart and soul. Don't pick at correctible flaws and claim that America has seen her day. . . . that she is on her way to doom! Brush that pessimism away and look. Why, THIS IS America; more glorious, more promising, more inspiring than any country on earth!

We are standing on a rock of Eternity, looking at Any City. Any City is any place in the land. We look at it from the past and the present; we project its future; and this is what we see. Any City in this year of 1950 holds forth more hope than the world has ever known before. There is hope in its land, in its industry, yes, even in its relations with other peoples. There is hope in its history and in its outlook. But, most important, there is more hope in the all-over and unprejudiced picture of Any City, U. S. A., than there has ever been for any other place in the whole world.

You say, capital accusing labor, labor accusing management, the lessening of ideals and principles, a fear that the world has seen her best days. What are these when you sum them up? They are the foolish fears of the weak, the excuses of the lazy. America's hope lies with neither the lazy nor the weak. America's hope lies with you. . . . in people like you who have made her what she is. . . . in people who have built Any City through their working faith in America. Take a good look at her once more, and you, too, will Have Faith in America!

HAPPY NEW YEAR. . .
with kindest of personal regards

J. C. Daniels
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Our Wish For You This Christmas Tide

The season of glad cheer and good fellowship is with us once again—and everywhere we go we see as well as hear and feel this wonderful spirit! We see it in the gaily adorned shop windows . . . the colorfully lighted trees . . . and on the smiling faces of the people about us. We hear it in the well-wishing greetings of friend to friend . . . stranger to stranger . . . in the church bells resounding magnificently through our community. We feel it in our every activity—be it home or business. And we extend it also in our own sincere heartfelt wishes to you our friends and patrons—that this may be a truly memorable Christmas and a happy, happy New Year!

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THE CHRISTMAS STORY

The Christmas Tree And Why It Is Always Green

Winter was coming, and the birds had flown far to the south, where the air was warm and they could find berries to eat. One little bird had broken its wing and could not fly with the others. It was alone in the cold world of frost and snow. The forest looked warm, and it made its way to the trees as well as it could, to ask for help.

First it came to a birch tree. "Beautiful birch trees," it said, "my wing is broken, and my friends have flown away. May I live among your branches 'till they come back to me?"

"No, indeed," answered the birch tree, drawing her fair green leaves away. "We of the great forest have our own birds to help. I can do nothing for you."

"The birch is not very strong," said the little bird to itself, "and it might be that she could not hold me easily. I will ask the oak." So the bird said, "Great oak-tree, you are so strong, will you not let me live on your boughs 'till my friends come back in the springtime?"

"In the springtime!" cried the oak. "That is a long way off. How do I know what you might do in all that time? Birds are always looking for something to eat, and you might even eat up some of my acorns."

"It may be that the willow will be kind to me," thought the bird, and it said, "Gentle willow, my wing is broken, and I could not fly to the south with the other birds. May I live on your branches 'till the springtime?"

The willow did not look gentle then, for she drew herself up proudly and said, "Indeed, I do not know you, and we willows never talk to people whom we do not know. Very likely there are trees somewhere that will take in strange birds. Leave me at once."

The poor little bird did not know what to do. Its wing was not yet strong, but it began to fly away as well as it could. Before it had gone far, a voice was heard. "Little bird," it said, "where are you going?"

"Indeed, I do not know," answered the bird sadly. "I am very cold."

"Come right here, then," said the friendly spruce tree, for it was her voice that had called. "You shall live on my warmest branch all winter if you choose."

"Will you really let me?" asked the little bird eagerly.

"Indeed, I will," answered the kind-hearted spruce tree. "If your friends have flown away, it is time for the trees to help you. Here is the branch where my leaves are thickest and softest."

"My branches are not very thick," said the friendly pine tree, "but I am big and strong, and I can keep the north wind from you and the spruce."

"I can help too," said a little juniper tree. "I can give you berries all winter long, and every bird knows that juniper berries are good."

So the spruce gave the lonely little bird a home, the pine kept the cold north wind away from it, and the juniper gave it berries to eat.

The other trees looked on and talked together wisely.

"I would not have strange birds on my boughs," said the birch.

"I shall not give my acorns away for any one," said the oak.

"I never have anything to do with strangers," said the willow and the three trees drew their leaves closely about them.

In the morning all those shining green leaves lay on the ground, for a cold north wind had come in the night, and every leaf that it touched fell from the tree.

"May I touch every leaf in the forest?" asked the wind in its frolic.

"No," said the frost king. "The trees that have been kind to the little bird with the broken wing may keep their leaves."

This is why the leaves of the spruce, the pine, and the juniper are always green.

Why Do We Give Christmas Presents?

In all the hustle and bustle, rattle and rustle of Christmas and Christmas packages, have you ever wondered why people give one another Christmas presents? The reason for it all goes way back to the Baby Jesus.

THE MAGI

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, there came Magi from the East to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newly born King of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the East and have come to worship him."

But when the King Herod heard this, he was troubled, and so was all Jerusalem with him. And gathering together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. And they said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for thus it is written through the prophet,

And thou, Bethlehem, of the land of Juda,
art by no means least among the prince of Juda;
For from thee shall come forth a leader,
who shall rule my people in Israel."

Then Herod summoned the Magi secretly, and carefully ascertained from them the time when the star had appeared to them. And sending them to Bethlehem, he said, "Go and make careful inquiry concerning the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and worship him."

Now, they, having heard the king, went their way. And behold, the star that they had seen in the East before them, until it came and stood over the place where the child was. And when they saw the star they rejoiced exceedingly. And entering the house, they found the child with Mary his mother, and falling down they worshipped him. And opening their treasures they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

And being warned in a dream not to return by Herod—they went back to their own country by another way.

ST. MATTHEW 1-12.



IF I WERE SANTA'S LITTLE BOY

A poem by Mary Carolyn Davies

If I were Santa's little boy
If there's a family
Of Santa Clauses in the sky
Or where their home may be,
And I'd shout
While frightened heads of boys stuck out
From open windows, in surprise,
With tousled hair and sleepy eyes,
I'd shout out loudly so that they
Could hear each single word I'd say.
"Hey Dasher, Dancer!
Faster, Prancer!
Run as hard now as you can, sir
Stop your balking
When I'm talking!
We must fill each Christmas stocking
In a hundred million places
Dasher, Dancer, mind your paces!
Don't you dare break your traces!"
Then I'd shake the reins and shout,
To milkmen that might be about,
"Clear the way for Santa's sleigh
Because I'm driving it today."

Dear Santa, Please Don't Bring Me . . .

By CYNTHIA LOWRY

Dear Mr. Claus:

I've been an awfully good girl all year, as you know, and I suppose you are planning to reward me with all kinds of wonderful presents come the big night.

You are an over-worked fellow, Mr. Claus, and I want to save you all the effort and space possible, so if you have me pencilled in for any of the things I'll list, put them in a separate pile and leave them at the North Pole. Next year when you have time, send them to your favorite charity. It's not that I'm ungrateful, it's just that I have left over from last Christmas and still in their original boxes, most of the items.

For instance, Mr. Claus, I don't want any more cute glass or ceramic animals, either for lapel pins or to put in the corner cabinet. The former are too perishable and the latter too dust-catching. Also I don't want any more perfume flasks for my purse. I have nine floating around my top bureau drawer now.

I know that odd-type slippers come in a handy price category, but don't bother to carry them to me. The last year's haul resulted in none which matched existing robes and I never could get the leather pair flexible enough so they didn't produce blisters.

No monogrammed handkerchief cases, stocking cases, coasters, napkins or cocktail trays, please. They are cute in the box, but we just never get around to using them, and you know how space-short one is these days. Non-monogrammed, of course, can in turn be give away as birthday gifts and bridge prizes during the year.

I don't need a big leather jewel case, Mr. Claus. I have one and, for lack of jewels, we keep buttons in it. My extra pair of earrings is kept in evidence on my dressing table. Also I don't want any cute gadgets for car or kitchen. I never could make the inside-the-car thermometer stick on the dashboard, and that oversize eyedropper for basting (I received four last year) was cute but absolutely impossible to wash without special equipment.

One shouldn't complain about personal gifts, but you apparently have my sizes all mixed up. Last year I received six slippers, none of which fit me, and a dozen pairs of stockings, all too small and too short. Of course, they all made nice gifts to someone else, but really I'd rather buy them myself.

If you were thinking about books, Mr. Claus, please stick to cookbooks and detective stories. Last year you brought me a whole raft of stuff about nuclear fission and science conquering disease, and they upset me for months. Also, please steer clear of those books written by wives of men who go to faraway places to live.

I have enough bedjackets to be an invalid for a year, and we don't need any table cigarette lighters because we've found that it is impossible to keep lighter fluid in the house. Also don't send me any earrings that clip on, because they always hurt my ears.

But most of all, Santa, don't send me any live pets—and the range is from canaries to Russian wolfhounds—or any devices which might make me feel the necessity of working. I don't want a washing machine, a vacuum cleaner, or a lawn mower. Right now I'm hiring people to do those chores and I don't want to change the situation.

Also don't send me tennis, tennis rackets, skates, table-tennis sets, or any other items which might appeal to my sporting blood. I fracture easy and enjoy lounging while other people acquire muscles.

What is it I want? Well, I love those little paper gift certificates that are so light to carry. And I adore checks drawn on banks. And think of the weight you'll save, not to mention all the effort of thinking up something else.

Santa Must Get Lump in Throat

NEW YORK (AP)—Ever wonder if Santa Claus gets a lump in his throat at some little child's hopeless prayer? So does Postmaster Albert Goldman.

The lumps come fast for him these days. He's eavesdropping on Santa.

Goldman has nearly 5,000 letters addressed to Santa. They find their way each year to his big general Postoffice in New York City.

Inside each letter is a hope or a prayer. When there's nobody else to breath it to, kids all over the world tell it to Santa.

There's a laugh in some. Nancy over in Brooklyn loves horses. She asked for a female gelding—"all black." But only male horses are gelded.

There are tears, too.

The kids from Germany, France and England who write to Santa at New York, ask for chocolate or food. In their world, for a long time, toys have had a low priority.

Louis, a Manhattan seven-year-old knows Santa "can do anything." So he wrote:

"Please bring me my mother. She went out and left three of us with my father. He is going to put us in a home and my baby brother is sick. I like toys but I like my mother best."

Goldman has 3,600 toys set aside already to take care of the neediest cases. Postal employees are chipping in for more. The public always helps, too.

But, he wonders, what can you do for Louis, who only wants his mother back?

Accidents cause 42 times as many deaths among U. S. children as does infantile paralysis.

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WARREN'S WARMUP

By Warren Hesse—News Sports Editor

TODAY'S COLUMN IS DEVOTED TO SOME SELDOM READ CHRISTMAS POEMS IN KEEPING WITH THE SPIRIT OF THE DAY. MAY YOU ALL HAVE A JOYOUS DAY TODAY, AND, AS J. WADE DUNCAN ALWAYS SAYS: "WHEN YOU READ THIS, GO TO CHURCH; YOU'LL FEEL BETTER THE REST OF THE DAY."

No ornament on the tree
Is quite so adorning
As the smile in a child's eyes
Made happy Christmas morning.

Bright Star
I watched that lone star shining,
Clear and bright, high in the east,
And thought of the wee babe
Sleeping
In the manger of the beast.

I heard the carols ringing
Soft and sweet and clear,
Telling the gladsome story
Of this joyous time of year.

I was enthralled by the music
The star and story of HIS birth,
And solemnly repeated
"Peace and good will on earth."

Good will to countries and to men,
And peace to all of them,
Guide now and lead our wise men
Bright star of Bethlehem!

—Eva Lawton McKee

Remembering And Forgetting
Christmas is remembering
The friends we have not seen all year.

Christmas is forgetting self and helping
Others in want of cheer.

Christmas is remembering a child
Whose smile repays each deed.

Christmas is forgetting that there's
Such a thing as hate or greed.

Remembering and forgetting
We can help to do our part
To make this blessed season
Bring joy to every heart.

Christmas Memories
How well we remember
The years that have passed,
The memories of Christmas
That always will last.

The children's excitement
On each Christmas dawn
As they creep into the parlor,
With faces that shone,
To see what old Santa
Had left in the night.

For you see they believed,
And, of course, they were right.

The children have grown,
We're grandparents now,
But that makes no difference,
No matter, no-how.

We still have the tree,
With the presents all set,
And they know that old Santa
Will never forget.

The memories get dearer
The older we grow,
For God has been good;
Our prayers tell Him so.

He'll Never Grow Old
This is dad's happiest day
Of the year — he's giving junior
An electric train.

Christmas Day Is Best
Christmas day means more to man
Than any of the rest!

The birthday of the Holy Babe
Of Bethlehem brings zest
And tenderness to every one
Who holds within his breast
A spark of His divinity—
Yes, Christmas day is best!

—Clara Elizabeth Otto.

Baby's First Christmas
It's all so very new to her...
Our little dear,
Because this Christmas time
She is
But half a year.

If she could talk, what would
she say
About the tree,
The twinkling lights, the ornaments
That she can see...
The gifts that Santa brings to her

From far and near...
But rattles seem to count the most
At half a year!

—Hilda Butler Farr

Lament
If the people who make Christmas
seals
Had to use or lick 'em,
Perhaps they would decide to use
use

A little bit more stickum.
—Rachel O'Boyle.

Star Of The East
The wise men saw
And followed from afar
The blessed light
Of Bethlehem's holy star.

A weary, restless world
In need of spiritual guiding
Will find that very star
Within the heavens abiding.

—Lucille Veneklasen.

Christmas Prayer
Dear little mother under the sod
These many, many years,
Spending Christmas there with
God,
Away from sorrow and tears.

Look down upon this earth, I
pray,
Where men have forgotten love,
Fill their hearts with happiness
And turn them back to God.

—Daphnis

Letter To Santa
I know there isn't any Santa—
Learned that long ago;
Still it's fun to make believe
That there is—and so
I'll sit right down and write
to him

The way I used to do
And tell him I've been O, so
good.

And please, to bring me you,
—Alice Wiegref.

Sudden Thought
You, know, I'll always feel
better spreading my cheer
through the entire year and not just on
December 25.

No Sweeter Sight
There is no sweeter sight to see
Than this, our lighted Christmas
tree.

A forest nymph on holiday,
Living a dream, inspired, and
gay.

Brightly jewelled, Christmas-clad
In all the ornaments we had,
The tree shines lovely in the
night.

The children say, no sweeter
sight.

No sweeter sight, except, I know,
Their own eyes as they watch
its glow.

—Bernice Leland.

Thought For The Day
No Christmas tree expensively
decked for show... Can compare
in beauty with one decked by
God with snow.

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GOOD PROVIDER—Bob Lemon feeds the family with his home run club. Six circuit clouts at home add up to as many baskets of groceries, and the Indians' pitcher collects at a Cleveland store. The missus and 15-months-old Jeff lend a hand.

Mel Parnell Officially Top Hurler in American League

CHICAGO (AP)—Mel Parnell, Boston's slender southpaw, officially became the American League's No. 1 pitcher for 1949 today.

The six-foot, 27-year-old New Orleans product swept the boards with the most victories (25) earned run average (2.78) and completed games (27).

In working 39 contests, Parnell was nipped for only seven losses. He topped a bumper crop of five 20-or-more game winners for the season, including Ellis Kinder, Boston (23-6); Bob Lemon, Cleveland (22-10); Vic Raschi, New York (21-10); and Rookie Alex Kellner, Philadelphia (20-12).

Twirling his second full season for the Red Sox — he posted 15-8 in 1948 after being farmed to Louisville of the American Association in 1947 — Parnell beat out Detroit's Virgil (Fire) Trucks in the important ER department 2.78 to 2.81. Third place in this column went to Lemon with 2.99. These three were the only hurlers to average less than three runs per nine inning game.

Parnell's mark of 27 complete games was five better than Detroit's Hal Newhouser and Lemon, who booked 22 apiece.

California Fives Help Regain Coast's Prestige

NEW YORK (AP)—UCLA and Southern California regained some measure of prestige for Pacific Coast college basketball Friday night.

In contrast to Tuesday night when Pacific Coast quintets lost eight of nine inter-sectional contests, UCLA and USC whipped two Midwestern powers, Illinois and DePaul.

UCLA, on its way East, eked out a 65-63 victory over Illinois at Champaign, Ill. George Starnich's field goal in the last five seconds provided the winning margin and inflicted the Illini's second defeat in seven games.

Southern California, on its way home from an Eastern invasion, upset DePaul, 57-52, in the feature of the final 129-second game at Chicago Stadium. Northwestern drubbed Michigan State, 68-46, in the opener.

USC and DePaul discarded the national "two-minute" rule that has caused much discussion and played the final 129-second with a choice of waiving the free throw on a foul and taking the ball out of bounds. USC led by 54-52 entering the last two minutes.

Kentucky, beaten only by St. Johns of Brooklyn, demonstrated they are constantly improving. The NCAA champs whipped Purdue, 60-55, before 10,000 at Lafayette, Ind. by piling up a 34-17 halftime lead, then survived Purdue's closing rally.

Missouri again beat Southern Methodist in their game at Dallas, 63-42, making it Missouri's fifth straight victory and SMU's seventh straight defeat.

Bradley won an easy 83-51 triumph over Fresno (Calif) State and Kansas enjoyed a similar romp against Springfield, Mass., 63-43.

In other games Ohio State walked California, 78-67. West Virginia drubbed Fordham, 61-37. Washington nipped Stanford, 62-56. Wyoming beat Washington State, 43-37, and Nebraska whipped Idaho, 66-45.

Sports Round-Up

By HUGH FULLERTON, JR.

NEW YORK (AP)—A brief item on an inside page of the Sporting News finally reveals that the college baseball coaches failed to persuade the major leagues to rescind Commissioner Chandler's ukase against combining coaching and scouting jobs.

That business, it seems, wasn't on the agenda for the winter meetings only a way wavy Chandler "indicated he would veto it." The catch is that most college jobs pay so little that the baseball coach either has to help with football or find other part-time employment.

So the guys who are established as scouts are finding it necessary to quit teaching the youngsters.

The collegians have asked that the ban be modified so that a coach who also is a scout be forbidden to sign any players on his own team.

Probably they'd go even farther, but they still want the chance to make a buck. And apparently this indirect "no" is their only reply from organized baseball.

SEASON'S GREETINGS
Since it isn't possible to send individual greetings to all the grand guys who have helped compile this column during the past year, we'll take this occasion to wish them all a perfect day at the plate on Christmas — and may they never be tackled behind the line in 1950.

Whitehead, Ex-Major League Hurler, Jailed

SHERMAN (AP)—John Whitehead, 40, one-time pitching star of the Chicago White Sox, has been indicted by the Grayson County grand jury on a charge of aggravated assault on a nine-year-old Sherman girl.

County attorney Ralph Elliott said the offense allegedly occurred Dec. 15.

The girl has been removed from the custody of her mother by a court order and placed with her grandparents, who live outside Grayson County.

It's fun! It's glad cheer!
It's Christmas that comes but once a year!

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Wichita Falls Coyotes Top Austin For Schoolboy AA Championship

All-State End, Jerry Fouts, Leads Attack

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF

FORT WORTH (AP)—Wichita Falls held its second state Schoolboy football championship in eight years today, finishing an unbeaten march to the Class AA title with a 14-13 victory over Austin.

The Coyotes shocked the Maroons with two touchdowns in the first half here Friday and held on grimly as Austin put on a Garrison finish that almost brought an upset.

A crowd of 17,000 saw Jerry Fouts, versatile wingman, and Bill Waggoner, a driving, passing, kicking backfielder, team up to keep Wichita Falls on the glory road. It was Fouts who took a pass from Waggoner that covered 55 yards and a touchdown in the first quarter and it was Fouts who whipped down to the Austin five-yard line with a 10-yard end-around burst to set up the second score. And it was Fouts who kicked both extra points — the real margin of victory.

Austin had the Wichita Falls supporters scared stiff in the final period when, with little Bobby Warren carrying the mail, the Maroons trampled the Coyotes for one touchdown and probably missed another only because of an off-side penalty.

Then, when Wichita Falls had gotten out of the hole, two more Austin penalties kept the Coyotes in possession of the ball until time ran out.

Warren started the game but got into only three plays before having to leave with a knee injury. It was late in the third period when he was able to return. When he did Austin caught fire. Carrying the ball nine times, Warren rolled up 66 yards and scored one touchdown.

The Coyotes got their first touchdown on a 65-yard surge, the payoff being the Waggoner pass to Fouts with the latter catching the ball on the Austin 20 and running unhindered to the score. Fouts converted.

Austin drove to a touchdown as soon as it got the ball on the kickoff, little Johnny Salyer taking it back to the Wichita Falls 49. The score came on a 21-yard pass from Morris Nelson to Bobby Frederick in the end zone. But Bob Smith missed the conversion.

Wichita Falls retaliated with a 63-yard touchdown drive as soon as it had the pigskin again. Waggoner made it on a burst over left guard from the Austin five, where Fouts had taken it on his end-around dash. Again Fouts kicked the extra point.

Austin started moving toward his second touchdown on the last play of the third period. The Maroons had the ball on their seven. They romped and swarmed the 33 yards in just 13 plays. This time Smith converted.

Wichita Falls almost lost the game on the first play after the kickoff. Tommy Fields fumbled and Stan Studer recovered on the Wichita Falls 34. The Maroons piled down to the 12 but here the Coyotes braced. Warren lost a yard in a line try and when Salyer passed to Nelson on the three the Maroons were offside and drew a five-yard penalty.

On fourth down Smith was back on the 28-yard line apparently preparing to try for a field goal, but he passed the ball to Frederick. The latter, however, was knocked down on the 11 by a flock of Coyotes, the ball went over and thus there went Austin's last chance.

Wichita Falls rolled up 193 yards on the ground, with Billy Bookout the leading ball-carrier with 85 yards, and passed for 87. Austin gained 202 running and 30 passing.

Backward Glance at Texas' Sports Year

By WILBUR MARTIN Associated Press Staff

A backward glance at the highlight of Texas 1949 sports year: Baylor, Rice and Arkansas ended in a three-way deadlock for the Southwest Conference basketball championship. Another squabble popped up among touring pros at the Rio Grande Valley Open Golf tournament. Texas' crack track team almost cracked up at the Southwestern Exposition meet in Fort Worth. Charley Parker was one of the Steer aces sidelined by a pulled muscle.

Dallas' high-priced Eagles started to make a runaway of the Texas league chase, ended watching four other clubs run away and leave them out of the Shaugnessy playoff. The Rio Grande League boosted the state's professional baseball leagues to six. Joe Kracher, Kilgore's clowning manager, received a serious honor: a silver bat for winning minor league baseball's batting championship in 1948.

Zoe Ann Olsen came back from a nasty tumble to turn and twist her way to another springboard diving championship in the Women's National AAU swimming meet at San Antonio and Hawaii's swimmers practically swam away with the meet.

Mose Sims staged a national all-star high school football game at Corpus Christi. Southern Methodist, Texas and Rice started the football season in thunderous fashion. Southern Methodist edged it that way, despite four losses and a tie. It almost beat mighty Notre Dame.

Kyle Rote ran 100 yards for a touchdown against Texas A&M, but the feat was overshadowed by the Aggies' sensational performance in gaining a 27-27 tie, though against Notre Dame. scoring three touchdowns.

Donk Walker closed his collegiate football career on the bench and in civilian clothes. The flu and a leg injury forced Walker to miss much action, but didn't dim his legendary fame.

Ray Morrison turned the lovely Austin College Kangaroos into a razzle-dazzle outfit that won more games than it lost. and Brad Rowland sparked a high-scoring McMurry eleven that won the Texas Conference Championship for the second straight year. The Gulf Coast Conference showed up among Texas' football circuits. This is the league formed by four schools that dropped out of the Lone Star Conference.

Lubbock, touted as the best high school team to come out of West Texas in years, tumbled in the first round of the Texas Interscholastic League's playoff for class AA teams.

Texas Tech won the Border Conference championship a gain and again rejected a bid to act as host team in the Sun Bowl and speaking of bowls, the Cotton Bowl came up with one of the weakest attractions in its history — a three beaten North Carolina team vs. Rice. The Owls, incidentally, were rated almost two touchdowns better than the Tar Heels before the game.

West Texas State's greatest basketball seasons were in 1932 when the squad won 19 games and lost one and in 1941 when the team won 28 titles and lost 2. Only two times in 28 years has a West Texas State basketball team gone below the .500 mark in basketball.

Thomas renders a victory song in London, England, ring.

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Kleiner's Corner

By DICK KLEINER NEA Staff Correspondent

Quite obviously, that deal between the Detroit Tigers and the New York Yankees, in which Dick Wakefield was traded for Dick Kryhoski, couldn't have been completed without a lot of dickering.

In Chicago, the intra-city professional football rivalry continues after the season. The Bears' center, Bulldog Turner, was in a sporting goods store, greeting customers. So a competitor installed the Cardinals' ace back, Charlie Trippi.

What Turner wondered was: Is this Trippi necessary?

Baseball and football players go for those off-season businesses — working in sporting goods or clothing stores.

So do track men, who for years have been competing in the 100-yard haberdash.

Miss Traubel will probably insist on one change in the baseball setup of her team. She'll change the title of the coach to prompter.

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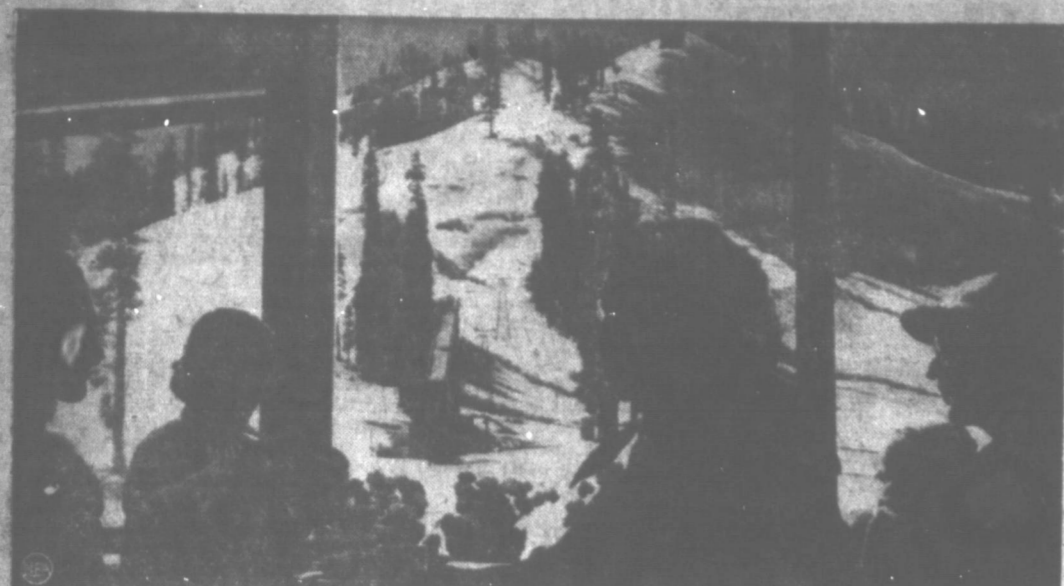
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To folks who are little and folks who are big and folks who are slim — to just all the folks we know...

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SKI TEA—Silhouetted against Mount Disney, skiers enjoy tea after a session on the hill at Soda Springs, Calif. Heavier than usual snow gives the Golden State's winter sports season an early start.

Yanks Seen Reversing Baseball's Most Successful Formula Taking Wakefield

By HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Sports Editor

NEW YORK (NEA)—Casey Stengel and the front office may feel smug about trading young Dick Kryhoski for Dick Wakefield, but a lot of staunch Yankee fans resent the passing of an old tradition.

In acquiring outfielder Wakefield, long-time supporters of the New York Yankees see a new manager and set of owners reversing baseball's most successful formula, one that brought 16 pennants and 12 world championships in 29 years.

They regard the lackadaisical Wakefield as a cult, and a quite correct in doing so, for the Detroit club gave up on the \$50,000 Quince a year ago.

And since the late Col. Jacob Ruppert took over the Bronx Bombers in 1915, and started building the greatest of baseball empires, never before has the organization acquired an athlete who failed elsewhere. A war measure or two, a mid-season pitching filler-in now and then, perhaps, but never in the ordinary course of events.

"As a matter of fact," says a man who spent years with the Yankee company, and contributed much to its tremendous achievements, "we shipped better ball-players than Wakefield for the same reason Detroit got rid of him."

Yankee rooters see their proud club losing prestige, definitely taking a step backward. They fear that the Yankee psychology in assembling a club has changed.

From the outset, Colonel Ruppert bought and scouted nothing but the best. When the farm system was strong enough, it turned over to the parent outfit nothing but the finest, Ruppert and his general manager, Ed Barrow, demanded nothing less.

Players were culled before they reached Triple A, let alone the majors. Players reported with

YANKEE stamped on them in block letters, of the tremendous early promise and potentialities, has yet to prove himself anything more than a war-time ball-player, for he did nothing much for the Tigers when the professionals came back.

Too much easy money at the beginning left him hardly without incentive, for he clubbed minor and war-time big-league pitching.

For five years it has been apparent that he lacked competitive spirit. Otherwise he would have fought back before dropping to the status of a pinch-hitter last season.

But the main trouble with Wakefield is that he takes and misses too many strikes. A peculiar disposition has nothing to do with that.

The Yankee uniform has done wondrous things for others, but this is the first time it has been asked to work its legdemain on a personality as well as a player.

Austin Gets '50 Coaches School

FORT WORTH (AP)—Austin will be the scene of the 1950 Texas Coaching School.

The football-basketball-baseball-track clinic was awarded to the Capitol City yesterday at a meeting of the board of directors of the Texas High School Coaches Association. It will be Austin's second time to hold the school.

Austin, Dallas and San Antonio entered bids for the school with Fort Worth issuing an invitation but filing no bid—that is, making a specific offer.

The school will be July 31 through Aug. 4 with the annual high school all-star basketball game the night of Aug. 3 and the football game Aug. 4.

The coaches selected the head instructors of the school but they were not announced pending acceptance. However, it was learned that Bud Wilkinson, coach of Oklahoma, and Benny Oosterbaan, coach of Michigan, were the ones selected. Oosterbaan, however, declined when contacted, explaining that he had prior commitments.

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Does Slip Past Panhandle Six

WHITE DEER (Special)—It took the White Deer Does two overtime periods, but they finally managed to down the fighting Panhandle sextet at White Deer Tuesday night 22-21 in a practice game.

At the end of the normal playing time the game was all tied up 19-19. During the three minute overtime period both teams succeeded in making a field goal to once again knot the game up so that a second overtime period was required. At the first of this overtime period a Panhandle girl committed a foul. La Donna Oneal came through for her team by sinking the free shot to win the game.

Captain Oneal led the White Deer attack with thirteen points, followed by Billie Meadows with five and Roberta Corder with four.

Vaught sank 10 points for the Panhandle six with Tackitt and Meelin each contributing four points. Corder and Gideon making three points.

Betty Jane Powers played outstanding defensive ball aided by her team mates Ramona Hightower and Clara Meaker.

Starting line-ups for the two teams: White Deer — Meadows, Oneal, Corder, Powers, Meaker, Hightower, Panhandle — Vaught, C. Tackitt, Gideon, Biekerstaff, B. J. Tackitt, Bagwell.

Blue-Gray Stars Knuckling Down

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP)—College all-stars chosen to perform in the Blue-Gray football game got down to hard work yesterday.

The first practice session was called for 10 a. m., and rival coaches promised there won't be a letup until the day of the game, Dec. 31.

Two workouts a day will be the order except on Christmas, when the soft-hearted coaches agreed to let the boys off with one practice. But to hear the master-minds talk, both teams probably will lose the game because of that one day of soft living.

Even before the workouts started, head Coaches Blair Cherry of Texas and Ray Elliot of Illinois started bragging about what a swell team the other has.

Cherry pictured the Yankee line as something like a row of Sherman tanks and reported sadly that "We're going to have to use a wide open style of play and try to outguess 'em."

Eight of the Northern linemen dress in above 200 pounds.

Elliot had an answer for that, however: "We can't use 'em all at one time. Maybe we can get a special rule to take care of that, or trade a couple of linemen for that guy Tidwell."

He was talking about Auburn's passing ace, Travis Tidwell, voted the Southeastern Conference's most valuable player this year. He is part of what Elliot called a "dream backfield."

Play With Irish And Never Lose

NOTRE DAME, Ind. (NEA)—Co-captain and end Leon Hart and right guard Bob Lally completed their varsity football careers at Notre Dame this year with the enviable record of never having played on a losing football team either in college or high school.

Twelve Strikes but No Perfect Game

DEROIT (NEA)—Mervin Lang rolled 12 successive game, but failed to score 300. Lang fouled in the 10th frame, finished with 270. He is a 169 average bowler.

Seasons Greetings

The sweetest carol of all is unwritten—for it is spirit rather than words that makes Christmas so dear!

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Osmanski Wants \$36,000 To Quit Holy Cross Job

NEW YORK (NEA)—Holy Cross is shopping around for a successor to Bill Osmanski.

But at the moment the athletic department is more concerned about having to pay off its most illustrious football son than in screening proven coaches.

Bullet Bill Osmanski, with 10 years of coaching experience, practical coaching experience, talked Father Healy, then president of the college, into a five-year contract in 1948 at \$12,000 per year, and this agreement has three more years to run.

Osmanski demands all of it, which is \$36,000, right on the barrel head.

That's the cost of hiring an untried coach, yet college athletic boards keep repeating the mistake.

Casey Stengel was paid for not managing the Dodgers. Others have been paid for not managing baseball clubs. But this is perhaps the first time a man is to be paid for not coaching a college football team.

Dr. Osmanski may argue that he gave up a lucrative dental practice in Chicago to be lured into coaching.

North-South 11s Tapering Off

MIAMI, Fla. (AP)—Both the North and South all-star football teams are tapering off from a rigid training schedule climaxed yesterday with full scale scrimmages.

Captain Herman Hickman of Yale gave his hand-selected Yankee squad a 50-minute game style scrimmage.

Miami Coach Andy Gustafson, head mentor for the Southern team, also had a few minutes of scrimmage after which he announced that the two-day workouts hereafter would be trimmed to one a day.

Gustafson expressed pleasure in his 28-man squad and the workouts.

Some 50,000 spectators are expected to attend the charity game in the Orange Bowl Monday night. Net proceeds are used by the Mahi Shrine Temple for its Children's Hospital Fund.

Harness Racing in '49 Standardbreds Score Successes

AP Newsfeatures Sports Editor
NEW YORK (AP)—Standardbred racing during the year that thoroughbred racing operators vehemently denied they would go for night racing as a means of adding new interest to their own sport.

The U. S. Trotting Association officials estimate that part-mutuel wagering reached \$209,867,000, a 6.3 percent increase over 1948. The approximate figures include 12 states which have part-mutuel harness racing.

In practically every section of the country wagering and attendance skyrocketed. Total handled at six of New York state tracks was \$120,946,670, an increase of almost \$9,000,000 over the preceding year. The state's tax amounted to \$7,310,000.

Center of activity was Roosevelt Raceway at Westbury. The Long Island track handled \$95,285,088, a 7.7 percent betting increase. For the \$50,000 Roosevelt Raceway two-mile pace, won by Grattan McElroy, a record crowd of 29,819 wagered \$1,076,600.

Sales also set new records. The four-day session at Harrisburg, Pa., saw \$1,182,225 change hands with Imperial Hanover, a yearling, going under the hammer for \$72,900, was the highest price ever paid for a standardbred. The purchasers were Sep Pallin, driver of Greyhound; Fred Egan, Rambleton winner with Miss Tilly, and J. J. McIntyre of Howlings, Va.

Harness horse of the year was Good Time, 3-year-old colt owned by William H. Cane of Goshen, N. Y. The bay colt scored in the Little Brown Jug, Matron, Review Futurity and Western Pace, winning \$58,765. His trainer-driver, Frank Ervin of Aiken, S. C., topped the pilots by winning \$183,000 in purses.

Other outstanding horses during the year were Proximity, Rodney, Lusty Song, Bangaway, Demon Hanover and Chris Spencer.

Proximity, owned by the Verhurst brothers of Victor, N. Y., was known as "Queen of the half-mile tracks." The aged mare's first defeat in 47 races came when she bowed to Demon Hanover in the two-mile Roosevelt Raceway trot.

Rodney, racing for the R. Horace Johnston Estate of Charlotte, N. C., covered a mile in 1:57 2/5, best time of the year. Lusty Song went a mile in 2:02 1/2, fastest ever for a 2-year-old trotter. Bangaway, of the Saunders Mills Stables led the money winners with \$72,293. Chris Spencer won the Golden West Trot and the American championship.

Oklahoma Aggies Send Greetings

STILLWATER — In an unprecedented announcement of the athletic cabinet of Oklahoma A&M College today, best wishes for Christmas and the New Year were wished most heartily to Oklahoma fans everywhere.

BULLETIN FOLLOWS.

ADD STILLWATER — "The cabinet was in an expansive mood," Athletic Director Hank Ibs said, immediately after the two-day session of the A&M governing body for sports.

"We went so far as to wish unparalleled luck in the New Year (Jan. 2 at New Orleans specifically) to that school down south in Cleveland County Okla.," the Aggie skipper stated.

BULLETIN ENDS, MORE TO FOLLOW.

"If at any distant date, present arrangements for New Year's athletic entertainment have to be adjusted and OU wearies of bowl duties, we shall do our utmost to shoulder this responsibility again, as in past, for the continued glory of the commonwealth," Ibs stated in the detailed prose for which the Iron Duke is noted.

When asked to add to the statement, Coach J. B. Whitworth, and others at A&M, shouted, "Merry, merry Christmas, and happy halfbacks to all." END 1949

Littlefield Cats Will Be Without Leading Lineman

LITTLEFIELD (AP)—Littlefield's Wildcats will apparently be without the services of ace guard Floyd Pinkerton when they meet Monday for the Class A Schoolboy grid title.

Pinkerton yesterday suffered an acute attack of appendicitis. A physician said it was almost certain he would not be able to play.

Coach J. S. Fikes indicated Billy Frank Davis, 140, or Arlen Wealey, 175-pound tackle, would start at right guard in place of Pinkerton.

Gene Renfro, linebacker, will probably be able to play. Fikes said, Renfro has a sprained ankle, and sophomore end Ed Tixer hold the guard positions. Football captain-leet and end Dan Foldberg and halfback Frank Fischl are expected to see much action.

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McGuire of Brooklyn St. John's Is Third Cutter Off Single Pivot

By FRANK MCGUIRE
Brooklyn St. John's Coach

NEW YORK (NEA)—St. John's of Brooklyn makes use of an additional third cutter off its usual single-pivot attack.

Captain and playmaker Gerry Calabrese, 2 in the diagram, starts the maneuver by passing in to the pivot, six-foot six-inch Bob Zawoluk, 3, takes a hand-off to Jack McMahon, 4, outside.

Calabrese cuts through to the inside, taking advantage of a moving screen by breaking from behind McMahon.

If Calabrese is covered, the pass goes to Al McGuire, 5, a third cutter, going by the basket and bearing in for a lay-up.

Guard Ray Tully, 1, steps back for defensive purposes.

A Brooklyn St. John's single-pivot play.

Most of Tigers Spending Night With Families

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP)—Most of Louisiana State's football team went to bed at home last night with visions of Sugar Bowls dancing in their heads.

But four linemen are exceptions.

Coach Gaynell Tinsley dismissed the team until Monday last Friday with wishes for a merry Christmas. Most of them headed home.

One that didn't is end Aubrey Anding, who is in Dallas on a honeymoon and can be excused if he doesn't think too often of the team's Jan. 2 game against Oklahoma.

He married Miss Iva Joanne Henry of Tyler, Texas, Friday in Tyler. They met when both attended Tyler Junior College.

Another end who may not be so merry is Jeff Adams, who won't be allowed to play because trainer Mary Broussard says a chronic knee injury would make it too dangerous.

And Nick Roussos and Moose Potter live too far away. Roussos is from Santa Ana, Calif., and Potter from Peabody, Mass.

Christmas Greetings to All of Our Friends and Customers

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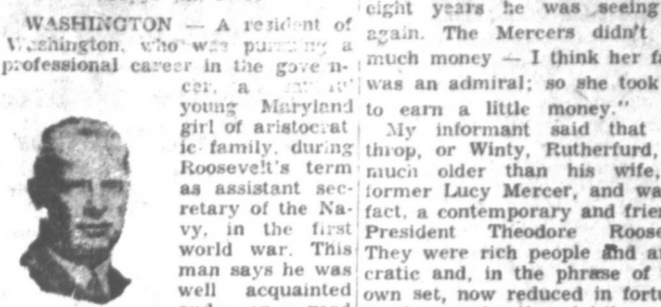
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Fair Enough - Pegler

By WESTBROOK PEGLER (Copyright, 1949)



WASHINGTON — A resident of Washington, who was pursuing a professional career in the govern-

ment, a young Maryland girl of aristocratic family, during Roosevelt's term as assistant secretary of the Navy...

retary of the Navy. This man says he was well acquainted and on good terms with Roosevelt on the basis of an association earlier in their lives...

My informant says Roosevelt "flirted" or tried to "flirt" with Miss Mercer and that she promptly quit her job as secretary...

The first authority says Roosevelt confided that he had made advances to Miss Mercer and had been spurned. This person says Roosevelt had no intention of marrying her...

I have an idea that after Eleanor got the idea that he was attracted by other women, she thought she had a rival and they became estranged...

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I asked whether the "flirtations" intended of a married man with five children could be innocent. My informant thought not...

I make no effort to reconcile differences between the recollections of these two persons. The second one says emphatically that Lucy Mercer was Eleanor's secretary...

Common Ground

By R. C. BOILES Socialism Now Unpopular So E. Stanley Jones Now Decides It Is Not a Socialist

By way of review, E. Stanley Jones is a Methodist evangelist sent out by the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America...

In one of the articles appearing in the Gazette (see a sister paper) I am supposed to have put myself down as a socialist in a poll taken by "World Tomorrow"...

According to Dr. Jones it is all right to be a socialist, but people have simply made it a sin by inventing that Socialism is a sin...

Then Dr. Jones goes on in his letter in parenthesis: "(In reading that we who are all of us Christians, whether we are socialist, don't feel the sin of the association)..."

Certainly, E. Stanley Jones would like to be called a Christian, but he doesn't like to be called a socialist. Remember we are talking about a form of socialism like in Bible times...

One day a "White House spokesman" or a cabinet member takes one side of a question, and the next day the "White House spokesman" or another cabinet member says the opposite...

DAY-TO-DAY — Answer: Mr. P's complaint is understandable because this has been a most confusing year at the Capital. The only explanation is that these are disturbing times both here and abroad...

IMPORTS — Marshall Plan: Administrator Paul Hoffman invites the highest officials to meet on the subject of the U. S. but Secretary Brannan uses his emergency power to block these imports...

DEFENSE — We do have extremely formal, diplomatic relations with Madrid, Mr. Acheson points out. But the Export-Import Bank and other lending agencies do not regard Franco's backward and undeveloped country as a sound investment...

It Still Guides



National Whirligig

news behind the news

Once a week this veteran Washington correspondent vetoes his column to answering readers' questions of general interest on national and international politics and personalities...

and British labor and socialist groups are also opposed. MERGER — Domestic Business: Secretary Sawyer says Mr. Truman has told him to temper administration of the anti-trust laws by giving advisory opinions to industry...

CAPITAL — Finances: Federal Reserve Governor McCabe and Mr. Eccles say that industry's great need is equity capital for expansion. They say people will not invest in common stocks because of the lack of return...

WATCH FOR SYMPTOMS — When only small amounts of carbon monoxide are present, warning symptoms may be present. These are usually headache, dizziness, desire to vomit, muscular weakness, and a generally uncomfortable feeling...

DICTIONARY — Foreign Affairs: The U. S. recognizes and lends money to the Communist government in Spain, but Communist and dictator not on the outs with Moscow. It also deals with equally despicable figures like Peron in Argentina...

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TRIFLING FUN — When John Ruskin criticized one of Whistler's paintings, the famous artist used him. Whistler's own damages of one farthing, one-half a cent.

In the Groove

By GORDON MARTIN

When you've had a double holiday with leaving time to spare, your return to work can be a most discouraging affair. For you've punched a time clock all your own and live a life of ease...

For you wile from heavy slumber when you hear the loud alarm, and the early morning weather hasn't got a bit of charm. Then you hurry with your breakfast and you run to catch a bus...

But you get so cockeyed busy that the time goes flying by and at last when all your work is done, you sit back with a sigh. And it suddenly occurs to you a man without his work, then you're glad you've got a job to do that keeps you on the move...

Before the Dishes Are Done

By BETTY KNOWLES HUNT

I had always known it had to come someday, and I had worried about it—that certain inevitable day when one of the children would come home with me and me will hit me moments of a situation "Is there or isn't there a Santa Claus?"

Bill and I did not bring Santa Claus into our home. He just stole in from the outside world, and when the children were very little, he seeped like such a jolly and harmless visitor, we did nothing about him—pro or con. But gradually, he began to compete with the Christ-child, and although he never replaced Him, he did manage to shine almost as brightly as the Star of Bethlehem...

As I tucked Diana in, I asked one last question. "How about the stockings? Shall we just skip hanging them up this year?" Somehow—the expression of shock surprised me. "Oh no!" she answered quickly. "We can't skip the stockings—no ever! Only this year you and Daddy will have to hang yours up too, because St. Nick's got some more helpers now!"

So the patron saint of childhood and Christmas lives on and on. Instead of bidding goodbye to Santa Claus it looks as if we have just launched three new little Santa Clauses into a world that sorely needs them. When we all learn at last to "send back the song which now the angels sing" — on that day can all the world truly look forward to A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

So They Say

ANY tinkering with our dollar would be the worst thing that could happen. It would have a disturbing inflationary effect and would destroy confidence at home and abroad. —Dr. Edwin G. Nourse, recently resigned economic adviser to Mr. Truman.

WE must abandon the policies of restriction that every group in our economy has practiced in its endeavor to maintain adequate prices for farmers, wages and employment for workers, and earnings for business. We are all guilty. —Murray T. Lincoln, Ohio cooperative movement leader.

PIPE ORGAN. Answer to Previous Puzzle. HORIZONTAL 59 Is indisposed 1,6 Depicted 60 Sag 10 It is much used for draft purposes 12 Rent 13 Indivisible particle 14 Accomplish 15 Belgian community 18 Singing voice 19 At all times 20 Periodic 22 Race course circuit 23 Tidy 24 Daybreak (comb. form) 25 Debit note (ab.) 26 Rowing implement 27 Pedal 31 Oriental measure 32 Orans (ab.) 33 Paid notice in newspaper 34 And (Latin) 35 Conducted 37 Golf mound 38 Half-em 40 Behold! 41 River in Tuscany 43 Light knock 46 Goddess of discord 49 Soothsayer 50 And 52 Consume 53 Father in 54 Small island 56 It is a animal 58 Spain (ab.)

The Spirit of Christmas-time

IF THE SPIRIT of Christmas shines in the hearts of the population of Pampa as much as the lights shine in the windows on the lawn, and on the house tops of the city, then this is our greatest Christmas.

Faith to take time out this evening, to put your family in the car and ride about town, you will be sorry you missed this spectacle of our Yule celebration; and seeing this ceremony in lights and colors and beautiful music, you will remember it for the rest of your life.

PAMPA is at least that harmonious this season. All this is a testimonial to the individual families, and more specifically, to the members of the family who took an active part in seeing that the decorations were prepared; a testimonial to the initiative and interest of the Chamber of Commerce and the individuals who spurred a city-wide drive for beauty.

WE HAVE another thought for you today. It is this. Christmas-time, while a celebration of the pascent God, actually serves to remind us of the sins of man. It is a time of giving and of kindnesses of other sorts, yes, it is both of these. But the fact that we practice this special civility upon each other but once a year is a type of irony. The deeply religious man might rightly ask why we do not celebrate the birth of Christ the year around. Only in that way would we be meeting the full measure of the meaning of The Birth.

BUT, suppose the Christ had not been born on earth in such a case, the world would indeed be in degradation. The influence of Christianity is stronger than we may think. Moreover, it touches and changes the lives of the un-Christian as well.

YET we would not say there is goodwill among men. There may be goodwill among a few men but not "among men" collectively. Perhaps that is the unattainable goal, and in seeking it, men collectively will be better than they would be if the goal had not been set so high.

Christmas, though it comes but once in each 12 months of our lives, serves as a goal toward the unattainable goal. We don't ever give up reaching that highest goal, and we won't ever give up observing Christmas either.

Gracie Says

By GRACIE ALLEN

Today, instead of news, I'll give you some hints on holiday decorations and how to make them next year. When you buy a Christmas tree they charge by height, so wear low-heeled shoes — the shorter you look the more you'll save.

And don't believe all the salesman tells you. If he says it's pine and has needles, make him thread one of them to prove it. One salesman even told me a tree I was examining was a fur and I did look silly when I asked if it was worth the price.

And here's how to make a holly wreath that won't fall to pieces; just cook the holly berries into jelly and hang a big jar of it in the center of the wreath. It'll look beautiful and you'll get lots of compliments.

Use my tips, whether you ever use mine or not, a very merry Christmas to you!

Washington....by Peter Edson

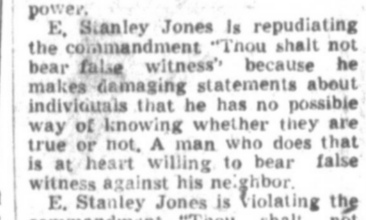
WASHINGTON — (NEA) — It may take some months to measure correctly the real effects of the Truman administration's new ban against racially restrictive covenants in government-insured housing mortgages.

If the politicians had allowed Federal Housing Administration and Veterans' Administration to issue their new regulations in a routine manner, the whole affair might have caused little concern. It would probably have been regarded as a mere legal conformity with the Supreme Court decision of last May, holding that restrictive covenants were unenforceable.

What caused all the uproar was having Solicitor General Philip B. Perlman make the first announcement. He did this in a political speech before the New York State Committee on Discrimination in Housing. That may have pleased the racial groups that have long fought housing segregation. But it rubbed many more people the wrong way. They didn't know what it meant. Not having the actual regulations before them, they were scared that the restrictions of any kind on the ownership, sale or rental of property would be outlawed.

QUICKIES

Keen Reynolds. "Humm-humm! This is all Alvin's fault—if he didn't use the News Want Ads, he couldn't have such a good provider!"



then, buyers and sellers of property, landlords and tenants also, can make any kind of a restrictive covenant they wish. FHA and VA such covenants in deeds or leases. Similarly, existing deeds and leases containing covenants will not be affected.

What happens after Feb. 15 is something else. Some realtors feel there will be a slowdown in government-insured mortgages. Bankers, builders, mortgagors and mortgagees will be feeling their way to see how strictly FHA and VA officials enforce their regulations in specific cases, and what penalties they may apply in foreclosing foreclosures for violations.

Other realtors pointing to the fact that the building season usually begins in March, say that there will be no slowdown. For one thing, government insurance will insure only a third of the total U. S. mortgage debt. So even if the new regulations drove the government completely out of the field, it would not mean the complete ruin of the real estate mortgage business. It would, however, most seriously affect the small home purchaser, who can't get such favorable terms from banks, insurance, building and loan companies unless he has government insurance on his mortgage.

There is some fear that the new regulations will result in "boot-legged" covenants. Since covenants on government-insured mortgages can no longer be made part of the deed, they may be an effort to write racial or religious bans as secret or side agreements. Smart lawyers will no doubt try to use every device they can think of to beat the new restrictions.

MORE THAN ONE WAY Racial and religious covenants banning the sale or rental of property to Negroes, Jews, Japanese, Chinese or other minorities, are not the only type of agreement written into deeds and leases. There are neighborhood covenants. The developer of a new subdivision or a group of home owners, may enter into a covenant for mutual protection of their property values. They may decide they will not allow sale or rental of any of their property to anyone not approved by all the others. Such covenants are intended to keep out gamblers, madams, nudists, drunkards. It is only if the Truman or some later administration tries to go beyond the new FHA and VA regulations that trouble may arise. It is the next step in this trend towards elimination of segregation in housing that could completely upset property values and create havoc in the real estate market.

The mortgage debt in the United States is the largest single item of private indebtedness. There is at present little inclination among the working administrators of government housing agencies to knock the props out from under this business. If it should be upset, all the insurance reserves of the Federal Housing Administration might have to be drawn on to protect mortgage lenders.

As matters stand today, the Supreme Court decision and the government housing agency regulations; both recognize that every property owner has the right to rent or sell only to whom he pleases. As long as this fundamental principle of not depriving a person of his "liberty or property without due process of law" is not upset, there may be not too much to fear from this latest government regulation.

Kerens Santa Is 42' High

KERENS, Texas —(P)— Kerens Santa Claus isn't the jolly old elf of "The Night Before Christmas."

He's a jolly old giant — 42 feet tall and 28 feet around the part that's supposed to shake the a bowlful of jelly.

It took citizens of this little Central Texas town two weeks to build their St. Nick. They claim he's the biggest in the world.

Now thousands of visitors come from Corsicana and other nearby places to see Santa.

His frame is made of structural steel. A 200-pound, four-by-five foot head towers atop shoulders that span 14 feet. His arms are 15 and a half feet long, and his boots are six feet — seven feet long from heel to toe.

One hundred feet of inch and a quarter rope went into his hair.

His suit was the size of 171 yards of red, white and black cloth. His white plywood buttons are nine inches in diameter. His belt is 15 inches wide and has a buckle 18 by 24 inches.

Chamber of Commerce Manager Howell Brister had the idea. A couple of six-footers — O. S. Spurlock and Hardy Mayo — were the models.

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May you carry with you throughout the year — the joyous spirit that is Christmas!

Happy New Year

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WHY SANTA CLAUS? Jolly, Red-Clad Fellow Is Descendant Of Man Who Started a Happy Tradition



SINGERS—Just a few of the hundreds of Pampanos who gathered in City Park Dec. 16, despite 57-degree weather, to watch the unveiling of the Nativity scene figures are shown in this picture. As the various scenes depicting the age-old Christmas story were unveiled and lighted, appropriate carols were sung.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The following story by Helen Newman Ash is reprinted from the recent Christmas issue of The War Cry, official organ of The Salvation Army in the Southern (USA) Territory and published at Atlanta, Ga.)

By HELEN NEWMAN ASH

SANTA CLAUS sometimes is a perplexing myth of parents, especially to modern ones who may be worrying about what St. Nick can do to their children's sense of reality, and to their own sense of responsibility when the time comes for the inevitable question, "Who is Santa Claus?"

Fancy or circumstance may determine your answer, but there is no need to make excuses for conscience's sake, nor to dread to face the accusing eyes of a child who has been informed that Santa is but a snare and a delusion, dreamed up by conniving parents, for — Santa Claus is a reality. Books of history tell you his name, where he was born and when, and a few of the circumstances of his unusual career. The rest is legendary, mythical, if you prefer that word, but beneficent in its effect upon mankind; and "children believe in

him because they want to," says a prominent child psychologist who himself believes that childhood is the better for the happiness Santa Claus tales bring.

The well-upholstered fellow in the department store who listens to the whispered wishes of children and the red-clad Santa who bounces up the aisle at the end of a church Christmas program are both lineal descendants of a true St. Nicholas, a man who traveled the earth one thousand six hundred years ago, and started a happy tradition.

Few saints have had to endure through the centuries so many changes of name and nature, but his spirit has survived them all. Beyond the legends that cluster around his name, the red suit and whiskers, the "horse with glass legs" that some children say he rides, the reindeer and sleigh, the mask and hood, the bag and stick, all parts of stories that are attached to him, a real person existed. And his life was so brave and kind, so colorful and inspiring in his time, that the countries of Europe and the Near East took him to their hearts, and would not let him be forgotten.

WHEN he was born in the town of Patara in Syria, some time before the year 300 A. D., his very religious parents, Epiphane and Joanna, felt that he was a miracle baby — as what young parents do not? He was unusually strong, and could stand up in his bath on the day of his christening. The child continually did things which amazed his relatives, and they named him "Nicholas," meaning "victory," and bravely trained him to follow the Christian way, which was not generally accepted in that early day. Nicholas was born into a time which was ripe for change, for during his lifetime the Emperor Constantine accepted Christianity, with the result that the Christian sect, instead of suffering every imaginable persecution, was able to become a strong church, with the legal sanction of the Roman Empire behind it.

Nicholas grew into boyhood practicing the religion his mother taught him, and like her, he was unselfish and full of love for all children. He went on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, and all along the way he talked to other pilgrims from many countries, to merchants and beggars and to the sailors on the ship that carried him over the blue Mediterranean. He received a liberal education directly from the lives of people, from their deeds and from their needs.

The ship stopped at the port of Myra in Asia Minor to unload grain, and there Nicholas felt a strong urge to leave the ship and explore this strange place. He said farewell to his sailor friends aboard, climbed down past the slaves carrying cargo from ship to dock, and walked inland toward the small village of poor huts and rutted streets, where the only thing of beauty was the church built of colored marble. He wondered at the contrast, and asked a child playing on the stone steps who had built this church. The people, the child answered, who had turned from the worship of Diana had torn down her temple in the oak grove, and had carried the marble blocks to the town square to erect a church for the worship of the living God and His Son.

Nicholas turned to enter the church door, feeling that here was indeed an island held for Christ in the midst of paganism. But in the doorway stood a man in churchly robes, barring his way. "What is your name?" he

demanded.

"Nicholas," the boy humbly replied.

"Come, we are waiting for you," was the cryptic answer.

INSIDE the bewildered boy found a council of bishops of the neighboring churches, kneeling in prayer. Under the new ruling of the Emperor, to avow Christianity was no longer a crime, and the bishops had gathered here openly to appoint a leader for this new church of Myra. But no willing and able person had been found, so one aged minister said that he would pray all night, that the right candidate for the office should be sent to them early in the morning. Into his midnight prayers had come the name Nicholas — nikos, victory, and laos, meaning for the people; and his prayer had been answered. Thus Nicholas of Patara became Nicholas the Boy Bishop of Myra, and in this place he served his Master until his death on December 6, 343.

Nicholas was always the children's saint. Wherever he went the children flocked around him, for he healed their hurts and settled their quarrels and told them stories of Jesus, who loved the children of Galilee. Nicholas always filled the capacious pockets under his robes with coins and cookies for the children. People called him "saint" in his own lifetime, which is not ordinary — but his acts were not ordinary. Once he ransomed three girls about to be sold into slavery, and

another time he rescued a band of runaway schoolboys from a murderous innkeeper.

HIS FAME grew as a patron and protector of childhood, and the warmth of his character was felt wherever he went, so that at the end of his life his memory lingered as a beneficent influence, and people began to be generous to each other in his name. In doing him honor, folks discovered that a good life is contagious, and that giving to those in need brings happiness.

As time passed, the celebrations of St. Nicholas' Day on December 6, the day of his birthday in Heaven, and the Nativity of Christ on December 25, and the day of the Magi came with their gifts, January 6, "Little Christmas" — all were linked into the various observances that have come down to us. And so his story grew, even though, back in Myra, the boy Nicholas lay in his tomb under his church, where a miraculous spring was said to well from the ground, bringing healing and peace to all who tasted of it. His story is the story of an idea — an idea which has kept growing, an idea of mercy and helpfulness.

The important thing is that his story traveled along with Christianity as it spread into the far lands beyond his boyhood horizon, where barbarians roamed the forests of Central Europe, and into the bitter northern lands where people were less happily situated than in his sunny homeland. Soon Nicholas — or the idea he represented in the tales and legends — was traveling north and west, full of love for people of every condition, longing to make life better and more meaningful for them. He always — the stories went — made smokeless chimneys his guideposts, for he knew that where there was no smoke, there could be no fire, and that meant no fuel and, probably, no food. There is no proof that any saint actually ever went down one of the cold northland chimneys, but the folk tales say that he loved to drop gifts of food, clothing and wood to burn, down onto the cold hearths along his way, bringing practical comfort to households where he passed. Sometimes he would leave a

gifts under a tree near a woodsman's hut at the forest's edge and then go on his way singing softly. When he was invited into cottages, he would tell the story of the Christ Child, the greatest Gift. Presently children began to watch for the time of his passing — as had the children in the streets of Myra long ago — and some tied bits of bright thread and cloth, and sugar for his horse, to a favorite forest tree, to attract his eye as he hurried by.

Year by year his journeys grew longer, and if St. Nicholas did not return at the expected time, the children might say, "Oh, his horse has glass legs, and he has broken his foot!" Who else has as far as the coast of Belgium, he took along a retainer to help him, and horses with heavy saddlebags. "Sinterklaas," the awfully children called him there, as they waited full of admiration and curiosity for his gifts and stories and songs, but they shied away from his strange dark companion, "Rupert." Even today, in that county, the two are supposed to visit the children together on Christmas, Sinterklaas with his saddlebags full of rewards, Rupert with a sack in which to carry away the bad children. But fortunately, all the bad children have turned into good ones by Christmas Eve, so Black Rupert's bag is always empty.

Now the saint had to see the Midnight Sun, and as he pushed farther north into the bleak frozen country, he began to look more like the English "Father Christmas" or our own "Santa Claus." For now his cheeks turned apple-red from the biting winds, and he donned fur cap and mittens over his red bishop's robes. Then he acquired reindeer and a sleigh, common beasts of war, where barbarians roamed the forests of Central Europe, and into the bitter northern lands where people were less happily situated than in his sunny homeland. The spirit of that Boy Bishop of so long ago is in our Santa Claus as indestructibly as is the joy of giving. Whether we call him by any of his many names — he is still the same essential being.

Perhaps we put out a wooden shoe filled with carrots for Santa's horse as Dutch children do, or leave a window open for him to enter as they do in Germany, or put a shoe on a window sill as in Spain, or hang up a hopeful sock or stockings with or without a hearth to hang it by as we do in America. There are a few who claim St. Nicholas as an American creation, because of the development of the legend by Washington Irving, who made of him a jolly, elfin character who

drove a sleigh through the skies. There is little doubt that it was the genial Dutch who stowed away St. Nick and brought him on their ships to New Amsterdam in the New World, and first pronounced him "Santa Claus." It remained for Dr. Clement C. Moore, an Episcopal clergyman of New York, in 1822 to write a famous poem which has fixed his present picture as a part of the happy symbolism of Christmas, the honorable descendant of a saint who really lived and loved children, St. Nicholas, patron of the young — and the young in heart.

LIGHT FOR HAMLET

FLATVILLE, Ill. — (P)— This hamlet may not be much of a dot on the map — but it's going to be a bright one.

Twenty-five volunteers from the countryside have started to put up street lights. The community has no organized government so the lights were bought by trustees of the Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Borneo is 800 miles long and 700 miles wide.

You Can Go Blow Back!

SANTA FE, N.M. — (P)— Julia says Santa Claus is discriminatory and can "go blow back to the North Pole."

In a letter to the Jolly Gent published in the Santa Fe New Mexican, she wrote: "I am eight years old and my sister is six years old. We went to see you every time you have come to town but I have got so mad because you always chase the little bigger ones and only talk to babies, and you gave them some gum and didn't give us so I think you can go blow back to the North Pole."

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News Views

By Wesley Lewis

This is the time for planning ahead and for polishing up those good resolutions. Right now, 1950 is as clear as a Boy Scout's ideals and the slate is as unmarked as a new fall of snow. We've got a whole new year in which to become wiser, kinder, happier and more ambitious. What we do with it depends on us. That's a bigger challenge than trying to re-fold a road map. If the world is ever better, it'll get that way from each one of us becoming better. And that shouldn't be too tough... for most of us have a flock of wonderful resolutions from last year we've hardly used. Haven't we?

A Clinton, Iowa, policeman stopped a couple of salesmen for speeding, and before he let them go, he'd bought \$4.05 worth of Fuller brushes. That's getting a real brush-off. You won't get the brush-off when you drive in at LEWIS MOTORS, 211 North Ballard St., for automotive service. Our customers always get prompt attention and courteous help... and you can be assured of every consideration.

Visit Our Used Car Lot at 1200 W. Wilks for Some Real Buys in Used Cars. Open til 9 each night!

GREETINGS

... and sincere good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

O. R. BEDDINGFIELD

County Judge, Carson County

Merry Christmas

Our favorite season is here again! For it's Christmas time — when colorful lights and holly wreaths brighten every window — when the carefree voices of carolers break the silence of the night, and to wide-eyed youngsters dear old Santa Claus is the "man of the hour".

Beyond all these pleasures our greatest enjoyment comes from the opportunity to wish all our friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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Tragedy Begins Its Task

(By The Associated Press) Death cut short the holiday season for at least 127 accident victims this weekend even before Christmas came.

Ninety-two persons were killed in traffic between six p. m. (local time) Friday and Saturday afternoon. Twenty-nine died in fires, and six in miscellaneous accidents during the same period.

The National Safety Council had predicted 435 traffic fatalities for the three-day weekend from 6 p. m. Friday to midnight Monday.

A Bramford, Conn., couple and their two infant children burned to death on the couple's fourth wedding anniversary. A mother and five of her six children perished in a fire in their three-room home in San Antonio, Texas. (See Column 5, this page.)

A Texas farm family of five burned to death and a truck driver was killed after an automobile-gasoline truck collision. The five were trapped in the burning car after the gasoline ignited.

A six-year-old Newton, Mass., boy, Albert Kevoorkian, Jr., was electrocuted as he played in front of his gaily-decorated Christmas tree. He was killed when he put his finger in an open socket of a Christmas tree light while lying on an iron hot-air register.

The deaths by states, with traffic listed first, fire second, and miscellaneous third:

Alabama 3-0; California 9-0; Colorado 1-0; Connecticut 0-4; Florida 1-0; Illinois 4-0; Iowa 3-0; Kansas 0-1; Kentucky 2-0; Louisiana 1-0; Maryland 1-0; Massachusetts 1-1; Michigan 4-0; Minnesota 5-1; Mississippi 3-1; Missouri 2-1; New Jersey 1-4; New Mexico 1-0; New York 10-1; North Carolina 3-2; Ohio 10-1; Oklahoma 1-0; Oregon 3-0; Pennsylvania 6-2; South Carolina 1-0; Tennessee 2-3; Texas 8-7; Virginia 3-0; West Virginia 1-1; Wisconsin 1-0; District of Columbia 1-0-0.

Atom Problem Now Not Quite So Hopeless

WASHINGTON — (AP) — United States scientists are finding answers to one of the most difficult and terrifying problems of atomic warfare.

For three years they have sought a safeguard against the lingering and lethal radioactive poison created in some types of A-bomb explosions. The search has gone on since the underhanded explosion of an atom bomb in the Bikini tests of 1946.

The results of those tests started military and Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) scientists looking for ways to prevent contamination of people and objects or to cleanse areas and objects of the poison.

A new publication of the AEC on "handling radioactive wastes" and a summary of studies written by an Army engineer show the problem is not quite as hopeless as once believed.

The AEC report mentions that its Oak Ridge, Tenn., laboratories have been seeking better methods for decontaminating buildings, equipment and general areas. Then it comments:

"This work will be useful not only in the atomic energy program but also to the armed forces in developing means of decontaminating equipment in combat zones."

"Progress is reported on the development of strippable films which can be used to cover contaminated apparatus and, if necessary, placed by remote control."

At Bikini, various experimental efforts were made to cleanse ships of the radioactive contamination.

Lt. Col. Richard D. Wolfe, Army engineer, in an article appearing in the current editions of two unofficial magazines, the *Anti-aircraft Journal* and the *Military Engineer*, describes three general methods tried.

"The first," he writes, "consists of surface removal methods. In crudest form they include paint removal by caustic solutions and such brute-force methods as sandblasting and scraping to remove paint and part of the surface of the material."

"The second approach is that of decontamination without affecting character or quality of the surface, this method includes the use of chemical solutions to dissolve the contaminants and carry them away."

"The third method involves the means of preventing contamination, including such devices as the interposition of a water film on the surface which mechanically impedes the attachment of contamination to the surface itself."

No One Hurt In Minor Car Wrecks Here

Cruising policemen Friday afternoon investigated one accident in which their own police car was involved, and two other weekend accidents caused damage estimated at \$175 to the cars involved.

At 3:15 p. m. Friday Captain Jim Connor and another policeman were cruising west on W. Wilks when a car backed away from a grocery just east of Banks and collided with the patrol car.

Mrs. S. W. Downard, 841 S. Faulkner, driving a 1946 DeSoto, told the officers that she is recovering from a fractured leg and that her daughter, who was in the car with her, operates the accelerator while she drives the car. The child probably pressed the pedal too hard and caused the car to back away at a high rate of speed.

Approximately 11:13 a. m. a 1935 was done to the police car; damage to Mrs. Downard's car was estimated at \$55.

At 8:20 p. m. the same day, two cars collided on slick pavement on W. Kingsmill just east of Russell.

Fuller Leroy Barnett, 120 S. Sumner, was trying to park his father's 1938 Chevrolet on the north side of W. Kingsmill. When the car started to slide, he decided to pull away and try somewhere else, but in doing so he collided with a 1948 Chevrolet driven by Jack Ray Combs of Lefors.

No damage was done to Barnett's car, but damage to Combs' car was estimated at \$55.

At 11:25 a. m. Saturday, another Lefors man, Dalmer L. Shaffit, had his car in collision with a parked car on W. Foster.

Shaffit, driving a 1935 Chevrolet, said he was driving east at 1948 Ford pickup truck parked about 150 feet west of West St. He ran partly under the rear of the truck, the police accident report stated.

Damage to Shaffit's car was estimated at \$100. Damage to the truck, owned by C. H. Pryor, 1030 S. Clark was estimated at \$20.

Christmas Carol 'Noel' Has Special Meaning for Pampan



J. L. NOEL

Some were gone on . . .

6 of 9 Members of Santone Family Perish in Home Fire

SAN ANTONIO — (AP) — A house gaily decorated for Christmas became a grim funeral pyre early yesterday for six members of a San Antonio family.

Heat from a wood stove ignited newly painted walls and Christmas trappings of their home. The flames spread so swiftly a mother, her two sons and three daughters perished.

Ascension Montelongo, 36, the father and husband, and a daughter, Francisca, 13, received third-degree burns. They may not recover. Only one member of the family, 9-year-old Josefina, escaped unhurt.

Burned to death were Mrs. Maria Montelongo, 27, the mother; two sons, Alejandro, 10, and Carlos, one year; and three daughters, Andrea, 7, Yolanda, 5, and Alicia, 4.

Josefina saved her father and Francisca and almost saved her mother. She told this story:

"The flames awoke her. They already covered the interior. She jumped from bed and ran to arouse her father and mother. The father awakened Francisca. The flames already enveloped all the family.

Josefina unlocked the door when her father and mother were unable to do so. Then she led her parents and Francisca outside. The mother walked a few steps and died.

Deputy Fire Chief M. L. Butler said it was the worst residential fire in San Antonio's history.

Firemen said they believed the home was completely filled with flames as soon as the first wall caught fire from the heat of the wood stove.

Nothing New, Says Officer

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The Soviet charge that Japan planned bacteriological warfare as far back as 1932 is old stuff to the U. S. government. It made a similar report four years ago.

Informed yesterday of a new Russian charge, Maj. Gen. Anthony C. McAuliffe, chief of the Army Chemical Corps, said he had no comment.

But on Jan. 3, 1948, the Army made public a report on bacteriological offensive and defensive efforts of the United States and other nations. The report was prepared by George W. Merck, head of a drug firm and a special biological warfare consultant to the secretary of war.

The report discussed efforts of Germany—with Japan and Axis members—to develop germ warfare. (See below.)

Japs Accused of Bacteria Warfare

MOSCOW — (AP) — Russia has accused the Japanese of actually waging bacteriological warfare in China in 1940 against secret-born fleas. They also charged the Japanese had prepared to direct the germ assault against the Soviet Union.

The charges were published and broadcast as an indictment naming 12 former Japanese Army men as leaders in the alleged germ warfare. They included accusations that prisoners were used as human guinea pigs to test germ warfare theories.

The indictment said Lt. Gen. Shiro Ishii of the Medical Service, in the summer of 1940, infected areas of Central China with parachuted germ-laden fleas, starting a bubonic plague epidemic.

It added that the Japanese set up two secret research centers in Manchuria to conduct bacteriological warfare on secret-born fleas. Emperor Hirohito. The germ program, the charges said, was directed at the Soviet Union, the Mongolian Peoples Republic, China and "other states." Japanese generals, in testimony published at great length, related how they were preparing to spread these horrors:

Bubonic plague, cholera, typhoid, paratyphoid, antrax, glanders, gas gangrene and glaucoma.

Documents to this effect, as well as testimony of the accused, were included in the published indictment, which said detachments for bacteriological warfare were dispatched.

One was called "The Administration for Water Supply and Preventative Medicine for Kwangtung Army Detachments." After 1941 it was designated simply as Detachment 731. It was located near Harbin in Manchuria and consisted of a military city with numerous laboratories employing 3,000 workers. The indictment said Gen. Ishii commanded this unit.

Another unit, known after 1941 as Detachment 100, was commanded by Maj. Gen. Wakamatsu. It was located in the village of Motogutsu, south of Changchun. Neither Ishii nor Wakamatsu was named in the indictment.

Four of the 12 mentioned in the indictment were former Japanese generals and the other eight presumably were Army officers of equal or lower rank.

They were accused of a series of crimes of war on April 19, 1943, defining crimes of war.

'Main Street' Gambling on Inflation

NEW YORK — (AP) — Many observers believe that Wall Street, Washington and Pittsburgh and apparently Main Street, too — are betting on inflation ahead.

Brokers report that the public is coming into the stock market, and that there is a noticeable shift from bonds and preferreds to the buying of common stock — both trends usually considered indicators of inflation — mindlessness around the country.

Washington is drafting next year's budget — in a financial atmosphere ruled by deficit financing, which means the pumping of new money into the business stream. Washington also notes that installment credit is rising and that the authority to apply curbs has lapsed. And low interest rates and easy money are still prime policy at the treasury, in spite of Federal Reserve criticism. All these are listed as inflationary.

Pittsburgh sees steel prices going up, and figures that the steel companies wouldn't have taken that step unless they were betting on sustained demand and on general business speed-up.

Steel being an essential raw material for about 40 percent of American industry, a price rise there can only mean higher production costs all along the line.

More important, possibly, are the indications that labor will use the steel price hike as the springboard for asking pay hikes.

Until inflation sets well underway, if it does, the cost of living will show little of its effects. That is because much of it is based on farm prices, and commodities continue to slide slowly if jerkily, down. Rents, however, seem likely to rise. The textile market shows some strength again, so that clothing prices may not decline as much as some once hoped.

Retail prices will still be bolstered in one way or another by Washington. Farm subsidies keep food prices from dropping much. Continued high taxes, the coming hike in the minimum wage, and the talk of imposing a new general 6 percent excise tax, on manufacturer's sales, all would be added in time to the over-the-counter price you would pay for goods.

McLean Firemen Reelect Officers

McLEAN — (Special) — Members of the McLean Volunteer Fire Department met Thursday night of last week for their annual steak dinner, saw education films and then reelected all officers to serve again during the coming year.

The steaks served were even bigger and thicker than usual, and thick steaks have long been a feature of the occasion.

Guests included former Chief John Sparks, former fireman T. N. Holloway, Councilmen E. J. Lander, Guy Beasley, and Guy Miller, and Lester Campbell.

Presenting the movies was Byron Vermillion of the Southwestern Public Service company, Amarillo. One was a safety film, another was entitled, "This Is America," and a third a humorous film telling the story of electricity.

On display was the new rescuator recently bought through the sponsorship of the firemen.

Reelected as officers were: Boyd Meador, chief; Leo Gibson, assistant chief; Marvin Hindman, secretary; Pete Fairlight, hose guard; and Mike Paxon, drill master.

Vice Leader Is Shot Down

DALLAS — (AP) — Repeated blasts from a shotgun rubbed out Lois Green, 31, reputed to be a leader of Dallas underworld, as he stepped into his automobile here early yesterday.

Green was hit several times at close range. He bled profusely from a gaping wound in his throat and died quickly.

Sheriff Bill Decker began a roundup of underworld characters and gamblers. Some came voluntarily and others were routed from their beds.

Decker and his aides were looking for shotguns. By 3 a. m. he had what he called an arsenal in his offices.

The victim, whose full name was Hollis Delois Green, had just left a Christmas party at the Sky-Vue Club here and was entering his automobile when shot down. Persons nearby said they heard six or seven shots.

He was under several indictments and his police record covers three pages. City police believe he headed a mob of ex-convicts involved in robberies, burglaries and narcotics dealings and that it directed rings of prostitutes. The group is believed to have operated in the Dallas area and to have spread activities to other states. He was free on bond on charges of murdering a Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, case on Nov. 21.

Nickel Parking Penalty

LAWRENCEVILLE, Ill. — (AP) — Folks who ignore parking meters used to get off with a warning. But no more. Violators will be summoned to the City Hall to drop a nickel in a parking meter set up in police headquarters.

Approximately \$11,000 was collected in last year's drive in the county for the polo fund. Most of the money was used before the middle of the summer, and Gray County joined the rest of Texas and the nation in an emergency fund drive during the fall.

Merry Christmas

Or we could say it this way . . .

Joyeux Noel
Felix Navidad
Froliche Weihnachten
Glad Yul

IT ALL MEANS THE SAME THING—AND WE MEAN IT WITH ALL OUR HEARTS!

NEAL SPARKS' CLEANERS

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White Deer School Out

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Sam Milligan, as a jolly St. Nicholas, kept the crowd howling with laughter at his witty and appropriate quips as he distributed gifts from the gaily decorated tree.

The dinner was prepared by Mrs. W. H. Bray and her staff at the high school cafeteria. Classes will be resumed Jan. 3.

Courses Available For Navy Reserve

Hope correspondence courses now will be available to all Naval reservists, James C. Mashburn, petty officer in charge, Amarillo Navy Recruiting Substation, said.

Courses on about 240 subjects are now being prepared at the University of Chicago. Many of the courses are expected to be ready early in 1950.

The courses are designed primarily for volunteer reservists who are unable to use the facilities of the organized units and training centers.

Persons interested in Naval Reserve correspondence courses should contact the Navy Recruiting Office, Amarillo.

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mass, broadcast over radio station KPNN, was held with the Rev. Otto Meyer as celebrant, Thomas L. Wade was narrator, the Rev. Francis Kuntz was deacon, and Bernard Brown was subdeacon. Masses today will be held at 8, 7, 9, 10 and 11:30 a. m. The 10 a. m. mass will be the high mass.

Meanwhile, the First Methodist and First Christian Churches will jointly sponsor a special broadcast between 7:45 and 8:30 p. m. today over KPNN. Dr. Orion Carter, Methodist pastor, will deliver the Scripture reading while the Rev. H. H. Tyler, Jr., Christian pastor, will preach the sermon.

THE POSTMAN ALWAYS RINGS TWICE — now that Christmas is almost a thing of the past for another year, he just may find time to hit the door bell a couple of times.

Postmaster W. B. Weathered said yesterday the parcel post window will be open from 3 to 5 p. m. today to accommodate Pampans who were not at home when their parcels were delivered.

The Post Office will be closed all day tomorrow as will the city and county offices and many of the places of business.

The postmaster said three trucks are delivering last-minute Christmas packages today. The local unit of the National Guard is furnishing one of the trucks and has throughout the Christmas rush season.

The Post Office personnel is pleased with the cooperation shown by Pampans this season. Weathered said. The peak day of more than 36,000 parcels was a week before Christmas and all parcels mailed in time have been delivered.

'It's Christmas, And Fine Is \$1

A man who pleaded guilty to attempting to defraud a hotel of its bill was fined \$1 and costs in County Court yesterday.

Since R. E. Wilson of Snyder agreed to pay the Hilton Hotel, 302 W. Foster, \$19.84 for a room he occupied between June 24 and July 2, and, "since it's Christmas," County Judge Bruce Parker set the fine at only \$1.

The judge also ordered released all prisoners in the County Jail except those being held on felony charges.

Dance Given for McLean Teen-Agers

McLEAN — (Special) — A formal dance was given for teenagers and their dates at the American Legion Hall Friday evening.

Music was furnished by the Sunset Ramblers. Hostesses were Mrs. Opal Allison, Mrs. Grace Windsor, and Mrs. Ruth Lowry.

They Get Unexpected Christmas Present

The City Jail was cleaned yesterday of its temporary guests, Police Chief John Wilkinson said. "I never would keep anybody in jail on Christmas Day."

Four men were arrested Friday evening on charges of being intoxicated and were waiting Corporation Court action when the chief swung open the swinging steel doors of the jail and released them last night.

HOLY YEAR

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door at St. Peter's, similar ceremonies were held in Rome by cardinals at the three other patriarchal basilicas — St. Paul's outside the Walls, St. John Lateran and St. Mary Major.

On the square outside St. Mary Major were mobilized 600 Roman police and carabinieri, summoned to prevent interference with the Chamber of Labor Headquarters across the Square. There the disputed peasants meeting had been scheduled after police banned a demonstration at the Colosseum.

The meeting was canceled when only about 200 persons were able to get through the police cordon.

Rome's Communist newspaper *Unita* asked in black headlines: "Is Freedom of Assembly Threatened by the Holy Year?"

It appeared to signal a possible open attack on the church. This the Communists have avoided until now in strongly Catholic Italy.

As the newspaper continued to publish news of St. Peter's birthday celebration last Wednesday, it charged that the pope's address Friday demonstrated his worries "over ties of the Vatican with the imperialism and warmongers."

At St. Peter's the pomp and ceremony of the holy year inaugural stirred the huge crowds to alternating breathless quiet, cheers and applause.

A great shout rose as the pontiff, in his ceremonial robes and heralded by pealing silver trumpets, was carried on his portable throne from the Sistine Chapel to the holy door at the portico of the basilica.

There several hundred dignitaries and representatives of the world press watched with a sudden hush as the pope took the silver hammer presented him by the pope's secretary of state, and struck the door through which 6,000,000 pilgrims are expected to pass during the 1950 holy year.

In his Christmas address Friday Pope Pius had said that "in opening the holy door with three strokes of the hammer we shall be conscious of performing no mere traditional act but a symbolic rite of high import not only for Christians but for the world."

Bonuses Go to White's Workers

Christmas bonuses totaling more than \$22,000 have been given 446 employees of White's Auto Stores, W. Erle White, president of the firm, announced.

All department heads were awarded the equivalent of two weeks' salary, while all other employees, who have been with the company six months or longer, were awarded the equivalent of one week's salary. Employees associated with White's for less than six months participated in the distribution and were awarded \$15 each.

White's Auto Stores instituted the Christmas bonus plan at the outset of the company in 1930. There is one White's store in Pampa.

Lelia Crawford Dies in Groom

Funeral services for Anna Lelia Crawford, 71, will be held at 2 p. m. Monday in the Alameda Baptist Church. The Rev. L. P. Fort will conduct services.

Mrs. Crawford died at 11:48 p. m. Friday in Groom. She had been in ill health for quite some time.

Born Oct. 15, 1878 in Gonzales, Texas, she had lived in Alameda 15 years. She had been living in Groom for the past three months.

She is survived by four daughters: Mrs. J. A. Patterson of Groom; Mrs. L. M. Sprinkle, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Roy Howard, Lefors; Mrs. Jimmie Hill Alnreed; three sons: George Crawford, McLeavel, Okla.; Homer of Allen, Okla.; Fred of Groom.

Other survivors are three brothers: C. N. Simpson and Will Simpson of Fitzhugh, Okla., and J. R. of Roff, Okla.; three sisters, Mrs. Fannie Borgardner, Shawnee, Okla.; Mrs. Horace McFarland, Fitzhugh; and Mrs. Dayton Morgan, also of Fitzhugh.

She is to be buried in Alameda Cemetery by the side of her husband, James B. Crawford, who died Feb. 17, 1938.

Funeral services will be C. J. Hill, O. N. Patterson, J. W. Hill, Marvin Hall, Roy Sherrard and Hartley Davis.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Duane-Carroll Funeral Home.

All Dressed Up—And Only 1 Place That He Can Go

SAN ANTONIO — (AP) — Because he was accidentally decorated like a Christmas tree, a 16-year-old youth Saturday was reposing in the County Jail.

Many delicious pies, cakes and other gooey pastries combined with an uncooperative telephone pole to bring the end to a short-lived crime career.

Police officer Sterling Edwards said he saw a truck, loaded with Christmas pies and cakes crash into a telephone pole Saturday morning.

Antonio Perez earlier had reported that a truck belonging to him had been stolen.

Edwards apprehended the youth who had crashed the truck. It had proven fruitless for him to try to escape in the crowd that gathered. The evidence had stuck to him, Edwards said.

"A big red cherry was on top of his head. He also bore the blue of the raspberry, the yellow of the pumpkin pie, all with a snow white background of frosting. Ah, he was a cherry sight."

The youth may get only one slice of the pie if he has to eat Christmas dinner in jail, Edwards added.

ONCE AGAIN:-- We Reprint Famous Santa Claus Letter to Virginia

(Editor's note: An entire roomful of school children and their teacher the other day asked The Pampa Daily News if there could be published the famous answer to a child's question: Is there a Santa Claus?

(Over 50 years ago it was that a little New York girl, now a growing old, wrote a New York Sun editor, now dead, asking that question. He answered her question and the answer has been published again and again by newspapers throughout the Christian world. Her letter and the answer follow.)

"Dear Editor: I am 8 years old.

"Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus.

"Papa says, 'If you see it in the Sun it's so.'

"Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus?"

"VIRGINIA O'HANLON, '115 West 98th Street."

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

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! How dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus!

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Best Foot Forward

HOLLYWOOD — (AP) — Gertrude Lawrence and Victor Mature met in Hollywood recently for the first time since they worked together in a Broadway play during the war.

"I've been waiting to ask you," said Mature, "what happened to my appendix."

It seems that Mature, then in the Coast Guard, had his appendix cut out, and the British actress asked for it, to sustain it in a war benefit drive.

Somebody actually bought the appendix, packed in a jar, Miss Lawrence recalled, but the buyer, a woman, refused to give her name.

Teaching Unselfishness at Christmas Time Suggested

AP Newsfeatures
 Christmas is a good time for parents to teach junior unselfish ways, according to Miss Norma Alessandrini, of the Children's Recreation Center, Pediatrics Division, Bellevue Hospital.

She adds, however, that parents should not expect too much from three-to-four-year-old tots. "These children need the feeling that there are some things that are theirs alone."

But, at the age of six, says Miss Alessandrini, children are first becoming aware that they belong to a group and to a community. It is then parents can begin to teach them by example and through participation in group activities, that they must share with others in order to enjoy the benefits belonging to all.

And what better time is there, she asks, than at Yuletide, when whole families and communities get together to enjoy the giving and receiving of gifts. "How often have we seen children making a grab for the toys of other children as well as repelling all attempts of other children to play with their toys. This is the time when junior can be taught that if he will let other children play with his toys, he in turn will be permitted to share their toys."

"This is a comparatively simple thing to do, she says, because junior's interest span in any one object, is short. It won't be long before his attention will be di-

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Religious Worker Brings Christmas to 6,000 Inmates in Texas State Prisons



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Written for the AP
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Last year, she worked for days with trustees at Darrington, Ramsey and Retriever Prisons to decorate for Yuletide parties. There were Christmas trees at each place, gay decorations and more than a thousand gaily wrapped gifts. At Darrington, with materials which she supplied, inmates erected a manger scene 30 feet long and 10 feet wide.

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Prisoners have expressed their gratitude in many ways. One inmate stated that it was the first time in 13 years that he had forgotten who or where he was; a second said that the Yuletide party had convinced him that there really was a "Jesus of Nazareth"; another was so impressed by a variety-store manager scene that he asked for the

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A joyous Christmas to all our friends.

FRANKLIN'S
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We look forward each year to sharing with our many friends the brightness and good will of the holiday season.

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School Set Up For Santa Claus

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First carol singers were "waits" of watchmen of London. On Christmas, they sang and blew horns.

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Today's Christmas gifts symbolizing love and friendship include brooches, jewel-drop earrings, filigree bracelets, rings, cuff links, compact and watches.

Merry Christmas

The Night will be hushed (save the Mother Wind's whispered lullaby) . . . and though Santa steps gingerly to the chimney top, nary a little one will hear.

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Hope Chest for Boys Pays Off

Perhaps it does sound a little far-fetched, but many mothers are learning that a cedar chest to keep and protect junior's many sweaters, wadded sports clothes and other juicy moola checked by moth pays off in two ways. First, it saves costly year-to-year replacement and, second, it gives him a good excuse to be cozy. A handy place to put things may will encourage him to be neat.

In selecting a chest for the boy's room, pick out a plain, simple chest with a masculine, tailored appearance. Go the opposite way in getting a cedar hope chest for her. She wants one with loads of ornate, feminine details to harmonize with the more fully nature of her room.

The consumption of Christmas trees in the United States averages about one tree per ten people. The Eastern part of the country imports many of its trees from Canada, but the West

Greetings
 FOR THE SEASON AND OUR BEST WISHES FOR THE COMING NEW YEAR!
MACK'S SHOE SHOP

either to the Budget Director or the President for more money. The Budget Bureau constantly is pressured by the lobbies and organized groups, just as Congress is. And some of the government agencies themselves do some high-powered lobbying and pressuring when the matter gets

Wishing You and Yours a Joyous Christmas

RADCLIFF SUPPLY CO.

112 E. Brown

A Very Merry Christmas to All our friends and a Happy New Year, too!

Once again, at the close of another year we are mindful of the importance of your good will and friendship. With the holiday season at hand we are most anxious to wish everyone the Merriest Christmas ever and a New Year filled with happiness and success.

CRETNEY DRUG STORES

L. G. CLOSE	DANNY HAWTHORN
GORDON RICE	MAUDE HINDS
JOE GREEN	CLARA HILL
SUNNY DANNER	MAUDE HAYS
MARY PEARCE	BARBARA MAY
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PAULINE KERR	JENNIE APPLETON
BILLIE LEWIS	BOBBIE JEAN SARGENT
MAXINE KING	CLARA FURNISH
JUNE JOHNSON	

CALVIN FOSTER, Manager

Extending the Greetings of the Season

It is our fondest hope that this Christmas Day be filled with many warm and pleasant moments for you! And that the New Year brings you the fulfillment of all the sincere wishes that have been extended to you in the spirit of the Holiday Season!

JERRY BOSTON'S SUPERETTE MARKET

210 N. WARD PHONE 1796

Fine Foods Low Prices

Republics of Middle America Celebrate Christmastime With Special Festivities

Although the eleven Middle American republics don't display the familiar Santa Claus figure in their department stores, nor decorate their streets and front yards with electrically illuminated trees, that does not mean they fail to celebrate the Christmas holidays in their own equally imaginative ways. In place of hanging up stockings on Christmas Eve to await Saint Nick, the children of those countries celebrate with fireworks and music and gay costumes.

There is no white Christmas in Middle America either, for the holiday season comes in mid-summer weather there. Rather than the U. S.'s snowbound indoor festivities much of the holiday observance is outdoors on the sunny streets.

In Guatemala, Costa Rica and Cuba women in brightly colored holiday costumes carry images of the Virgin in outdoor processions during the two or three weeks immediately preceding Christmas.

Families in El Salvador, Panama and Mexico prepare replicas of the nacimiento, or manger, complete with tiny clay or wooden figurines of Joseph and Mary, the angels and the shepherds, which are displayed throughout the season.

In Mexico, religious families often begin their holidays on Dec. 6 by reenacting the search for Joseph and Mary for an inn. Throughout the next three weeks

nearly every patio is strung with colored lanterns and a "pinata." The "pinata" is a large clay jar shaped like a bird or animal. It is filled with fruits and nuts and candies at which the children, blindfolded, strike with long sticks until the jar breaks and the sweets tumble out to be shared by all. Finally, on Jan. 6, the last day of the holiday period, children receive toys and gifts not from Santa Claus — but from the three Magi.

Christmas is a gay season in the island republic of Cuba. Before the Capitol building in Havana a huge tree is laden with gifts for the city's children. Christmas Day is one of great gaiety with festivities beginning with champagne suppers on Christmas Eve. There also the most important celebration is reserved for Jan. 6 when presents from the Magi are distributed.

Colombian festivities begin a week prior to Christmas with great ceremonies in the churches, and, as in most of the middle American countries, the children receive the greatest share of the gifts and holiday attention.

In all the middle American republics the traditional holidays are celebrated with wholehearted joy and enthusiasm. Fireworks climax the festivities in most of them and marimba bands play in the hunting-decorated public parks, while whole families trek from farm to farm, or village to village, visiting relatives and friends or simply picnicking in the sun and joining in community merrymaking. Masked paraders beat drums in the street to celebrate the birth of the Christ-child.



"THERE AIN'T NO WHAT!?"—Domenick Loicero, age 2, of New York, finds little cause to doubt the Santa Claus story, surrounded as he is by a whole platoon of sidewalk Santas. The merry men are part of a 24 Santa Claus contingent sent out by the Volunteers of America to seek donations. Each of the old gentlemen attended a special three-day course in department before setting to work.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

The season of hope and good cheer is at hand, and to friends and neighbors we send our sincere greetings.

From Billie and Al at
THE SOUTHERN CLUB

With Best Wishes

May all the joys of Christmas be yours and may your New Year overflow with happiness.

(RED) VIRGIL ROMACK
OWNER
OWL LIQUOR STORE

WOODIE AND JACK AND THE ENTIRE CREW AT BOYLES NASH COMPANY

Wish all their customers and friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Writer Seeks Society Against Neckties as Christmas Gifts

By HAL BOYLE
NEW YORK — (AP) — There ought to be a society to prevent the presentation of neckties as Christmas gifts.

But there isn't. So again this year some 50,000,000 or more writhing American males will be showered with an unwelcome collection of tonal mufflers. Women insist on giving men ties, and they pick them on one of two principles:

1. As if they were buying drapes, or
2. As if they were selecting a lining for their husband's coffin.

What can be done about this annual misery? Well, the cowardly way out is to go ahead and wear the things.

But there are bolder ways out for men who still pride themselves on rugged individualism. A simple exit for the problem is merely to stuff the ties down the nearest incinerator. Or bribe the janitor to take them.

These techniques, however, show little imagination. A little survey I made disclosed several more original methods of dealing with this plague.

"I am saving mine up until I have enough to hang Santa Claus," one angry gentleman reported.

Another man said he had found it easy to cure his wife of giving him neckties. "I just started wearing them with my tuxedo," he said. "She didn't talk to me for a week (is that bad?) But she hasn't given me a tie since."

150 Texas Orphans Have Yuletide Party

COMMERCE — (AP) — About 150 Texas orphans had a big time early this month at a Christmas party given for them by East Texas State Teachers College students.

But James Saunders of Greenville, president of the student association, said, "we got more fun out of it than the boys and girls did."

The children, aged five to nine, were brought to the college from Boles' Home, Quinlan, and State Home, Corsicana.

KITCHENS DANGEROUS

CHICAGO — (AP) — Quarrelling husbands and wives should stay out of the kitchen — if they want to avoid adding injury to insult. A study of divorce suits filed here in one week showed that the kitchen was the scene of nine out of every ten battles in which something was thrown.

Sprigs of holly were exchanged as good wish tokens at the Roman festival of Saturnalia.

The first U. S. lighthouse was built in 1791 on Cape Henry, Va.

Christmas Greetings

And Best Wishes for the New Year!

BoB Clements Men's Wear
114 W. FOSTER PHONE 1942

We take this opportunity to thank you, our customers, for your faith which made this year our biggest prescription business year in our history!

WE WISH YOU AND YOURS A

Merry Christmas

FROM:

GUESS WHO?

AND THE ENTIRE STAFF

RICHARD DRUG

Pampa's Leading Prescription Laboratory for 25 Years
107 W. Kingsmill Phone 1240

Merry Christmas!

May your holiday be merry, your tree laden with good things and your happiness unending. Simple pleasures of the old-fashioned, homespun variety are still the most enjoyable at Christmas time, even in this streamlined age! So in the modern manner, with old-fashioned sincerity, we say, "Merry, Merry Christmas!"

The Personnel
Friendly Men's Wear

Some Toys Carry Danger to Children

NEW YORK — Safe toys for Christmas are urged by the National Board of Fire Underwriters, pointing out that fire is the leading accidental killer of children

in the home. Fire annually takes the lives of 2,000 children under 5 years of age, the board reports. Toys requiring alcohol, kerosene, gasoline and carbide lamps are declared hazardous for juvenile hands. Parents are urged to

supervise any playing with electrical toys. Greeting card manufacturers sell more Christmas cards than any other kind, even valentines. Easter and Mother's and Father's Day cards are far down on the list.

Resolved: Not to Break 'Em Too Soon

By CYNTHIA LOWRY
AP Newsfeatures Writer

WHEREAS the new year approacheth, therefore be it firmly resolved that I will not go on a desperate diet just because someone says, "H-m-m, aren't you putting on a little weight?"

RESOLVED that I'll stop running for trains (there's always another one . . . oh, I suppose I could get up a few minutes earlier . . .)

RESOLVED that I cease taking intuitive flyers at grand slams and psychological doubles.

RESOLVED that I'll pretend it's a new one when I hear an old joke repeated.

RESOLVED that I'll buckle in to some detective stories and stop this nonsense about applying myself to literature.

RESOLVED that I'll never try to put another washer in a leaky faucet.

RESOLVED that I'll cease pampering the family cat, the real ruler of the household.

RESOLVED that I'll have the tires and battery checked every time I get gasoline for the car.

RESOLVED that I won't think the other person is at fault every time I feel grouchy or tired.

RESOLVED that I won't buy clothes a size skimpy with the idea I'll slim down into it.

RESOLVED that I'll buy a new alarm clock.

RESOLVED that I'll make my tired mink-dyed muskrat last another season, even if it looks much more than it's age.

RESOLVED that I'll never again try to paint and put up storm windows and - or screens.

RESOLVED that I'll clean and grease garden tools and lawn mower before storing for the winter.

RESOLVED that I'll buy a new umbrella - and rubbers - or at least hunt for the gross or more I've lost or mislaid.

RESOLVED that I'll treat poison ivy with respect even if I think I'm immune, and will learn to identify poison sumac.

RESOLVED that I won't throw cigarette butts and old wrapping paper in the fire place.

RESOLVED that I won't fall in love with and buy any dresses which don't go with current accessories and which must be worn until threadbare.

RESOLVED that I won't make like an expert on the air lift, television, Celtic history, modern art, election results or anything else I know about from nothing.

RESOLVED that I won't be upset if I break all of the foregoing on or immediately after Jan. 1, 1950.

Holy Year Has Quota Of Oddities

VATICAN CITY — (AP) — "Angelic airplanes" to help put 1950 Holy Year pilgrims in a pious mood is one of the odd suggestions received by the Holy Year Central Committee.

It doubtless will not be adopted, but it recalls oddities of past jubilees.

In 1625, Pope Urban VIII, as a measure of penance and as "decorum and cleanliness" forbade the clergy to chew tobacco in church during the jubilee of that year.

A hundred years later — in the 1725 Holy Year — Pope Benedict XIII lifted the excommunication and fines that had been imposed by Pope Innocent I against priests who chewed tobacco.

This Pontiff, following the example of Pope Clement VIII and of Pope Innocent X, who had prohibited games and carnivals.

That same year, chroniclers say, grasshoppers infested the fields about Rome and threatened crops. The Pope appeared on the loggia of Saint John Lateran and pronounced a solemn exorcism against the insects. The insects rapidly disappeared, it was re-

It Was A Beautiful Christmas Tree

BROOKLYN, N. Y. — (AP) — It Clarence Horn, Jr., wakes up this Christmas and finds an iron railing around his Christmas tree, you can't blame his father.

Last year, Clarence, Jr., at the age of 3, didn't want to go to sleep on Christmas Eve, preferring to stay awake to see Santa Claus.

This created a serious handicap for Clarence Horn, Sr., faced with a seasonal decorating job.

But the Sand Man finally prevailed over Santa Claus and Pop was able to get that job done.

It seemed to Horn that he had just got to sleep when he was awakened at 3 a. m., by Clarence, Jr., dragging into the bedroom a big Christmas tree leaving a wake of baubles.

"Look, Daddy! What Sanky Claus bring me!" cried the delighted youngster.

The following Holy Year, 1750, Pope Benedict IV prohibited use of theater music in churches and began the reform for sacred music that was to lead later to a rich treasury of church music.

The streets of Rome were illuminated with lamp light for the first time during the 1775 jubilee — one year before the American Revolution.

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As children's favorite Christmas ditty "Up on the House" (aka "Good St. Nick") was sung in 1864. The author is Benjamin R. Hanby, who is better known as the composer of "Darling Nellie Gray."



Merry Christmas

Once again we pause as another joy-filled Yuletide season arrives, to wish our many patrons and friends prosperity, health, contentment and peace this Christmas Day and throughout the year to follow.

Thompson Hardware Co.
118 NORTH CUYLER PHONE 48



Greetings—
and best wishes to our friends and patrons for a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

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216 n. russell



Best Wishes for Christmas.


As all hearts echo and re-echo the joyous words "Merry Christmas", we wish to join in the spirit of the season and add our greetings to all the rest. And may the New Year bring you every happiness, too!

FRANK AND ROSE
MARDELLE HAWKINS
MRS. BETTY AULDS
MRS. COLEEN RICE
MARY ELLEN HAWKINS

Let's Jewels
Lambert Building

Christmas Dinner Starts in April

NEW YORK — (AP) — Turkeys grow fast. Slightly larger than a baby chick at hatching, they quickly attain a size that dwarfs the chicken. Turkeys hatched in April are even size by Thanksgiving or Christmas. Some of them, the males particularly, attain a weight of 25 pounds or so in that time.



Merry Christmas

Since we cannot shake each one of you by the hand to give you our good wishes personally—we want to take this opportunity to express our hopes that this Christmas and the coming New Year be one of joy and goodness for each and every one of you—our friends and patrons.

T. ELMER FRANCIS
OWNER

GOOD WISHES TO ALL OF YOU FROM ALL OF US AT

ELMER'S SUPER MARKET

CORNER BARNES AT FREDRICK PHONE 2282



Merry Christmas to All

MAY the spirit of hospitality and friendliness, so typical of the Christmas Season, remain with you throughout the year and brighten the associations you share with others.

SIMMONS

The Panhandle's Largest-Exclusive Children's Wear Store
108 SOUTH CUYLER PHONE 328

Unusual Legends Lie Behind Modern Yuletide Flowers

Many unusual and picturesque tales have been told about the modern usage of Christmas flowers. Although they are legendary, the carefully spun bits of folklore provide a colorful background for present day flower decorations which are used during the Christmas season.

Holly, with its red berries, dark green leaves and needle-like spikes is a light-hearted symbol of friendship and good will when December arrives. According to legend, though, holly originally was used as an instrument of cruelty. The crown of thorns which Christ wore was fashioned from holly. Prior to the Crucifixion the plant bore white berries but after the Crucifixion the berries turned a blood-red crimson. Mistletoe, a close associate of holly, is said to have been the wood from which Christ's cross was made.

One of the most beautiful legends woven around Christmas flowers concerns the Christmas rose. While enroute to Bethlehem the Wise Men crossed the path of a little shepherdess named Madelon. Enraptured at the wondrous tale about the birth of Christ which they related, she was heart-broken because she had no gift to offer.

While she was crying she detected a sweet-smelling aroma and looked up. Standing next to her was an angel who inquired the reason for her sadness. Madelon explained that while she wanted to pay homage to the newly born Babe, she didn't even have a single, beautiful flower such as grew in the fields in the summer to give Him. The angel waved her arm and a stunning bunch of gorgeous, snowy white Christmas roses appeared.

Madelon gathered her precious gift in her arms and hurried off to Bethlehem where the Wise men had gone. After the Wise Men's offerings of gold, frankincense and myrrh, she humbly proffered her flowers to the tiny Infant, who stretched out a hand to touch the roses. His fingers lightly brushed the immaculate petals and immediately they changed to a delicate pink.

Poinsettias which head the popularity list of Christmas flowers, ironically enough do not have any legends attached to them because of their recent introduction. In the beginning of the last century the poinsettia was introduced by J. R. Poinsett, an American politician and diplomat.

For years evergreens have flourished in homes at Christmastide to create a woody, outdoor atmosphere. In the aged line "hang up the holly, the box and the bay" it is significant to note that two of the plants mentioned, box and bay, are mentioned in Holy Scriptures as thriving on the mountains of Lebanon in the Holy Land.

Because of its symmetrical leaves, bay has been used for design throughout the ages. The Greeks used it on their coins and the Romans, too, favored it as a beautiful show piece. Today bay shrubbery graces the entrances to many American homes at Yuletide.

Cedar, which furnishes greens for Christmas, likewise existed in Lebanon. The people of Lebanon regarded cedar as a symbol of endurance, strength, life and eternity. Recognized by its characteristic, pleasant aroma, cedar also was an emblem of purity because its treelopes were frequently covered with snow during a large part of the year.

An old-time favorite of sailors who visited Mediterranean ports was rosemary because of the aromatic perfume the plant yielded. Familiar to most Americans as a straggling hedge plant, rosemary droops in massive festoons 12 feet long in its native Italy.

Legend has it that the flowers were colorless until the Blessed Virgin, during the flight into Egypt, hung the clothes of Jesus on rosemary bushes to dry. Thereafter, rosemary bushes blossomed forth with their sparkling blue flowers.

The hawthorn bush with its white or red flowers originally was the May tree of the Old World. Peculiarly, the bush never blooms in May. According to historians, Joseph of Arimathea went to England and on the completion of his pilgrimage at the Abbey of Glastonbury he pushed his staff into the ground where it burst forth leaves and flowers. Since then the hawthorn bush always flowers at Christmas, which is out of its regular season.

Art Masterpieces Popular on Christmas Cards



The great religious paintings of Renaissance Italy, Holland, and France have never lost their warm appeal for the American public. The popularity of religious Christmas cards has reached an all-time peak, with reproductions of the Old Masters in heavy demand. Best loved are Raphael's famed "Madonna of the Chair" and "Holy Family With Lamb," and Murillo's painting of the Holy Mother with angels. The "Madonna of the Stable" is by a modern master, Bertel Hummel, the Bavarian nun who died in 1946 at the age of 37 after devoting her life to painting children, angels, and Bethlehem scenes.

East Texas' Variety of Santa To Entertain Some 500 Children

TYLER — (AP) — Neal Cain, East Texas variety of Santa Claus, is most of what Christmas represents to more than 500 children who will troop through his farm home during Christmas week.

They will be joyous with the gifts he provides. A clear-eyed little man, Neal lives in a farm house at Garden Valley, in northwestern Smith county.

With him in his benevolence is Mrs. Cain, who shares her husband's love for the children. The Cains have no children of their own.

For 12 years they set up their Christmas tree in nearby Elm Grove schoolhouse, where Mrs. Cain was a teacher. When the school was transferred several miles away to Van, the couple began to have the children come to their home.

The first year 240 came. The next there were three times that number, and this year they have nearly 500 names for gifts.



HAS CHRIST ROLE — Neal Cain (above), 37-year-old innkeeper, has been chosen to play the leading role of Christ in 1950 Passion Play at Oberammergau, Germany.

Yule Safety Tips Offered

Christmas, the merriest time of the year, frequently is the time of unexpected disaster.

In our effort to have a bright and gay household, we burn more lights than usual, tacking our electric light circuits, we use lighted candles and lots of paper decorations, all fire hazards.

There are very few Christmas trees that really are flameproof safety experts tell us, and the ordinary Yule tree is one of the most flammable objects known.

If you want to have a safe Christmas observe these rules:

1. Keep the Christmas tree outdoors until ready to install it. Place it in the coolest part of the house, shutting off the radiator closest to it. Do not put electric trains around it. Be sure tree lights do not burn when no one is in the house. If needles near lights start to turn brown change the location of the lights. When needles start falling, it is time to discard the tree.
2. Avoid decorations near chairs where people may smoke. If lights are desired in windows, do not use candles. Keep curtains and other flammable material pulled back at least six inches from electric light. Use non-flammable decorations of glass or metal and "fireproof" snow in decorating. Dispose of all gift wrappings and packing materials after gifts have been opened.

Glacier National Park, Montana, has more than 1,000 miles of trails.

Half-Way Mark Near For Century

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK — (AP) — The 20th Century reaches the halfway mark Jan. 1 — but halfway to where?

This is one of the oracles haven't figured out. Has it taken mankind halfway to the all-but-perfect life, or halfway on the road back to the silence of the jungle?

At 50 the 20th Century has a few circles under its eyes and undoubtedly it is hoping, as we all do, that the first 50 years are the hardest. They have been years of tremendous progress in many ways, and an equal number of years of promise lie ahead.

No century ever dawned in brighter hope. Across the land there were many "century balls" held the last night of 1899. And when midnight struck the dancing throngs cheered, and women wept, wondering what the next 100 years would bring to them, their children and their children's children.

It was a great century that died that night, for the 19th Century saw the spread of the scientific spirit and popular education. It was the century that said goodbye to the horse and hello to the gasoline engine.

It was the century that struck off the fetters from the mind of man, and in many ways the 20th Century is only carrying on its reforms. Among them are equal political status for women, shortening of the work week and increase of leisure, and a rising standard of living.

At the midmark our present century is still unlocking the atom's secret, a power source for good or evil more epoch-making than the gasoline engine. Medical science has whipped a dozen age-old diseases in the last 50 years, but the biggest problems — cancer and heart disease — kill more than ever.

Man may be healthier, but he still hasn't found ease of mind. There aren't enough psychiatrists' couches for the people who want to lie on them and tell their troubles.

This is true despite the fact that money and life seem safer than they did in 1899, and men and women have more certainty of looking forward to an old age free of financial worry.

Perhaps the reason for this is that, despite its material progress, the 20th Century has done so little to end the spiritual unrest that arises from man's timeless war against himself.

Others will come without previous notice. There will be a present for all of them.

Last year 45 children from Boles Home at Quinlan, Hunt County, 70 miles away, made the trip by bus to the Cain Christmas party.

Throughout the year, the Cains save the pennies they receive in change from purchases, and use them for fruit and candy. They buy and are given hundreds of other articles, such as combs, tooth brushes, toys, shoes, socks, and sweaters.

Holiday Greetings to All

Ead's Poultry & Egg

Dear Santa Dear Diary Dear Me

By CYNTHIA LOWRY
AP Features Writer

All I want in my Christmas stocking is a diary.

Not just any diary, but a one-year, big one, leather-bound and designed to endure through the years.

After considerable reading of biographies and autobiographies, I have decided to become what I believe is known as a diarist.

It is pretty apparent that all people who are walking toward greatness or even success manage somehow in their busy lives to keep a journal of their doings. Obviously most people don't know they are going to be fascinating enough to rate a book so millions of people must scribble down their doings, thoughts and perceptions just on a long chance.

Take Mrs. Roosevelt, for instance. She undoubtedly has been keeping diaries and letters since girlhood. If she hadn't managed to note down her activities day-by-day she could never have written any of her books.

Mr. Churchill kept a meticulous journal and it's been money in the bank. Even military men, such as General Eisenhower, have some sort of a diary system which can be turned into volumes and royalties.

I read the other day that Zaharoff, the mystery man of Monaco, kept a journal of impressions for years — and that they were burned without anyone else ever reading them. This is the one kind of diary which I do not propose to keep.

An elderly relative of my family, never a writing man, turned up a diary he had written some 60 years ago. He spent days pouring over his young manhood. He was proud as punch of it, but as far as I could tell it gave a day-by-day report on the weather, the number of head colds current in the family and the number of miles he had walked each day to undiluted destinations. Anyway it was fun for him to read in his twilight years.

About a year ago I decided I'd note down some day-to-day impressions myself, and set aside a dime notebook for the express purpose. Now only a few months later, I find four entries in it, mostly concerned with climate, clothes I wore and confusing initials, obviously referring to people, but I don't know who.

The rest of the notebook is filled with numbers, scratched in the course of balancing a bank book, and doodles which a psychiatrist would find more interesting than a historian.

I'm going to give diary-keeping one more chance by getting a journal that will give me a chance to expand. I shall note down all amusing remarks I hear, mention all the famous people I see or hear about and keep away from items like "must buy stockings." But I shan't run afoul of the old diarist's trick of confiding my heart's desire, complete with initials. That's gotten too many people in trouble already.

Becoming a diarist is my one bid for posterity. Who knows? If I copy enough items from the gossip columns, some day I may be able to write my memoirs.

MARY CHRISTMAS

In Ireland an old custom was that Christmas candles could only be snuffed by a girl named Mary.

The most popular Christmas trees are balsam, fir and spruce, but the red cedar, Douglas fir and white fir are also in demand.

an old-fashioned

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Old times and the carefree pleasures of other days are recalled as we enter another Holiday Season. In the spirit of remembering friends and associations of the past, we extend our greetings to all!

CITY DRUG STORE

300 W. FOSTER PHONE 266

Holiday Greetings

Studio Girl Cosmetics
Or Dial

It wishes FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS

May your Yule-tide be joyous and bright... with the fullest measure of happiness and contentment!

CORNER DRUG

ALCOCK PHONE 3902

Greetings

It is our sincerest wish that the spirit of friendliness and good fellowship will make your Christmas a merry one—and that the New Year will bring to you a full measure of good health, success, and happiness.

LONE STAR BEVERAGE CO.

EAST TYNG PHONE 1184

OWNED AND OPERATED BY SAM C. DUNN

GREETINGS

With the realization that each passing year brings a fuller appreciation of old friends and pleasant associations, we extend to you our sincerest wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Berry's Pharmacy

Tough Job Idea For Santa Claus

CHICAGO — (AP) — Give the kids Christmas gifts that will make them use their heads and hands, advises Miss Melba Reay, instructor of arts and crafts at George Williams College, Chicago.

"Because most toys are ready-made, children are learning to expect ready-made answers or printed instructions for all of life's problems and never have a chance to develop the imaginative, creative spirit and skill that are so urgently needed in the adult world," she says. "Children need practice in executing their own ideas with their hands."

The British Postoffice once gave Christmas gifts to many of its customers in the form of a waiver of all "postage due" on air-mail letters during the pre-Christmas fortnight.

Vegetarian Fish to Get Spinach This Christmas

By JANE EADS
 WASHINGTON — Vegetarians among the fish family of Fred G. Orsinger, director of the fish and wildlife service's aquarium in the Commerce Department building, will get a special helping of spinach for Christmas. Other fish, who Orsinger says hate spinach worse than our own small fry, will get special helpings of fried beef heart. As for Ollie Orsinger, the jovial director's understanding but really long-suffering better half, she'll get \$5 for groceries and a special cilling of her vacuum cleaner and electric washing machine. That's what Fred says, but of course he's kidding. "Hey, what's the use of being serious, anyway?" Fred queries, his grey eyes twinkling. "Nobody wants a lot of stuffiness. The folks I know prefer just plain garden-variety nonsense." Orsinger added that Ollie would probably up his weekly 50-cent allowance to a dollar for the holiday. "We've been married 43 years," he said, "and Ollie has never been stingy yet." Seriously, though, Orsinger has done a great deal to build up the aquarium. He loves his job and his fish family, and it is with deep regret he is forced by

Happy Hollywood Family



Happily married for 20 years, screen star George Murphy defies the Hollywood jinx against home life. Still a contented family man 12 years after he brought his wife Julie, former New York night-club dancer, to the film capital, he sees nothing but smooth marital sailing ahead. They attribute their happiness in large part to their children, 3-year-old Melissa ("Missy") and Dennis, 8, who, above, have cornered George for a reading session.

Different Hollywood Story

By ESKINE JOHNSON
 NEA Staff Correspondent
 HOLLYWOOD — (NEA) — It just doesn't seem fair. George Murphy and his lovely Julie are soiling Hollywood's reputation. Messing up the whole town they are. A Hollywood couple married 20 years come Dec. 25. Twenty years without a single separation, or a single reconciliation in a Hollywood night club. Twenty years of domestic happiness, 12 of them spent in Hollywood. That's George and Julie. Hollywood must be pretty mad at them. Social outcasts, no doubt. People probably whisper behind their backs: "There go George and Julie Murphy. Married 20 years. They think it's cute to be seen with each other." What's Hollywood coming to? George is even working in a new movie titled "The Rich Full Life."

WHAT'S THE SECRET? How do they do it? "Well," George said, "one of our friends, John McLain, says we're so unattractive that no one else would have us. But I really don't believe that." "There's a waitress at M-G-M who is very fond of me, and I don't know how Julie got that new washing-machine. She must have been nice to somebody." They had some pretty good ideas, though. Said George: "I leave studio problems at the studio." Said Julie: "I never bother George with home problems." "When I have a date with my husband," said Julie, "I never forget that it's a date with my best boy-friend." Then there's Julie's problem at the previews of George's pictures. "I remember only one thing," she said. "I don't count the footage in the embraces." There is no problem of professional jealousy in the Murphy home, although Julie was a star before George. That was back in the days when he was a runner on Wall street and she was a New York night-club dancing star. George fell for her, learned to dance. They teamed up professionally, then for life. NO "CAREER" FOR JULIE Julie retired when George became the star of the family. And she retired for keeps. The studios wanted Julie in the worst way when the Murphys arrived in Hollywood 12 years ago. "We'd like to talk to your

take it together. And remember that the marriage vows don't mean that the courtship is over." Children help to keep a home happy, too. The Murphys have two, Melissa ("Missy"), 3, and Dennis, 8. "As a perennial juvenile, I shouldn't even be admitting I've been married for 20 years," George added. He was still chuckling over what M-G-M told him when he started work as Elisabeth Taylor's

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Lloyd Hamilton and Dean Monday

French vs. U.S. Wines Discussed

HOLLYWOOD — (AP) — There is room for both French and California wines on America's dinner tables, says Earnest Des Baillets, a vintage connoisseur. France has yet to be surpassed in making "really fine" wines, but it can't compete with lower cost wines produced in the U. S. Des Baillets expressed these views after returning from a 23-day tour of such French vineyard areas as Anjou, Touraine, Bordeaux, Cotes-du-Rhone, Alsace, Champagne and Cognac. Fine French wines are tops, he said, because of differences in climate and soil and the more personal supervision of the product. Des Baillets added that contrary to some reports, the Germans did not take the best wines out of France. A raindrop an eighth of an inch in diameter contains as much water as several millions of the droplets that form the average cloud. drating it and making it into food and fertilizer." First off, though, Orsinger is concerned with replenishing the fish and wild life aquarium. There are still a lot of fish he wants to get for the big glass tanks that draw hundreds to the commerce building weekly. "I want everything to be in fine condition when I sign off from the job," he said.

French vs. U.S. Wines Discussed

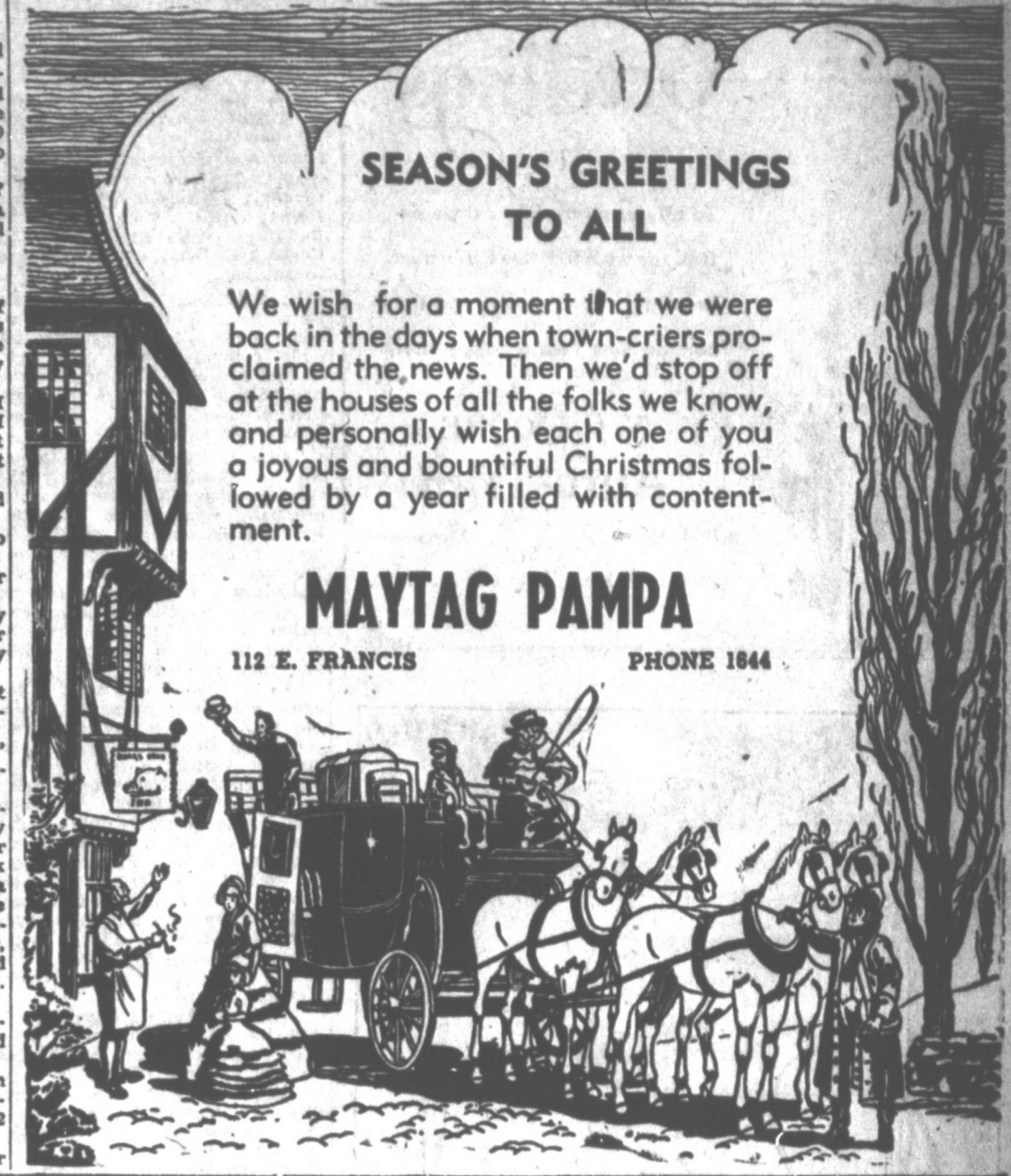
He has had three offers. Miami University on the Keys is about to open a new aquarium. They would like to have a man of Orsinger's experience take it over. Some people in Havana are steamed up about a "new, modern, wonderful Gulf stream aquarium." They have spoken to Orsinger, too. Then Capt. William Young of Pass Christian, Miss., a shark fan for many years and author of a recent book called "Shark, Shark!" offered him a job to handle a new aquarium he's interested in setting up in his home town. "It will be sort of a glorified Coney Island type of thing," said Orsinger. "But it would be very interesting." Capt. Young has collected sharks for years and developed a way of making leather for shoes and so forth. He also developed a way of taking waste fish, dehy-

SEASON'S GREETINGS TO ALL

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ELEPHANT STROLL COSTLY
HAMBURG — (AP) — Nelly, a fugitive elephant from a German circus, took an expensive stroll through the streets of Hamburg recently. She bowed over a candy stand and ate ten pounds of chocolate. Then she topped off her meal with razor blades, a hair brush, and a bar of soap plucked with her trunk from the pocket of a petrified bystander.
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'We Three Kings . . . ' First American Christmas Carol

By VIVIAN BROWN
 AP New-features Writer
 Ever since the first angels sang their joyous Christmas carol "Gloria to God in the highest . . ." melodic themes have been part of our Yuletide tradition.

Now everything is in readiness — music boxes and church organs are being tuned, carolers are getting set to resound their familiar role, gay little bells are getting ready to tinkle, even on Christmas cards.

Many of this year's Christmas cards have gone musical. Some of them carry words and four-part harmonies of famous Christmas carols, just as they might appear in a hymn book, to answer popular demand.

Strolling minstrels sang Christmas Carols even back in the 13th Century. Although public performance of Christmas carols was forbidden by the Puritans in 17th Century England, carols managed to survive.

Most of today's famous carols have been written since then. Some were set to music by famous composers such as Bach, Handel and Mendelssohn. Others, like "Silent Night," are the creation of inspired but otherwise unknown composers.

"Adeste Fideles," ("O Come, All Ye Faithful"), probably the most popular of Christmas carols, originally was written in Latin, but now is sung in 76 different languages, though in translation the words do not rhyme. Some historians credit the words to of Albano, prominent teacher and writer of the 13th Century, to others the origin of both words and tune is obscure.

"Silent Night" was written because some mice happened to nibble at the bellows of a church organ at Oberndorf, near Salzburg in Austria, a few days before Christmas. The young parish priest, Joseph Mohr, returning from some priestly duties, sat down that night in 1818 and composed the verses. Franz Gruber, the school master and organist composed the music the next day, and that evening midnight mass was blessed with a new song which was sung by Father Mohr with Franz Gruber accompanying him on a guitar.

"Hark, the Herald Angels Sing" was the most popular of the 6,000 poems composed by Charles Wesley, younger brother of John Wesley, who founded the Methodist denomination. Charles got the idea for the hymn from the pealing of bells as he walked to church on Christmas morning in 1730. The melody is from a cantata written by Mendelssohn in 1840 to commemorate the invention of printing. The famous composer observed that the music had a "soldier-like and buxom motion" and would "never do to sacred words." Other popular Christmas carols are:

"The First Noel" . . . A medieval shepherd's tune, probably of French origin, although first printed in English.

"Joy to the World" . . . Written by an Englishman named Isaac Watts in 1710, based on the 97th Psalm. Tune is from Handel's "Messiah."

"Deck The Halls" . . . An old Welsh tune of obscure origin. Mozart once used it for a piano-violin duet.

"Away In A Manger" . . . Some say that Martin Luther wrote this for his own children, who formed a domestic choir. Others say that it was written by an unknown composer.

"Good King Wenceslaus" . . . Originally a spring-time song of happiness. In Bohemia, where Wenceslaus ruled in the Tenth Century, street singers used to make their appearance in warm weather and sing about the legendary king's extreme generosity.

"Cantique De Noel" — "O Holy Night" . . . Written by Adolphe Adam, French composer who only is remembered for this beautiful hymn, though he wrote 69 operas. "We Three Kings of Orient Are" . . . The first all-American Christmas carol composed in 1857 by John Henry Hopkins, an Episcopal clergyman who created both the words and music. It is believed that it originally was intended for a church pageant.

"O Little Town of Bethlehem," one of the most popular of Christmas hymns, was written by Bishop Phillips Brooks while rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity in Philadelphia in 1865, shortly after he visited the Holy Land. It was first sung by his Sunday school class that Christmas to music composed by Lewis H. Redner, the church organist.

The Rural Electrification Administration has found chemicals the best means of controlling brush along power line rights-of-way.

LATIN STILL LIVES

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The way it's taught here, Latin is far from a "dead" language. About 11 percent of District of Columbia high school students signed up for Latin and 15 percent of junior high school students. Mrs. Emilie M. White has

carried out a policy of making Latin "live" by introducing students to words and phrases in modern usage. "Like 'inbas corpus' and 'ex post facto'."

In the days of King Canute, the British Isles were forest country.



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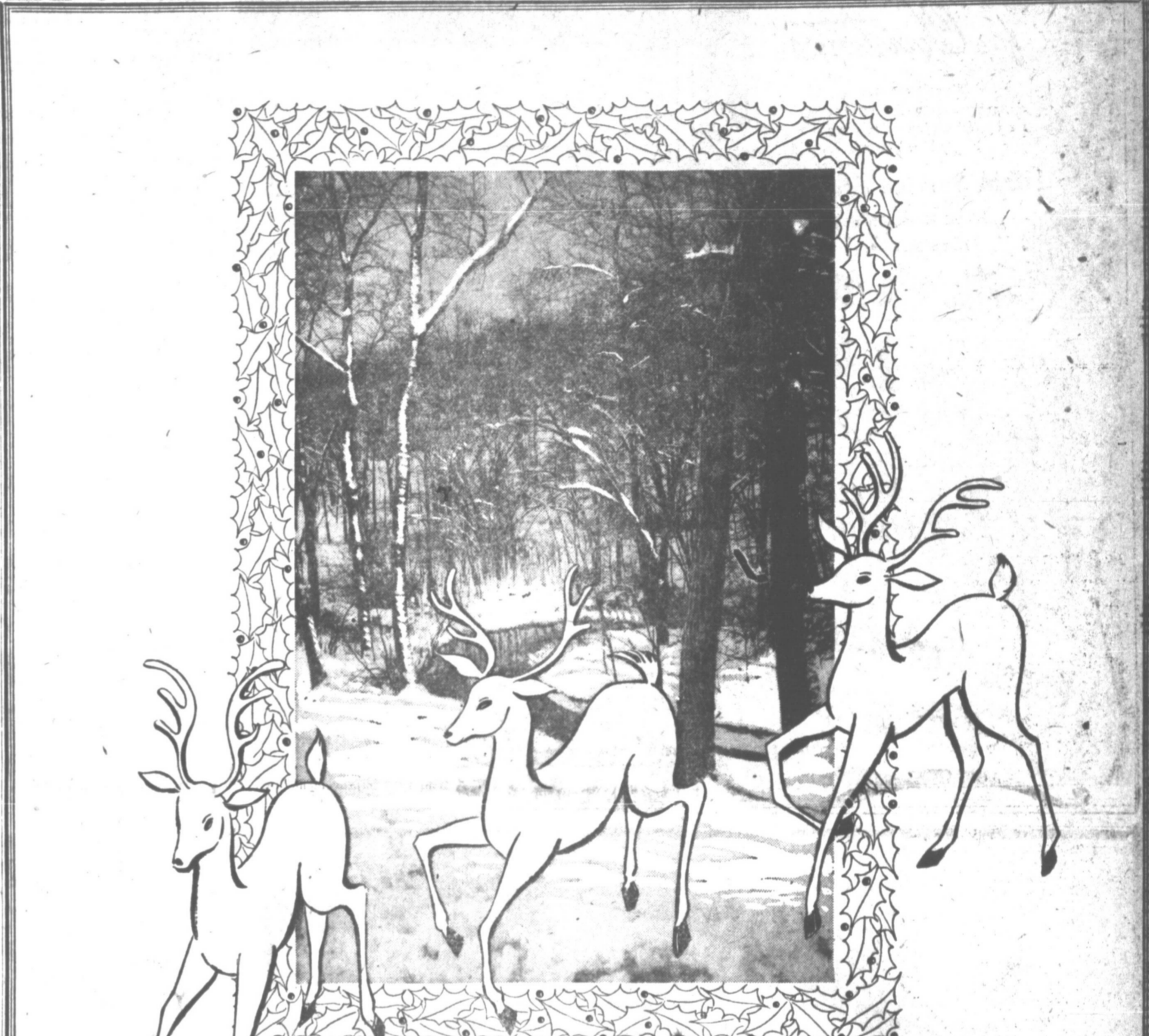
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Wise Selection of Child's Toys Aids Emotional Development and Maturity

By GIBLOLO McHUGH, Ph. D.

Will you plan investments in play and other equipment for your growing child, or will you just buy things for him? When he is old enough to own a bicycle, will you be thinking in terms of his personality growth and further social development, or will you sell your child that he or she is not old enough, or that you do not live in a suitable place, and then put off getting the bike as long as possible?

From the way in which the younger child is handled about crossing the street it is possible to foretell certain parental attitudes toward later childhood ownership of a bicycle. In the case of street crossing some mothers and fathers anxiously, but idly wait for the magical arrival of foresight and maturity in their children. Such parents do not realize that growth results more from their provision of suitable chances to learn than from passage of time and increasing age. You will have to help your

growing child learn how to take care of himself.

Dire predictions that he will run over unless he always holds your hand when crossing a street usually does nothing more than inhibit the child for a while and build up to loss of faith in his parent's judgment. He will see other children cross the street time and again without injury. And he will see others safely enjoying equipment that he too, would like to own.

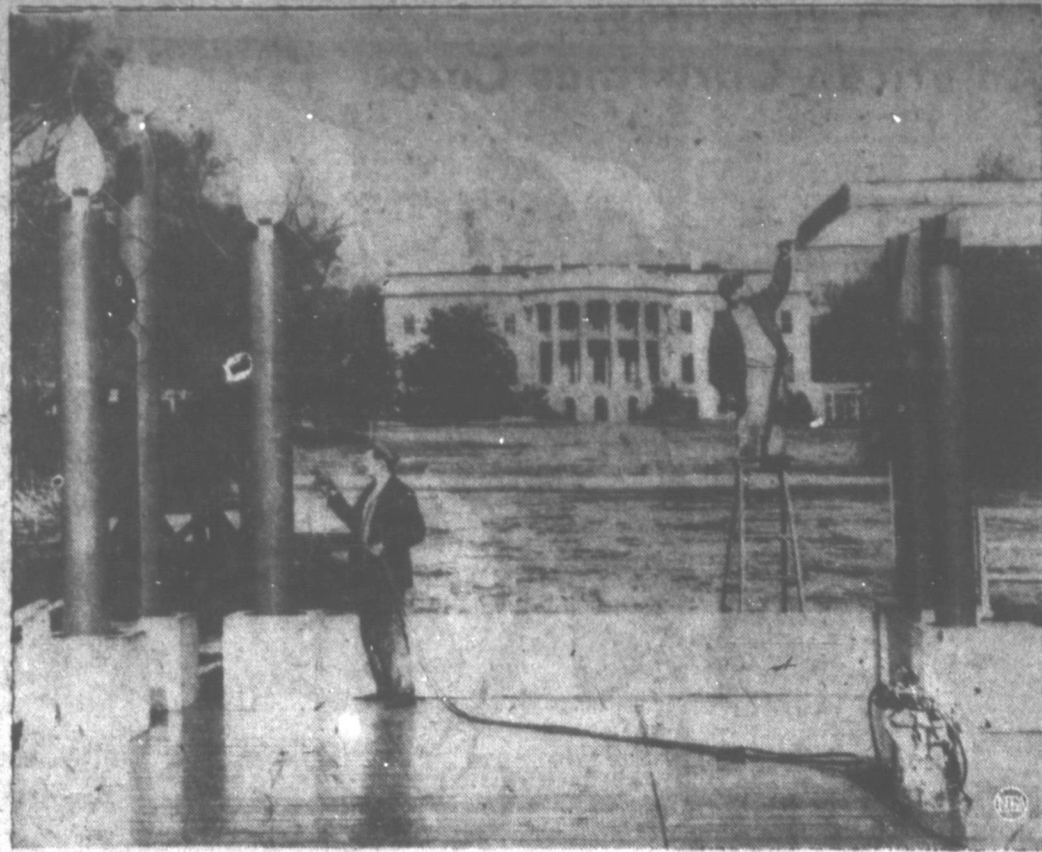
In each of the above cases, it would be better to make strict rules which your child must obey, and then be constantly on the lookout for opportunities to help him demonstrate that he is learning safe ways to cross the street or that he knows how to make safe use of a bicycle. Beginning with street crossing, you can choose completely safe crossings in which to allow your small boy or girl to show you how he or she would cross if you were not there.

By positive approaches such as "that's right, always look both

ways to make sure no car is coming" or "that's right, always walk with the green light and look for cars that may want to turn the corner," you will soon be feeling sure that you have a child whose judgment you can trust. By the time he is of school age, he will have received from you the invaluable gift of mature and intelligent caution against real danger. You will have gone a long way, too, toward building peace of mind for yourself, and will find valuable beyond measure your child's trust in your judgment.

The same approaches would hold for your child's eventual ownership of and freedom to use a bicycle. Your buying a bicycle for him would indicate your faith in the effect of opportunities you have provided to help him learn how to take care of himself. Of course the advantages would not end in this reward for past performances. The bicycle can be presented as still another opportunity to learn. Managing it safely and correctly can be advanced preparation for later driving the family car. Given in the right spirit, your child will want your assistance in learning traffic rules and safety measures.

Remember, too, that when you buy your child such equipment you will be making an investment in his personal and social growth. With a bike for exploring, for



A WHITE HOUSE CHRISTMAS—Getting the White House ready for Christmas, workmen are shown above painting the platform and other decorations which will surround the huge tree. President Truman, who is spending Christmas in his home at Independence, Mo., lit the White House tree by remote control. The workmen are George Douglas, left, and August Medoro.

Bynum Man Gets Title to Farm

AUSTIN — (AP) — Presley M. Williams of Bynum is the first veteran to get formal title to a farm under the 25 million dollar veterans land program.

Williams, a 22-year-old Purple Heart veteran of combat in the Pacific, became owner of a 167-acre farm three miles northwest of Bynum in Hill County. Wil-

iams has been renting the farm for two years.

He became beneficiary No. 1 in a drawing. Actual completion of the transaction was by formal action of the Veterans Land Board. Williams was not present.

Williams came to Austin last week to sign the necessary papers, but told land board officials he had to return home immediately to help care for a neighbor who was ill.

Christian Chinese call the piece of mail in the five weeks of the Christmas postal rush.

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West Europe Due for a Gay Holiday

PARIS — (AP) — Western Europe is due for the merriest Christmas since the war.

Food rationing has practically disappeared, except in Britain, Scandinavia and The Netherlands. But "pocketbook rationing" has taken its place.

You can buy all the Christmas turkey you want in France — at about \$1 a pound. That makes a 10-pound bird cost the average

traveler to add from school, and for running errands, the child will have a new personal and social status. He will make new friends and find closer companionship with old ones. He will learn about "give and take" and his personal responsibility will increase.

Of course all of these good things do not come of themselves. Your job will not end with providing the equipment. Such investments are not like putting your money into bonds to be laid away until time to clip the coupons. You still must guide your child's growth and keep check upon what he is learning. In doing your checking, you will find that more progress is made through reasonably generous recognition of what the child does know, plus constructive suggestions for improvement than by criticism for errors without credit for what is done right.

workingman nearly a week's salary.

In France, Italy, Belgium, Sweden and Western Germany, even the few rationed items are plentifully available on more or less legal "free markets."

Rationing is still toughest in austerity-minded Britain, but quantities have been raised somewhat in the past year and there are special allotments for Christmas. Food minister John Strachey promises a "limited quantity" of pork, hitherto almost unobtainable. His office added that there would be far more fowls this year than last. Foultry is on free sale, but expensive.

Norway, like Britain, still rations meat, butter, margarine, eggs, sugar and coffee, but special Christmas allotments will be enough for an old fashioned holiday.

Denmark still has some restrictions too, though fewer than Norway.

Italians are looking forward to a boost in their economy from Holy Year visitors, to help pay for their unrationed but expensive Christmas cheer. The first groups of pilgrims are already arriving.

The late Kaiser Wilhelm always took pride in personally cutting his own Christmas tree from his own woods.

Greetings

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merry carolers to wish
our friends the
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The BIRTH—For into us a Son is given and the government shall be upon His shoulders and His name shall be called Wonderful Counsellor, the mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace. Of the increase of His government and peace, there shall be no end. Upon the throne of David and upon His kingdom to order it and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even forever. The seal of the Lord of hosts will perform this, Isaiah 9:3-7.

THIS WAS the birth and the prophecy. The time has not come for Him to return, or he would have returned to us... but His name rules by virtue of the fact that He PERISTS, and ENDURES the calamity.

THIS IS a wonderful day in our world...

BUT IT has its sadness, for indeed the story of Christ Himself is sadness. The writer Maughan said: "Man is born, he suffers, and he dies." This story I read the other day illustrates the Plight of Man: It occurred in Germany almost exactly 12 months ago. At a relief center a little girl was handed a glass of milk. Grasping it with thin hands that trembled in excitement and turning wistful eyes to the attendant, she inquired, "How far down may I drink?" That's our world. We wonder, when the good things, the really good things, seem to us—just how far down may we drink? The lessons of the Christmas season are many. The Lord Christ is sometimes called the world's greatest gentleman because He put so much more into life than He took from it... What we receive at this glad Christmas occasion is but nearly as significant as what we give and share...

MOST OF the week's activities centered around groups... and there were lots of groups... dances—lots of them, and many private parties, so many, of course, that we couldn't even begin to run them all down... there were church parties, school parties, office parties, etc. A quick run-down brings to light a few outstanding events: the BGK annual Christmas party was held Sunday, I believe, in the home of Mrs. Parks Brumley... the setting was cleverly decorated... Incidentally, we said a week ago the BGK dance was held at the Country Club... the formal Shrine Club dance... Everyone remarked on the lighted punchbowl at the ESA party held Monday night at the Bruce Parker home... Old Santa met the guests in the yard, made a small gift to them from his pouch... The Garman-Garman-Garman dance, held at the Country Club on Tuesday night, was a party as fair as it usually is... the formal Shrine Club dance and party at the Country Club was on Wednesday p. m. the Shriners dance wouldn't seem like such a new John Andrews and John Pitts out greeting those in attendance... a huge, huge crowd turned out for this beautiful dance at the Country Club, given by Messrs. and Mesdames Floyd Inel, Crawford Carlson, Frank Smith and Fred Thompson.

PERSONAL—Carol Culberson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. C., has been initiated into the Women's Athletic Association at Columbia, Missouri's Christian College... Carol is a personable young lady... Mr. and Mrs. Press Wilson Tuesday night entertained a small group... Mr. and Mrs. West Beckett have an enviable Christmas spirit... they had open house the other night for a group of boys, who had a very nice evening.

BY THE TIME you get around to reading this, I hope your home is in an uproar with happy confusion... I should be that way, you know... Not only is this the season of Christ's birthday, but it is the time when family ties are secured, or, if not needing a new security, are enjoyed so greatly... even as modern as we have become in America, we still depend upon the integrity we get from our domesticity...

I HEREBY tender you my signature for the last time in the Old Year... it has been a good time we have had together, and that taken into account all the mistakes committed here... we can't promise we won't make some more of them in the New Year, but we'll be around to put something to paper... I believe I said something like this a whole year ago.

Happy New Year
PEG O' PAMPA.

Two Parties Compliment Miss Catherine McNamara

Miss Catherine McNamara, whose marriage to Harold Joseph Altendorf will be solemnized in the Catholic Church tomorrow, was honored at a luncheon at the Pampa Country Club Thursday, Dec. 22, by Miss Judy Smith and Miss Betty Joyce Scott.

The bride-elect's chosen colors, green and white, were carried out in the decorative scheme. The table, covered with white linen, was centered with an arrangement of green carnations.

Tree and Party For Firemen And Families

A musical program featured the Christmas party for firemen and their families in the fire station recreation room Tuesday evening. On the program were "The Night Before Christmas," Patty Claunch; "Christmas Tree," Jean Skidmore; "Long, Long Ago," Gerry Duggitt; "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen," Rayford and Armette Fuller; "Just Before Christmas," Rayford Fuller, and "Five Days Till Christmas," Rayma Darnell. Mrs. A. L. Ferguson had charge of the program.

Santa presented each person present with candy, nuts, apples and oranges, from the decorated tree. Also, cookies, candy and coffee were served.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Snow, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Pirkle, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Darnell, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Duggitt, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Skidmore, Mr. and Mrs. Pele Pierce. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Claunch, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Bryant, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Powers, Mr. and Mrs. Tompp Petropoulos, Mr. and Mrs. Emmitt Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hindman, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Haggard, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Gallimore, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Burns, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Winborne, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Winborne and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Winborne.

Party Honors Jean Franklin

Jean Franklin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Percy G. Franklin, celebrated her fourth birthday Dec. 21 at the Franklin home, 513 North Magnolia.

The evening was spent making moving pictures and playing games. Those who called were the honoree's grandparents, E. A. Franklin, Groom, and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smith of White Deer; Selma and Delma Franklin, Charles Warren and Jennie McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Smith, Henry Noh, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Noh and Evelyn, Helen Walker, Ruby Lee Franklin, sister of the guest of honor, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Franklin.

In Hope That Santa Would Soon Be There



All over Pampa last night, Christmas Eve, children watched for Santa Claus in eager anticipation of toys and candy. Not all children had a fireplace chimney for the old saint to descend as did the children of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Neslage, 1123 Mary Ellen, but all were "on guard." Young Neslages shown above are left to right: Bill, 6; John, 3; Marion, 2; Bobby, 5.

Women's Council Elects Officers

Officers were elected at a meeting Wednesday of the Women's Council of the First Christian Church. The Christmas motif was carried out in decorations.

Mrs. H. J. Pickett poured from the silver tea service. Refreshments were served by members of group one.

Officers elected were Mrs. R. A. Mack, president; Mrs. H. J. Pickett, vice president; Mrs. C. L. Mason, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. Lillian Zamora, pianist; Mrs. D. V. Burton, hospitality chairman; Mrs. E. M. Enloe, publicity chairman; Mrs. Emory Noblitt, banquet chairman; Mrs. Tom Eckert, welfare chairman; Mrs. J. F. Meers, Harwood Hall chairman.

Miss Helen Huff showed films and gave a talk on her recent trip to Europe. Miss Huff was introduced by Mrs. Lillian Zamora, program chairman of group six.

Approximately 25 were present.

New Sub Debs Presented at Formal

A formal presentation dance in the dining room of the Schnieder Hotel Tuesday night honored new members of the Sub Deb Club.

Music was furnished by Bernice Howell and his organ.

The artistic and beautiful decorations were planned and carried out by a committee of Senior girls in the club. On the committee were Peggy Hukill, Dorothy Dixon, Mary Joan Patton, Mercedes Roberts and Joan Stroup.

In the center of the room a large post was covered with silver and tied with green ribbon, simulating a huge Christmas package, and set the theme for the decorative plan. The green and silver colors were further carried out with green balloons floating about the top of the post.

The entire room was bathed in green light, and a mirror on one wall was framed in silver tinsel and reflected the green lighting. A big silver Christmas tree, decorated all in green, stood at one side of the room.

Yule Parties Hold Spotlight In Shamrock

SHAMROCK—(Special)—A "Christmas Spirit" party was held at the home of Mrs. Bedford Harrison, Tuesday morning.

Mrs. E. W. Moss of Dallas, sister of Mrs. Harrison, was hostess. She called Mrs. Harrison from Dallas to say that she had sent out invitations to a group of Shamrock friends to meet at the Harrison home and that all Mrs. Harrison was to do was to "put on the coffee" and open the packages after the guests arrived.

The hostess could be here "only in spirit," but she provided everything for the party. Corsettes were "Grape clusters," in fuchsia, green, gold and silver. They were placed in the center of the table as a centerpiece. Mints, candies, cookies and nuts were served with coffee.

There was a mysterious "fortune teller," and merriment reigned as each guest had her fortune revealed.

Those attending were: Mmes. I. C. Mundy, Sol Blonstein, Marlin Whitthurst, Cabot Brannon, H. P. Mundy, B. F. Holmes, W. H. Dial, Billy Sims, and W. S. Carpenter of Dallas.

Las Cresas Club Members



Back row: Mary Russell, Venita Cowan, Jann Ethridge, Mrs. W. M. McWright, sponsor; Berenice Homer, Jean Cornelius, Pat Johnson, Pat Cargile and Joyce Harrah. Second row: Barbara Southard, Jean McWright, Elsie Boyd, Sue Lynn McFall, Janice Mayes, Janet Weathered, Janell Ewing, and Oowetha Overstreet. Front row: Betty Kiff, Dorothy Roberts, Donna Robinson, Sally Cobb and Janie Prichard.

Study Club of McLean at Annual Fete, Hess Home

McLean—(Special)—The Pioneer Study Club held its annual Christmas party Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Jule Hess, wife of Mrs. Jesse Coleman as hostess.

Mrs. Dee Coleman was in charge of the program on "Christmas." Mrs. Bob Thomas sang "A Star in the Sky," accompanied by Mrs. Bill Day at the piano. Mrs. Dee Coleman presented an interesting program on Christmas, the Madonna and Holy family. Pictures of famous paintings of all nationalities were shown. An object lesson was also illustrated: that all nations portray the Madonna in that particular nation's characteristics.

The holiday theme was carried out in the decorations. White poinsettias, a gaily lighted Christmas tree, a Nativity scene, and a fireplace mantel completed the holiday decorations. Mrs. W. S. Lentz poured coffee at a lace-covered table adorned with a Christmas arrangement. Presents were exchanged. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. Suttle Feted At OES Breakfast

Mrs. Juanita Suttle, worthy matron of the Order of the Eastern Star, was honored at a breakfast Monday morning at the home of Mrs. J. W. Butchens, 1613 Duncan.

Refreshments were served to Margaret Young, Ruby Watkins, Luella Stokes, Eula Fae Stokes, Mary Lou Pharis, Lillian Meeker, Mary Howard, Patty Denton, Verne Day, Odie Clayborn, Isabel Hizzell, Marion Bentley, Dorothy Beck, Dorothy Andrews and the hostess, Tenochia Tindall. Visitors were Karen Day, Marsha and Pat Andrews, Caroline Stokes and Betty Manioth.

Rolls and coffee were served to Mrs. Suttle, her mother, Mrs. Ethel Alexander, Mrs. Hutchens' mother, Mrs. Sam Wiggins of Canyon, Mrs. Crystal Hankhouse and the following officers: Ruth Sewell, Mrs. Eunice Moseley, Mrs. Helen Meyers, Mrs. Ethel Mae Thurmond, Mrs. Artie Reber, Mrs. Frances Sealey, Mrs. J. O. Hutchens, Mrs. Rochell Jones, and Mrs. Ima Dumas.

Hostess at Party

SHAMROCK—(Special)—Mrs. T. M. Sonnenburg was hostess to members of the Neodesert Club at the annual Christmas party.

Gifts were exchanged from a decorated tree and games of forty-two were played during the evening.

Mrs. J. B. Clark and Mrs. H. B. Hill were co-hostesses at the Clark home recently when they entertained with a forty-two party.

Christmas Brings Many Parties and Programs

Donivee Ellison, talented seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ellison, 1509 West Ripley, presented the bulk of the program at the Christmas party for Business and Professional Club members in the City Club Room last Sunday afternoon. The tiny artist, dressed in a blue formal dress, eloquently recited "The Bible," and followed up with several encores. Her program ran the emotional gamut, from the first number and the powerful "Gettysburg Address" to two humorous selections. Also on the program was Miss Jann Ethridge, who sang "Silent Night" and "Here Comes Santa Claus." She was accompanied by Mrs. H. A. Yoder at the piano. At the conclusion of her last number, Miss Ethridge stepped out of the room and brought in Santa Claus, who distributed the gifts.

As guests registered each one was presented with a Christmas corsage by Miss Madge Ruak.

The club room was decorated with a Christmas tree, holly and other seasonal trimmings. Decorations were arranged by Mrs. Gladys Howard, Mrs. Lillian Jordan and Mrs. Hazel Fay. Mrs. Elsie Gee was in charge of party plans, and was assisted by Mrs. Maxine Ethridge, Mrs. Hattie Holt and the decoration and program committees. The program was arranged by Mrs. Marguerite Nash.

Mrs. Katie Beverly, club mother, was presented with a table lamp, as it was her 40th wedding anniversary. Mrs. Beverly presided at the coffee service. Coffee and cake were served to approximately 75 members and guests.

White gifts were collected for the Sunshine Christmas tree. According to an announcement, a basket will also be presented to a family.

FRIENDSHIP
Mrs. John Haggard, 1301 North Russell, hosted a Christmas party for the Friendship Class of the First Baptist Church.

A Christmas meditation was given by Mrs. L. E. Sloan and Mrs. Schoogie Johnson led in prayer.

Mrs. Johnson poured tea at refreshment time.

Fruit, candy and nuts were taken to the party to be left at the Court House for distribution.

Approximately 25 members attended the party.

BAASH-ROSS
A turkey dinner was served at Moose Hall at 7 o'clock Thursday evening for Baash-Ross Tool Company employees and their families.

Gifts were presented to all present from a tree, and the employees presented table lamps to Mr. and Mrs. Claud Wilson and to Mr. and Mrs. Noel Dalton. Dalton is manager and Mr. Wilson is foreman at the Baash-Ross Tool Company.

HOBBY CLUB
Hobby club members and their families were entertained with a Christmas dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Melton Wednesday.

Centering the table was an arrangement of white candles resting in a bed of artificial snow surrounded by small evergreen boughs. Place cards were miniature logs holding small white candles.

Following the dinner the group was entertained with colored movies shown by Mrs. Vern Savage. Gifts were exchanged and games of forty-two played.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. George Howe, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Brickey, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stone and Mrs. J. M. Brant and Mrs. George Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Ingram, Mr. and Mrs. George Ingram and Larry, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lewis, Mr. C. W. Bowers, Mrs. W. D. Stockstill, Mrs. Ruth Spearman, Mrs. J. C. Farrington, Mrs. Maye Skaggs, Mrs. Fanny Skaggs, Mrs. A. B. McAfee, Bert Benton and Boyd Brown.

A Favorite at Hardin-Simmons



MISS KITCHEENS

MIAMI—(Special)—In the annual selection of class favorites at Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Miss Donna M. Kitcheens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Kitcheens of Miami, was elected Sophomore favorite. She was one of attendants at the crowning of the University Queen for 1949-50, at the annual coronation held in Behrens Chapel recently. Following the coronation ceremony a banquet was held at the Hotel Windsor.

Miss Kitcheens is a graduate of Miami High School with the class of 1948. She is majoring in elementary education and minoring in English. Following graduation she plans to teach in the elementary grades.

She is a member of the Panhandle Club, the University Chorus, and the Hardin-Simmons Cowgirls.

Refreshments of coffee, sandwiches and pie were served. Presents were Mr. and Mrs. C. Carruth, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Stockstill, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Moffitt and family; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Walberg, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Walberg, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Turcotte.

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Mainly About People

Mrs. G. D. Holmes, 637 N. Hobart, has her son and daughter and their families visiting her over the holidays. They are Mr. and Mrs. Cecil J. Miller and children and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Holmes and daughter, all of Lubbock.

Justice of the Peace D. R. Henry left Friday night for Wichita, Kans., where he will spend the Christmas holidays with his son, Tom Henry. The judge will be back at his desk Tuesday morning.

Lost—4 keys in leather case stamped J. C. Daniels. Call 1709 or 666, Reward.

Eugene Alford, Bobby Parkinson, Talmadge Wright, Ronald Rice and Harold Mitchell, all students at Texas Tech, participated in the music department's annual Christmas concert and caroling party before they came to Pampa to spend the holidays.

Miss Lema Jane Butcher, who teaches school at Bakerfield, Calif., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Mamie Butcher, 415 N. Yager.

Long's Snack Shack will serve lovely turkey dinners all day today at \$1.25 per plate. 871 W. Foster.

Miss Anne Moseley, student at the University of Oklahoma, at Norman, Okla., is home for the holidays. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Moseley who live on Rt. 1, Pampa.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Curlington and daughters, Mona and Jane, Oklahoma City, are spending the holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Kelley, 1116 N. Russell.

Attend big Christmas dance tonight at McClellan Lake. Emmett Allen and his orchestra will play.

Midshipman Ralph Fresse of the U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Schneider, who live at 1012 Duncan.

Cadillac Emergency Ambulance.

Christmas Wish

May the joyful pleasures of your Christmas Holiday become the core of happy memories for the coming year!

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HAPPY Holiday WISHES

We feel genuinely pleased and privileged to extend sincere Holiday greetings to our many friends. In the spirit of appreciation for the confidence you have shown in us, we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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Holiday Fete Combined With Business Session

LEFORS — (Special) — A Yuletide party was given Thursday in the home of Mrs. Helen Huff for members of the Mary Martha Class of the First Baptist Church, Lefors.

The meeting also included an election of officers for the following year. Mrs. Huff, president; Mrs. Ronald Gochour, membership president; Mrs. Claude Lamb, fellowship president; Mrs. Lonnie Ables, personal ministries, and Mrs. Bud Cumberidge, assisted by Mrs. Jim Halley secretary.

During the social period special gifts were exchanged and a Bible was presented to the teacher, Mrs. C. H. Earhart, by the class members.

The opening prayer was by Mrs. E. W. Ammons, president, who was also in charge of the business session. Miss Halley gave the secretary's report, and Mrs. Ables reported on personal ministries.

Two 100 percent members for the month of November were announced. They are Mrs. Halley and Mrs. Huff.

Others present were Meses R. R. Cable, Tom Florence, Bill Ammons, D. D. Lewis, B. B. Brown, V. L. Hart, J. P. Farmer, E. V. Fulton, James Barker, B. T. Smith, Ed Sanders, A. E. Penington and M. A. Hixon.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Florence.

Miss Myrtle Neal, E. Seeds Wed

WHEELER — (Special) — Miss Myrtle Neal of Amarillo and Edward Weldon Seeds of Kellon were married Saturday, Dec. 17, in the Methodist parsonage. The pastor, the Rev. Darris Egger, officiated.

The couple will live in the Kellon community.

The Martha Class of the Baptist church was entertained with a Christmas party, hosted by the teacher, Mrs. Lee Guthrie, at her home on South Main, last Friday evening.

After a short program, games were played and refreshments served. There were 11 members present.

Miss Etta Nash entertained the Cecilia Mann Sunday School Class of the Methodist Church with a Christmas party and gift exchange Thursday evening.

Mrs. Mittie Berry, teacher of the class, was given a miscellaneous shower after which refreshments were served.

The Wheeler Chapter of the Order of Easter Star had their Christmas party and gift exchange Tuesday when 35 members and guests gathered at the Masonic Hall.

The hall was decorated with holly, mistletoe and Christmas lights.

Refreshments were served and the group played forty-two.

Texan Claims Valuable Land Along Wall St.

NEW YORK — (AP) — A Beaumont, Texas, man has lodged an unusual claim to some top-valued real estate in Manhattan's financial district and in Greenwich Village.

What makes D. W. Edwards' claim unusual is that he included a copy of a 1778 lease on which the claim is based.

However, Registrar Lewis Orgel has written Edwards that "an unofficial search reveals no record of your claim."

The property claimed by Edwards on the basis of a lease signed by his ancestor, Robert Edwards, is valued in the hundreds of millions of dollars. The area runs roughly from Wall Street to Christopher Street.

An Ill Friend Writes a Letter

Editors note: Henry C. Coffee, aged friend of The News who is ill at his home at 310 N. Ward, said he had but one request to make at this Christmas time. He wanted to put a little message in the paper to his many friends.

He sent us this following message, and we hereby grant his request, and hope for him a quick recovery from his illness.

Greetings: To the power that controls the destiny of man and to the accumulation of friends that I have amassed in my 50 years' rambling between the Arkansas on the north, the Rio Grande on the south, the mighty Rockies on the west and the Piney Woods of Texas on the east, I greet you one and all as this is the time and the season that people send out greeting of friendship in commensurate with the smile and love and fellowship to the human race.

I take this method of contact rather than the old route of individual cards as I have tried to meet you in the middle of a greeting of good fellowship which naturally brings about a big accumulation of acquaintances and close friends. I discovered the fact many, many years ago that the greatest investment "man can make in this world is in people and I have had no reason to change my mind.

I greet you one and all and wish for you every happiness through the years to come. May God Bless each and every one of you.

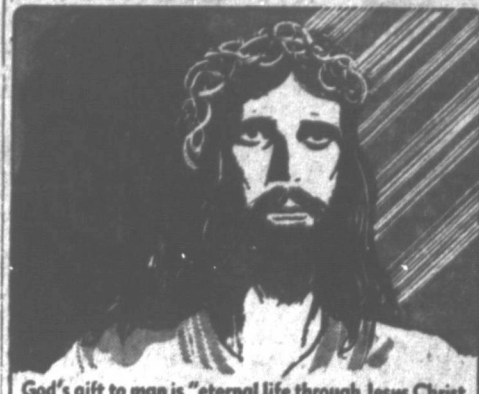
H. C. Coffee

To our friends and associates go our wishes for a joy-filled Christmas that may last the whole year through.

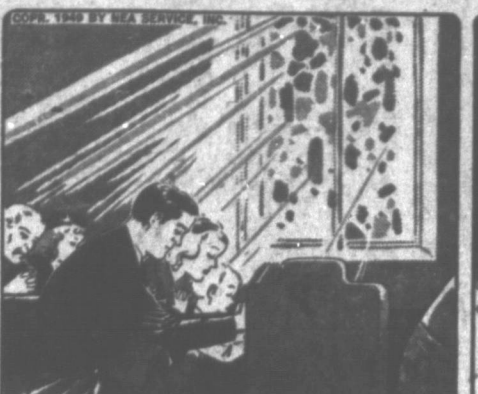
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The Story of the Savior ... by William E. Gilroy, DD



God's gift to man is "eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." (Romans 6:23.) "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believed in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16.)



Man responds in worship: "We love him because he first loved us." (1 John 4:19.)



The Christmas spirit and joy of giving are best expressed in the words of Jesus: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." (Acts 20:35.)



And the best gift of men to one another comes from Jesus also: "This is my commandment, that ye love one another, as I have loved you." (John 15:12.)

Prices Pose Problem for Holy Year

By FRANK BRUTTO

VATICAN CITY — (AP) — Talking to heart lessons of past Holy Years, the Central Committee for the 1950 Jubilee is endeavoring to keep costs for pilgrimages as low as possible and to protect the pilgrim from profiteers, swindlers and sellers of gadgets.

It has also entered the market to provide pilgrims as many facilities as possible at controlled prices.

Thus, pilgrims will benefit from reduced transportation rates, low priced room and board and low priced excursions. Their pilgrim ticket—contained in the pilgrim's envelope—distributed through national Holy Year committees at a price ranging from about 80 cents in Italy to \$3 in the United States—will entitle them to visit the Vatican museums. Negotiations are underway to obtain reduced rates for visits to other Italian museums. The pilgrim's envelope—millions of them have already been distributed—contains a Holy Year booklet, pilgrim's insignia and a guide to Rome.

The Central Committee's efforts aim at averting as much as possible the modern counterpart of experiences of centuries past when foot-sore, weary pilgrims were victimized by innkeepers along the way, sometimes robbed, and finally, when they reached their destination, subjected to sky-high prices. Chroniclers of the first Jubilee of which there is definite record, that of 1300, tell that food became scarce at the third month, but that Pope Boniface VIII took quick measures. He ordered nearby towns to supply the pilgrims with food, and to load passing pilgrims and their donkeys and horses with food.

In 1875, Pope George XIII built extensive stalls to shelter horses and donkeys during the 11th Jubilee. He also prohibited innkeepers from raising their prices. For the 1950 Holy Year, 21,458 beds have been provided. The Holy Year Committee has conferred with air lines, some of which already have granted reductions, and with shipping lines. Reductions have been granted by railroads, airlines, and shipping lines. Reductions ranging—depending upon the number of pilgrims in each group—from 20 percent for single travelers in Germany to as high as 60 percent for groups of 750 or more pilgrims in Rome, buildings to house pilgrims have been loaned by the Vatican and by Italian state authorities. Others have been obtained from monasteries and convents and in addition, "Peregratio" has contracted with private builders for construction, repairing and furnishing of buildings—about \$2,000,000 coming for this work from ERP funds, of which one fourth will be returned at the end of Holy Year.

Controlled prices for rooms (subject to change if there are sharp fluctuations in currency) range from about \$1.35 a day for a room, with single bed to about 70 cents for a room in which there are more than five beds. Prices of meals range from about \$3 to about \$2.50. Prices include breakfast, lunch and dinner. Controlled, price-controlled tours will be offered.

Sale of gadgets has been prohibited in St. Peter's Square, but Monsignor Sergio Pignatelli, secretary of the Central Committee, has warned that the control of souvenirs, many of which, he said, "usually are cheap and in bad taste," will be difficult.

Traffic was a problem in the first recorded 1300 Holy Years. One of the measures of mankind's progress since then will be the airline flights that will speed 1950 pilgrims to Rome in a few hours from all parts of the world—the first winged pilgrimage in the centuries-old history of Holy Years.

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Miss Myrtle Neal, E. Seeds Wed

WHEELER — (Special) — Miss Myrtle Neal of Amarillo and Edward Weldon Seeds of Kellon were married Saturday, Dec. 17, in the Methodist parsonage. The pastor, the Rev. Darris Egger, officiated.

The couple will live in the Kellon community.

The Martha Class of the Baptist church was entertained with a Christmas party, hosted by the teacher, Mrs. Lee Guthrie, at her home on South Main, last Friday evening.

After a short program, games were played and refreshments served. There were 11 members present.

Miss Etta Nash entertained the Cecilia Mann Sunday School Class of the Methodist Church with a Christmas party and gift exchange Thursday evening.

Mrs. Mittie Berry, teacher of the class, was given a miscellaneous shower after which refreshments were served.

The Wheeler Chapter of the Order of Easter Star had their Christmas party and gift exchange Tuesday when 35 members and guests gathered at the Masonic Hall.

The hall was decorated with holly, mistletoe and Christmas lights.

Refreshments were served and the group played forty-two.

NEW YORK — (AP) — A Beaumont, Texas, man has lodged an unusual claim to some top-valued real estate in Manhattan's financial district and in Greenwich Village.

What makes D. W. Edwards' claim unusual is that he included a copy of a 1778 lease on which the claim is based.

However, Registrar Lewis Orgel has written Edwards that "an unofficial search reveals no record of your claim."

The property claimed by Edwards on the basis of a lease signed by his ancestor, Robert Edwards, is valued in the hundreds of millions of dollars. The area runs roughly from Wall Street to Christopher Street.

DALLAS — (AP) — Doctors say say Mina Ladell Person, 11, injured in an October tornado at Abilene, will be able to walk again, but only with braces, and slowly.

But her main method of getting about will be a wheel chair, a staff member at Scottish Rite Children's Hospital explained here.

The child's back was hurt and her legs are paralyzed. She was brought to the hospital in a wheel chair from an Abilene hospital.

"She got very good care in Abilene. Her condition is good," the staff doctor said.

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BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S CLUB took first place honors in the Nativty division of the Flight of Santa Claus Parade. Shown above (l. to r.) are Paul Belschens, Parade Committee chairman, Mrs. Sidney Glendling, who had charge of the B&PWF float, Mrs. "Stormy" Jordan, B&PWF president, and John Kinard, Steering Committee chairman of the parade.



STEERING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN JOHN KINARD presents Mrs. M. X. Beard, Jr., with a trophy for the Girl Scout Association's Little Red Riding Hood float which won first place in the general Christmas theme division of the Flight of Santa Claus Parade. Also shown are Paul Belschens, Parade Committee chairman, and Mrs. K. E. Thornton, executive of the Girl Scout Association.

Gifts Are Beribboned In Glamor

Gifts wrapped in glamour are not necessarily gaudy or frilly-looking packages. Real distinction is the result of the choice of color combinations in paper and trimmings.

Here are some simple wrapping rules to follow for good-looking gift packages:

Use elegant ribbons for plain paper and simple ribbons for printed paper.

Use small patterned paper for small gifts, large patterned paper for large gifts and contrasting colored ribbons for solid papers.

Use proper boxes to hold the gift, no matter what the size, and be sure to use tissue to frame the gift.

Do wrap on a flat surface and have all your equipment, such as scissors, ribbons, seals and other knick-knacks, convenient to use.

Try using two or three narrow ribbons of different colors on your large boxes instead of one wide band for a more decorative look.

Tie your ribbons around the packages first. Make your bows separately, and then attach the bow to the package with the ends of the tying ribbon.

For new and glamorous ways to wrap gifts, here are some ideas that lend themselves to all kinds

of variations. Boys, men or car-owners will be thrilled, with any gift wrapped in an ordinary road map, tied with ribbon to match the map's predominating colors, and finished off with a tiny toy car, hanging from a flat tailored bow.

Glamorize tall square cartons by using very wide ribbon to cover the four sides so that only narrow margins of the contrasting paper show, and then tie a large ribbon bow on the top.

Try tying your ribbon around the sides of the package instead of the usual way, over top and bottom.

Another idea is to tie ribbons at both sides of the package, with bows placed at opposite corners of the package.

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116 N. Ballard



We wish to thank each and every one of our customers for your patronage in the past year, and hope to have the opportunity of serving you again in the future.

Best wishes for a **MERRY CHRISTMAS** and a **HAPPY NEW YEAR**

MARTHA JENNINGS and THE STAFF
SCHNEIDER HOTEL DINING ROOM

Moravian Christmas Eve Vigil Simple and Lovely

High point of Christmas for Moravians of Bethlehem, Pa., is the Christmas Eve Vigil, a service of music held at 8:30 p.m. and repeated at 7:30 p.m. so that there may be room for all the visitors and members.

For this occasion choirs, orchestra, trombonists, sacristans and their helpers have devoted endless hours of preparation. The church decorations are elaborate and center on a more than life-size painting of the Nativity scene framed by the great arch behind the pulpit. Sacristans' helpers have decorated thousands of locally-molded beeswax candles with gray colored frills which serve not only to please the eye but also to protect the hand from dripping wax.

The trombonists usher in the service with the playing of Christmas chorales. The choir sings a number of anthems, some by classic German composers, others by 18th Century Moravian musicians. Choir and congregation join in the singing of many traditional hymns, including the chorale, "Not Jerusalem, Lowly Bethlehem," from which Bethlehem received its name.

Two parts of the service are awaited with particular eagerness by the children. One is the singing of the hymn, "Morning Star," in which the soloist is always a child whose selection has been kept a secret. The other is the moment during the latter half of the service when the Sacristans appear with their trays of lighted candles. Each person is given one and the vigil ends with

congregation and choir singing by their friendly light.

For the benefit of younger children there is a love-feast at 3 p.m. The following morning there is the customary Christmas Day service.

Sacristans are a group of volunteers who assist in the preparation for services, decorate the church for special events, serve coffee and buns at love-feasts, and generally help to make the services run smoothly.

The trombonists are unusual in that they have in their choir soprano, alto, tenor, bass, and double bass trombones.

A love-feast is a service of fellowship, consisting of anthems, chorales, hymns during which coffee and buns are served.

A chorale is a special type of hymn. The ones used in the Moravian hymnals are mainly German in origin and have very singable harmony, well suited to a congregation which prefers to sing four-part harmony.

Now It's Frozen Christmas Trees

LOS ANGELES — (AP) — Like a frozen tree this Christmas? See sculptor Tommy Sherbloom. He's taking orders.

Sherbloom, who chisels ice instead of stone, hangs ornaments and electric lights on a tree then freezes it within a block of ice. He trims the ice to the exact shape of the tree, plugs in the lights, and behold — a sparkling crystal decoration. Such trees last six to 10 hours.




Friendly Greetings

To all our many friends, we extend the wish that this Christmas be a truly Merry one, and the coming New Year a happy one!

Gilbert's

A Joyous Christmas

To Everyone

- Ida Adams
- Lucille Saunders
- Neva Burgan
- Ruth Caraway
- Bryant Caraway
- Homer Kees
- Violet McAfee
- R. L. Miller
- Mrs. C. C. Dodd
- Eunice Cummings
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- Mrs. Esther Moffat
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- Ereene Engel
- Marie Ellis
- Ernest Waller
- Mrs. DarLeen Tankersly
- Mrs. Austin O. Johnson
- Mrs. Elmer E. Wilson
- Melvin Dawson
- E. T. Adkism

Murfee's

33rd Year

Birthstones Have Varied Meanings But Recipient of Any Is in Luck

Of all gifts of jewelry there is none which says its "Merry Christmas" with more personal appeal than the birthstone. The man or woman who receives jewelry in which the natal stone is used needs no reminder that here is a gift selected "just for you."

Here's the guide:

January — the garnet, gem of faith, constancy and truth. The garnet isn't always that muddy red gem mounted in coppery gold and found in grandmother's jewel box. There are the rare green garnet, the orange, honey-yellow and hyacinth-red garnets and red garnets. One of the rarest is the Rhodolite, found in North Carolina. It's rose-red veering toward purple. The garnet was believed to have curative powers and as an amulet it protects and preserves honor and health, cures the wearer of all diseases and guards him from perils in travel.

All these powers, of course, are doubled for the person born in January.

February — the amethyst, gem of peace after conflict. The rich deep purple-violet gem is "a bargain in beauty," flattering to the brunette, blond or grey-haired woman. It's the gem of the male and from early times has been used in signet rings. The amethyst has deep religious significance. The Christian and Pagan significance of the gem, however, are curiously interwoven. It's the gem of St. Valentine — and its connection with Bacchus, god of wine, endowed it from ancient times with the power to cure drunkenness.

March — The bloodstone, symbol of courage, and the aquamarine for tranquility. The bloodstone is a particularly happy choice for the man. This led to the choice of an alternate gem.

April — diamond, gem of reconciliation. The Western world ascribes to it the power of immortality with which the Chinese endow jade. The Greeks called it "adamas" — unconquerable. Because it was believed to be the gem of harmony between man and woman, it has long been the favored gem for the engagement ring.

May — emerald, gem of immortality. The vibrant green gem is rich in legend and history's great beauties have cherished it.

June — pearl, gem of beautiful women. It's the only gem of great beauty and value that comes from the sea — but don't think you can do your Christmas shopping by eating oysters. No pearl of great value is found in the edible oyster. Those that are found are dull and of little value.

July — ruby, gem of summer and the sun. The ruby as an amulet should be set as a ring or brooch and worn on the left side — so its owner "will live in peace and concord with all men, and neither his land or rank can be taken from him." The gem also removes evil thoughts.

August — Sardonyx, gem of courage. An aristocrat, the gem dates back to 4000 B. C. and many of Egypt's finest scarabs are cut from the banded sardonyx. It was supposed to lend courage to orators and bashful lovers. Peridot, the alternate birthstone for August, is of a yellowish-green hue.

September — Sapphire, gem of truth and sincerity. Sapphires are found in all the colors of the spectrum, including orange, violet, yellow and green. Most valuable is the velvety cornflower blue. In olden days the gem was held to represent truth, sincerity and constancy. While the ruby symbolizes ardent passion, the sapphire is the gem of calm and tried affection.

October — Opal, symbol of hope and purity. The belief that the opal is unlucky is of modern origin. In Greek and Roman times, the gem was believed to bring good fortune to its owners and to protect its wearer against disease. Its beauty and value depend on its flashing colors; its fascination lies in the fact that no two gems are alike.

November — Topaz, the gem of happiness. Although usually thought of as a transparent yellow stone, the topaz is obtainable in blue and many other colors. The gem was credited with marvelous, though impossible powers which varied with the state of the moon. It's the gem of cheerfulness and pleasant dreams, a cure for insomnia.

December — Turquoise, gem of prosperity and victory over affairs of the heart. The most valued and desired color is the sky blue, especially becoming to the blonde. For the woman born in December, rings, bracelets and clips of gold set with turquoise and coral are especially beautiful. For the equestrian, turquoise cuff links "protect both the horse and its rider against injury from a fall" — probably the reason that fine Mexican saddles and bridles are set with turquoise. Lapis is the alternate stone for December.



We wish our friends a memorable visit from Santa, and a minimum of tummy aches from that delicious Christmas meal.

HALL AND PINSON
301 WEST FOSTER



Merry Christmas

Here are our three Yuletide wishes . . . may they all come true for you!

GOOD HEALTH! GOOD CHEER! GOOD FORTUNE!

COSTON'S BAKERY
108 W. FRANCIS PHONE 3945





Greetings

It is our sincerest wish that the spirit of friendliness and good fellowship will make your Christmas a merry one — and that the New Year will bring to you a full measure of good health, success, and happiness.

Luke, Margaret and Carmen Lee Long
AT
LONG'S HOTEL
809 WEST FOSTER

Season's Greetings
To every family

A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR
from
The Nutchell Family
in
PRISCILLA'S POP

Jolly Old Man Gets Opposition


WASHINGTON — (AP) — Is the jolly old man with the beard and the little round belly stealing the Christmas show from the Babe in the Manger?

The Catholic Review says yes. And the Review — official publication of the Catholic Archdiocese of Washington and Baltimore — thinks it's about time Santa Claus was booted off the stage.

"Our Santa has become a rival of the Holy Child, often enough to the complete exclusion of the latter from any place in the minds of children who learn

about the reindeer but have never heard of the ox and the ass," says an editorial published in the Review's Christmas issue, theology.

Merry Christmas
From
Camp Picketwire
Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Dale
Stonewall, Colorado



Give Something For the Home
By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

Give something for the baby. A doll for sister, maybe. For Mother, too, and Dad. An engine for the lad. And yet, this glad December, as up and down you roam, The finest gift, remember, Is something for the home!

Though something for a minute Some heart a moment cheers, The gift with Christmas in it Is something for the years. The little gifts are pleasant, The gifts as light as foam, But, for the great big present

The editorial was captioned "Unholy Fraud." It adds that "the whole Santa idea is bad psychology and bad pedagogy," and "even worse

Give something for the home! MORE MISSIONARIES. TOKYO — (AP) — Christian missionaries approved for entry into Japan have increased from 215 in 1947 to 444 for the first nine months of 1949. Major denominations have gained 33,000 members the past year, according to U. S. Occupation estimates. Read The News Classified Ads



Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas!
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Masculine Gifts Cater to Hobbies and Recreations

By KAY SHERWOOD
Bidding for masculine approval on Christmas morning are gifts that cater to a man's hobby or recreational interest and can back up handsome design with practical performance.

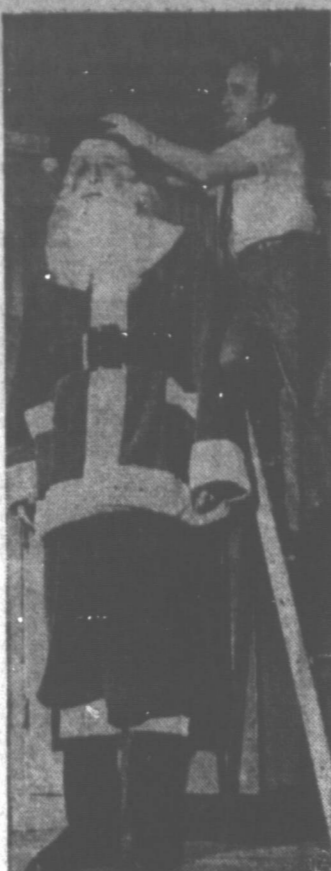
A top candidate for the favor of the outdoor man is the Hudson Bay mackinaw which this season makes its first postwar appearance. These rugged coats are made from thick Hudson Bay wool blankets brilliantly dyed and finished to imitate the hunter's against winter weather. Hunting caps to match the colorful coats have unbreakable visors, turn-under earflaps.

Improvements in dyes and finishes used for boldly-plaided wool

shirts make these gift-togs as washable as cotton shirts. More newcomers for the outdoor guy are dual-purpose gloves which combine a soft alpaca wool back with pigskin palms to insure a good grip on steering wheel or gun.

A new gun which is certain to capture the favor of the hunter is a .22 rifle mounted on a tenite plastic gun stock. The plastic stock is scientifically balanced to conform to a marksman's demands and a hard, lustrous surface regains gleam when wiped with a cloth.

Ready to help a fisherman set new records is a clear lustron plastic creel kit. This is a box with dividers for lures and tackle that



SANTA'S TOPS—Jacob Hudson Nacken, perhaps the world's tallest Santa at 7 feet, 8 inches in his Christmas stocking feet, is here being outfitted by a man on a step ladder before "going on" at a kiddies' party in a New York hospital. To do his "St. Nickie," Nacken was imported from Germany.

fits on top of the creel. A window on one side provides the opening through which fishes are slipped into the creel. Bright plastic lures and tiny thermometers to test water temperatures are more welcome additions to fisherman's gear.

Golfers will be intrigued by aluminum "woods" which can be adjusted in weight to suit individual needs. This adjustment is made in the aluminum head by means of a screw-in plug which carries removable discs that weigh one-sixteenth of an ounce each.

A practical gift designed to appeal to a gadget-lover is a miniature flashlight attached to a key chain. A one-inch bantam battery in this flashlight provides power enough for a strong beam of light.

Gadget for the sportsman is a cigaret lighter on a cord that can be hooked to a buttonhole to eliminate a search through pockets for an elusive match. The flameless lighter, it is claimed, works as well outdoors as indoors and will even do its job in the rain.

German Girl Can Have Her Pick of American Husbands

GETTYSBURG, S. D. — (AP) — Ilsa Derinowska of Hamburg, Germany, can have her pick from some 50 prospective husbands in the Midwest.

The 28-year-old German woman wrote a letter recently to Mayor Walter Sundergard of Gettysburg saying she was lonely and wanted "a good American husband." She described herself as "endowed with a bosom like Jane Russell and legs like Betty Grable." The mayor showed the letter to some newsmen.

The answering epistles came in from North Dakota, Wyoming, Iowa, Nebraska and Minnesota. Sundergard said he was forwarding them to Ilsa.

Christmas holly is supposed to represent the master of the house.

Magi Bring Gifts Jan. 6

Jan. 6 — the Day of the Magi Kings — is to Puerto Rican children what Christmas Day is to youngsters on the mainland. On that day, children in Puerto Rico eagerly probe through the shoe boxes which they have set out the night before, to see what the Three Wise Men of the East have brought. Many youngsters also place cardboard boxes filled with grass around their homes, so that the camels of the Three Wise Men may feed while the Magi are busy distributing gifts.

The same youthful anticipation and model behavior which precedes Christmas on the mainland is to be found among Puerto Rico's younger set for several weeks before Jan. 6, accentuated

by the sacramentos — reproductions in miniature of the Nativity — which young and old in Puerto Rico assemble as a mark of devotion. The most fortunate youngsters in Puerto Rico are those who receive presents from both Santa Claus on Christmas, and the Magi on Jan. 6, for many Puerto Rican households have the same tradition of Christmas tree and Christmas decorations as their neighbors on the mainland.

EGYPT GETS JAP CLOTH
CAIRO — (AP) — The reliable newspaper "Al Zaman" reports Egypt is considering a 50 percent cut in duties on cheap Japanese textiles to lower the cost of living. Local cloth is made of expensive long staple Egyptian cotton.

Christmas ivy is supposed to represent the mistress of the house.



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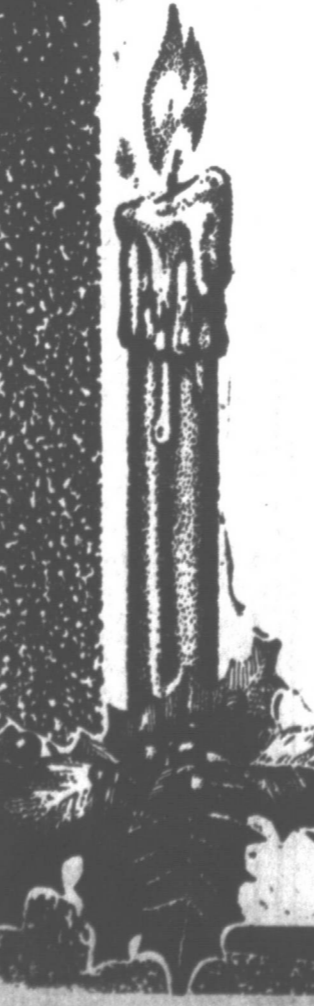
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That Bright Star Really Is Sirius

have the idea a yearly appearance is made by a star which religious tradition says was sent especially to guide Wise Men to the crib of an Infant Savior nearly 2,000 years ago.

Some astronomers have theorized the Star of Bethlehem was in reality a close conjunction of the planets Jupiter and Saturn—perhaps accompanied by a nova which is a sudden and temporary flare of light from a previously faint star.

Mathematicians have calculated the two planets were very near each other as seen from the earth in May, October and December of the year 7 B.C. By itself, Jupiter is an extremely brilliant object when well placed for observation. Saturn is not so bright but the two of them together probably provided quite a spectacle.

LITTLE BLUE DOOR
"Tis said that an old Mennonite custom was that when the front door was painted blue, the young men of the neighborhood knew they could go to court the marriageable daughter of the house—explained why so many persons hold

AP Newsfeatures
Note to Yuletide stargazers: That bright star you're likely to notice in the east on Christmas Eve isn't the Star of Bethlehem. It's Sirius, a winter star, the brightest in the sky and the one which uniformly catches the attention of people who confine their astronomical observations to Dec. 24.

Star experts, amateur and professional, are accustomed to hearing Christmas Eve reports of a brilliant star in the east which "just must have been the Star of Bethlehem." But the only reason it isn't reported at any other time is that nobody pays much attention to stars in the east during the rest of the winter—except the people who know what they're seeing.

It has never been historically explained why so many persons hold

There Will Always Be Christmas Trees

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special)—Fifty years ago a President of the United States banned the use of Christmas trees in the White House because he thought the practice of cutting young evergreens was wasteful.

That order, issued by Theodore Roosevelt, went unchallenged until two of his young sons were caught in the act of smuggling a Christmas tree into the Executive Mansion. To escape their father's presidential wrath they appealed to America's first professional forester and Theodore Roosevelt's good friend, Gifford Pinchot, to intercede for them.

Pinchot did, pointing out that proper cutting of small evergreens for Christmas use is not harmful and frequently actually helps a forest.

That advice, good enough 50 years ago to lift a White House ban and convince a strong-minded president, is echoed this year by no less an authority than the American Forest Products Industries.

"Don't worry about the plight of the poor Christmas tree," says this wood-industry sponsored organization, "it's as replaceable as the Thanksgiving turkey and just as indispensable to the American scene."

Nearly half of the 21 million evergreens that make up America's 1949 Christmas tree harvest were farm produced. Nearly nine-tenths of the entire crop was cut on privately owned timberland. To augment this domestic Christmas tree harvest about five million evergreens are imported annually, most of them from Canada.

Besides bringing a fragrant freshness of the forest into two out of every three American homes this December, the three-month Christmas tree harvest pours an estimated 50 million dollars into the Nation's economic bloodstream.

Most American Christmas trees are thinned from natural growth forests. An original stand of from five to ten thousand trees per acre will actually mature only a few hundred sawlog-size trees. Most of the small evergreens, selectively cut for Christmas sale, would sooner or later have been eliminated by Nature in the life and death struggle for forest space.

When it comes to selecting a Christmas tree, most Americans have as many individual likes and dislikes as they have in motor cars or hats. Color, limb strength, shape, compactness, fragrance, an



These spruce trees from Northern Minnesota's second growth forests will bring Christmas cheer into homes all over America. This scene typifies the holiday forest harvest just completed. (Halvorson Trees, Photo)

ability to retain needles and, of course, price are factors. Best seller on the Christmas tree market today is the balsam fir, a product of New England and Northeastern United States. About six and one-half million of these are sold in an average year. Douglas firs, products of the Pacific Coast, are the second most popular. Black spruce, red cedar and white spruce follow in that order. Together these make up 85 percent of all Christmas trees sold in the United States. Scotch pine, Southern pine, red spruce, Virginia pine, white fir, Norway spruce, hemlock, cypress, juniper and Engelman spruce also are marketed in commercial quantities.

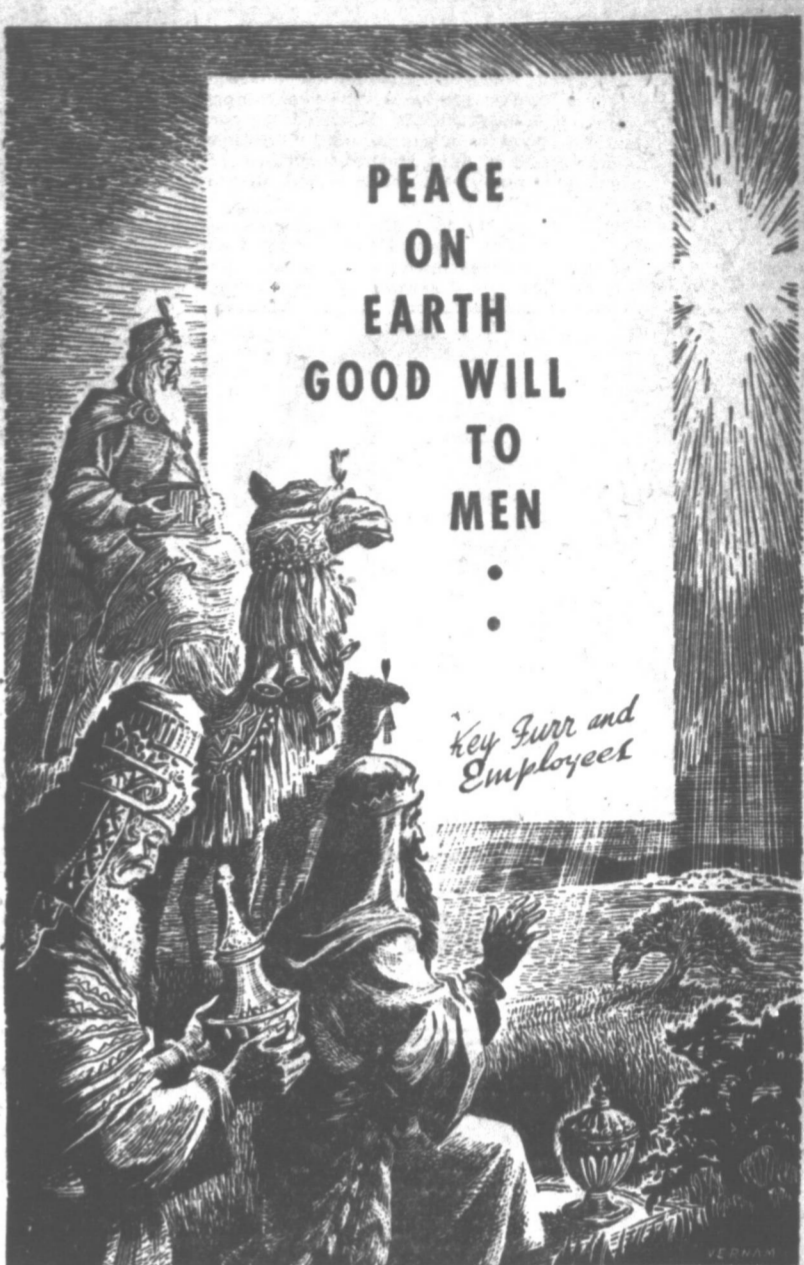
Historians disagree over how and when this Christmas tree business started in America. Home-sick Hessian soldiers, brought over from Germany by the British to fight George Washington's Continental Army, probably introduced the custom.

Another German, the sixteenth century religious leader Martin Luther, generally is credited with originating the custom of decorating Christmas trees with lights. Noting how snowflakes on the boughs of evergreen trees reflected moonlight, Martin Luther determined to capture the same effect in his home by placing lighted candles on the tree. The idea spread through the centuries. This Christmas eve, just as they have since 1923, people will gather around an evergreen tree on the White House lawn to participate in a tree lighting ceremony dedicated by the President and broadcast nationally.

Forestry-wise the United States has traveled a full circle since Theodore Roosevelt's day. Christmas trees, like sawlogs and pulpwood, have become a crop in America. This country's forests, if protected and wisely managed, can produce both wood and Christmas trees in quantities sufficient to meet present as well as future needs.

SACHET GIFTS—ty little satin hearts filled with these sachet gifts keep in mind. Some of the simplest daintiest sachet, handkerchief cases that are sachet scented, small sachet are sachet scented, small sachet tucked in between cotton batting, and least expensive Christmas pillows for lingerie drawers, and gifts are those which are made out to the exact shape of the with sachet. You can make pre-quilted sachet hangers. In making article.

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Yule Log Hunt Annual Event In Colorado Mountain Town

Visitors from coast to coast follow trails to the little town of Palmer Lake, between Denver and Colorado Springs, to join in an annual Yule Log Hunt high in the Rockies.

Christmas up here, over 7,000 feet high, is a "White Christmas" of undimmed beauty. White trails run up and down the mountains outlining a surfer's sandy gravel roads. Across the little lake below, trains untold floating white banners, while a soft white blanket wraps the town in a woolly comforter.

The green of the evergreens, spruce, pines, on the lofty mountains, splashed with intricate tracery of white snow produces a poignant memory of an old-fashioned, glistening Christmas card. High above the town, on Sundance Mountain, shines Colorado's world-famed Christmas Star.

The night before Christmas the Yule Log is hidden high in the mountains. Christmas Day the little community house, center of all town activities, becomes the mecca for questing Christmas guests. Inside they find warmth and welcome and here in a way that others hunt high in the mountains for the Yule Log. The services hinge upon its discovery. Redcoated searchers begin their climb, booted and hooded, happy and reverent. Children and old folk, mile-aged and young, look forward to this day of days throughout the year.

Hours may pass after the search begins before nods and smiles of watchers in the little

house welcome the Finders of the Christmas Log, who are pulling it proudly over the snow with the triumphant "find er" riding upon it.

Red coats are matched now by red cheeks as happy people saw the log into great pieces outside, then carry them in to be placed in the huge fireplace on the stage. When the flames roar upward, the service begins. Songs, talks, glasses of wassail and a speech by the Governor of the state are all part of the day's program and enjoyed by people from over the nation.

Girls Balk at Date Planning

WASHINGTON—Sessions of the National Interfraternity Conference lasted right up to the last minute before the grand ball, leaving no time for delegates to call for blind dates the Arrangements Committee had arranged.

So the Arrangements Committee made another arrangement. The girls would be called for in groups by other fraternity men. "Oh, no," said the girls. "We don't want to be herded."

So the Arrangements Committee arranged another arrangement. The girls were asked to get themselves to fraternity houses, where they would dress and be met by their dates. "That went over better. But taking the date home is an individual problem," said the committee.



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Trees Can Be Made Safe From Fire

Be careful, home Santa Clauses, how you handle that Christmas tree. It takes just a spark to turn a beautiful spruce into a blazing torch in your living room. Christmas trees are full of flammable pitch and resins, and burn furiously even when fresh cut.

To help you keep Christmas merry, the National Board of Fire Underwriters offers these safety rules for installing and decorating your Christmas tree:

1. Choose a small tree, instead of a big one. It will be just as pretty and much less hazardous.
2. Keep your tree outdoors until just before Christmas. Install it in the coolest part of the room, away from fireplaces, heaters or radiators.
3. Do not, under any circum-

stances, use cotton or paper for decoration on the tree or around the tree.

4. Do not place electric trains around the tree.
5. Use electric lights for illumination. Never use candles. See that all wires are in good condition. Use Christmas tree lighting outfits which have been tested by Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. These can be identified by a tag bearing the name of Underwriters Laboratories Inc. attached to the wires.
6. Do not plug or unplug the electric cords beneath the tree. Provide a switch some distance from the tree to turn the light off or on.
7. Do not leave lights burning when no one is in the house. From time to time inspect the tree to see whether any needles have started to turn brown. If so, change the position of the lights.
8. When needles start falling, take the tree down and discard it.



ASSISTANTS TO SANTA — William F. Dwyer, founder of the Kansas City Santa Claus Club, which renovates toys for distribution to poor children, looks on while 22-month-old Bobby Bergnes, son of a club worker, tests a rebuilt horse.

Visitor Sees New Type of Yule Gaiety

A new experience in celebrating the yuletide season awaits the visitor to Colombia. Here, only hours from the United States by air, the seasons are reversed and instead of snow-covered streets, there is warm sunshine and the spirit of Mardi Gras and carnival time.

Christmas Eve, or the night of aguinaldo (gifts), finds crowds of masquerading people singing and dancing through the streets. Each person tries to see through the other's disguise and claim an aguinaldo from the person whose identity is discovered.

The fun and merrymaking continues until near midnight when church bells summon all to the popular Misa del Gallo (Midnight Mass). And after mass there is a sumptuous feast at home with friends and neighbors sitting down to all sorts of delicacies especially prepared for this occasion.

This spirit of good fellowship continues until the wee hours of the morning for the grownups but not so for the youngsters. They retire early after having placed their shoes outside the door or window. Next morning they awake to find that the Christ Child and the Three Kings have paid their annual visit and filled their shoes with the toys and candy they wished for.

This custom is not observed in all Latin American cities, but it is in Popayana, a city where strict adherence to tradition endears it to many tourists who have been there. Only a short

distance from Cali, in the beautiful Cauca valley, Popayana can be reached by Panagra (Pan American-Grace Airways) plane in a few hours flying time from Miami.

The first submarine for the U. S. Navy was built by John Philip Holland nearly 50 years ago.

Holiday Snapshots Put You in Solid With Your Friends

The holiday season offers the amateur photographer a golden opportunity to pay off social debts, cement friendships, and sniff for his supper — all with his little camera.

Just take along your camera and a couple of photoflood lights to that Christmas dinner or New Year's Eve party, and offer to snap a picture of the youngsters under the Christmas tree or the family at the dinner table —

your hostess will regard you with a loving eye and forever after include you on her party list.

Now, as to the matter of lighting these indoor photographs. If you can find some flash bulbs, your problem is simple. But you can do a good job with two reflector flood lamps, mounted in handy clamp-on units so that you can fasten them to a chair, screen, mantel or any object of convenient height. Don't forget to take along 25 feet of wire with a plug at one end and a triple outlet at the other — few homes will

have this available for you to borrow.

As to placing the lights, there's a fool-proof method of triangle lighting.

Briefly, it consists of using two identical lights, one at the camera as near the lens as possible. The other is placed parallel and to one side of the subject, so that the camera with its adjacent light, the subject, and the second light form a triangle. How to work out the exact distance of the triangle for best results is clearly

explained in the photolamp data sheet.

One more suggestion: With photofloods, you will probably have to take a short time exposure, so put your camera on a solid support, rather than try to hold it.

BURGLARS BELIEVE — WASHINGTON — AP — The sign said "Do-Not-Touch," so the burglars did. They took \$23 hidden in a kitchen pot and a \$1 and \$2 bill tacked to the wall as good luck souvenirs.

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Brighten Santa Claus' Castle

SANTA CLAUS, IND.—Armed with cleaning rags and a bottle of Cream Wax, two Johnson gnomes scrambled to the roof of the Santa Claus Castle to brighten the sign for Christmas. During the holiday season more than 100,000 visitors will pilgrimage to this historical place to tour the fabulous castle and mail gifts and cards from the post office with the magical name.

Santa Claus, Ind., the only town so-named in the United States, was founded in 1846 as Santafee, but was unable to obtain a post office because there already was one in Indiana with that name. At a community party on Christmas Eve in 1855, the residents decided to call their community Santa Claus and the following year a post office of that name was established. In recent years millions of letters, cards, and toys have been forwarded to Santa Claus for mailing, and all the residents of the little town turn out to help postmark the tidal rush of Christmas mail.

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Quaint Customs Observed in Switzerland's Holiday Time
By MAITE WIMMER

Christmas is a poetic season in Switzerland, when the whole countryside is a glorious symphony in white, with vast snowfields sparkling as if studded with diamonds, with hills and trees resplendent in the frost's inevitable coat of white and sharply silhouetted mountains pointing high toward a cloudless sky.

In Switzerland it is not on the night before Christmas when jolly Santa Claus makes his rounds, but mostly on Dec. 6, which is the birthday of the first Santa Claus the world ever knew. He was St. Nicholas, Bishop of Myra in Asia Minor, who in the 11th Century gave presents to the poor yearly on that day.

Progressive and intellectual Zurich, for instance, takes keen delight in celebrating the old saint's birthday on the given date. In this great metropolitan area a tall Santa Claus, with flowing white beard, and carrying a huge bag on his back, leads a long procession of eager "help-

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ers," mostly from 13 to 15 years. These assistants wear long white nightshirts, huge cardboard masks and illuminated head-dress fashioned by themselves under the guidance of their teachers.

At remote Bellwald, in the Upper Valais, Santa Claus don't start immediately after lunch when all the school boys assemble on the village square. Every lad carries a good-sized cowbell and four boys are garbed in weird costumes which in early days were said to keep away the supposedly evil spirits of winter.

Santa Claus leads a colorful procession which stops at every home in the village and neighboring hamlets to collect sensible gifts like apples, nuts and cookies. When dusk falls the youngsters return to their own villages and after supper they proceed under the supervision of grownups to the Borough Hall where the local school master sees to it that donations received are properly divided.

Merry Santa Claus celebrations also take place in the Aargau Valley, canton of Zug, and at Kaltbrunn in the canton of St. Gall. In the latter village grown-up celebrants wear white trousers and shirts, elaborate illuminated headgear and huge cowbells. School boys in this instance don white blouses and knitted wool caps. Only a few indulge in fancy hats. Together with their donkey and attendant driver all participants parade importantly through the streets.

In the canton of Schwyz children's good deeds are inscribed on Santa Claus day on a wooden cane. Several evenings before Dec. 6 horns are blown to announce that Santa is coming soon. At last the old Saint arrives in company of the "Polli" or "Schmutzli," a mysterious figure disguised in black. Santa enters homes unexpectedly, wishes first to hear the children's prayers, then leaves his gifts. Schwyz Santa Claus wear the characteristic white beard, a gilt cane and illuminated, topknot-style headgear. In some districts they are accompanied by angels in white robes, with golden wings and crowns.

In a few Swiss districts the observance of Santa Claus traditions is postponed for New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. One of these late celebrants is pleasant Urnsch in the canton of Appenzel-Ausser Rhoden. Here young men prepare for the Dec. 31 event several weeks before. "Santa Claus" garments which have been carefully stored in wooden chests are brought out for the occasion.

Urnsch Santa Claus celebrants—according to Swiss writer P. Schulthess—wear two distinctive outfits. One consists of a harness fashioned of two-inch wide leather straps adorned with numerous orange-sized bells of bronze. The second regalia features two large cowbells, one in front and one in the back, fastened to a belt which is worn around the waist. While the men wearing the harness with the round bells are dressed in women's costumes, those displaying the cowbells appear in masculine garb.

Actually, Santa Claus plays an insignificant part in the actual Swiss Christmas celebrations which are mostly observed on Dec. 24, Christkindl, the Christ Child, is the good spirit who makes the rounds of Swiss homes that night. This radiant angel is said to have come from the far North, traveling on a fairy-like reindeer-drawn sleigh, it brings children a beautifully trimmed Christmas tree and many gifts. Christkindl, too, like Santa Claus, stresses obedience and admonishes naughty youngsters.

In this little land the angelic Christmas message "Peace on earth and good will toward men" is gloriously fulfilled.

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Oysters Grow Faster

BOUZIGUES, France — (AP) — The discovery that oysters grow four times faster in a salt-lake off the Mediterranean than they do on Atlantic Ocean breeding grounds has led to a thriving new industry here.

The salty basin of Thau, a deep but mud-shoored inlet of the Mediterranean, seems to be particularly rich in the tiny animal organisms on which the oyster lives.

Each year thousands of marenne oysters are shipped from the Atlantic breeding grounds of Arcachon to this village for the vital stages of their growth. They achieve in less than one year a growth their less lucky fellows take four years to achieve at Arcachon. Then they are shipped back to Arcachon, where they are again submerged in the Atlantic to get the green color which French gourmets require of their marennes.

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A Prayer At Christmas

THE hope that children everywhere will grow up in a world of peace and happiness is an appropriate theme for the coming Christmas season, one which finds the timeless message of "peace on earth" still not a certainty. This hope is reflected in many of this year's Christmas cards, in gentle scenes showing children in attitudes of joy and adoration. Verses, too, express this theme. One which is especially appropriate in a year when all of us hope for peace and unity reads:

"Little prayer
Go far and wide—
Bless all our friends
This Christmas!"



Newest Dolls for 'Mother' Can Do All but Walk Alone

By DOROTHY ROE
AP Newsfeatures Writer

Stars of the 1949 Christmas doll parade are so lifelike they would fool even a mother.

The newest edition of the baby doll cries, talks, breathes and has an almost human skin. In addition to its earlier accomplishments of eating, wetting and blowing bubbles. So much like real babies are these prima donnas of toyland that little girls who own them will have sound training for future roles as mothers.

Mommy's Baby, a startlingly lifelike baby doll, cries "mama" with clear enunciation of syllables when the body or legs are patted. This realistic baby cry is achieved by a plastic voice box designed on the principle of the human larynx.

doll which laughs, cries, coos and carries on an animated conversation by means of a phonograph record concealed in the body. When the key is wound the doll produces realistic baby talk for several minutes.

The dydee doll comes this year equipped with a diaper can and a nurse's outfit complete with rubber gloves for the small mother. Complete paraphernalia for nursing a formula also is available.

Little girls can now try out new hairdos on a new doll which comes with a home permanent wave kit. A new kind of nylon wig is used which is chemically treated to withstand frequent waving.

Portrait dolls, fashionably costumed, are packed in shadow boxes designed to be permanent pictures on the nursery wall.

There's a new kind of talking. There's a considerable increase

in the number of boy dolls this year. The juvenile enthusiasm for cowboys has inspired a whole crop of bronco-busting dolls with ten-gallon hats and lariats. There also are boy dolls dressed in everything from overalls to boxing trunks. Brother and sister dolls also are popular.

Whole miniature families are available to tenant the elaborate new doll houses of the season, some of which have electric lights and modern architecture.

EGYPT TURNS TO RICE

CAIRO — (AP) — The Egyptian government is winning more and more farmers to its campaign to cut production of cotton, which often has been in surplus, and raise more rice to hold Egypt's new-won position as a big rice exporter.

Home Coal Furnace Burns Own Smoke

URBANA, Ill. — (AP) — The University of Illinois has a home coal furnace that burns its own smoke. The coal burned includes numerous low-grade fuels that now can not be burned in many cities, because of anti-smoke regulations. The furnace is like a U-shaped pipe. Coal is poured into one side. The fire is started at the bottom of the coal. But the fumes do not go up through the coal bed. The draft comes down through the coal. The result is that as the fresh coal gets hot and the gasses form, they are drawn downward. These gasses are the smoke. They pass down and around the bottom of the U and start upward on the side opposite the burning coal. The heat is enough to ignite them as they leave the coal bed, a stream of fresh air which enters the furnace at this point enables the smoke to burn completely.

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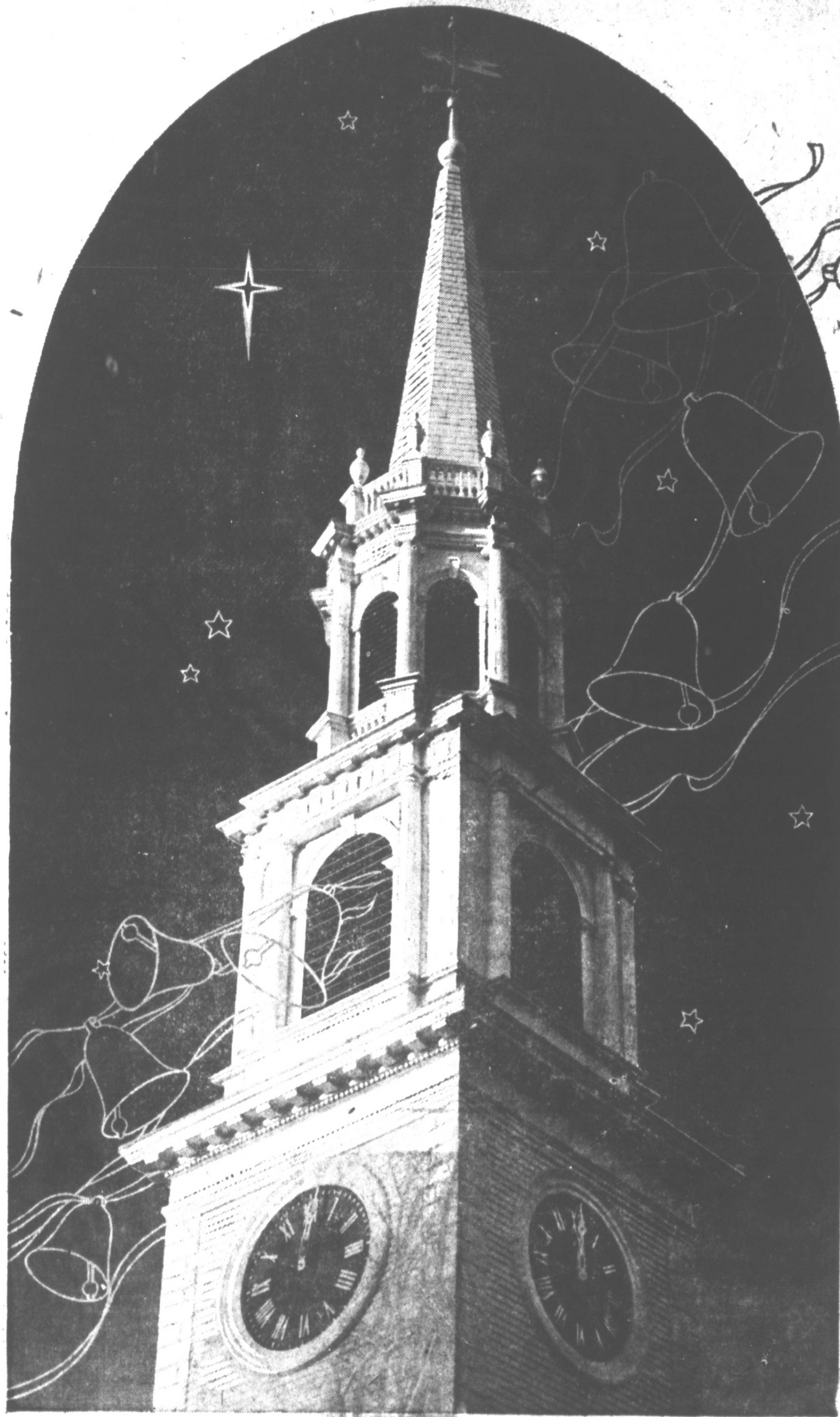
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Events Such as Christmas Should Be Recorded in Pics

By IRVING DESFOR
AP Newsfeatures

Here it is Christmas, the season of good will, and I'm having trouble with the female department in my household. Insurrection almost. Listen:

"If you want pictures of the Christmas going-on, you'd better be all set up in advance. Camera, lights, right angle and everything." This was the head Amazon talking. "No more waiting when you shoot everything till I get my camera," like you did when you saw the steaming turkey arrive at the Thanksgiving table.

"Suddenly it occurred to you that it would make a good picture," continued my ever-loving. "Any real camera fan could have guessed that ahead of time. So we all had to wait, drooling, while the turkey huffed along with us till you hunted up all the equipment and were ready. No wonder the children wouldn't 'co-operate,' as you call it, after they saw the first flash go off. You're lucky you got even one picture."

"This is fair warning, then, for you to be all prepared if you think that what happens to the Christmas tree and packages when the children first see them will make a good picture. Of course it will. . . it always has," she added logically.

Now how can a shutter bug argue with an unreasonable wife like that. . . when she's so right? So I made me a mental resolve that for the full holiday season the whole camera outfit is to be within easy shooting reach

for all the exciting, active, happy moments that should be captured permanently for the family album.

"And speaking of the children," (I don't recall having brought the subject up), "let me remind you that we have three daughters. . . all equally lovable. From the children's photo albums nobody would know that Phyllis belonged to us and many would suspect that we lost Barbara somewhere a couple of years ago. Susan the first child, is the only one with a fairly complete photo record. Where's the 'childish' enthusiasm you started out with?"

"Okay, okay. . . I get the point, all three of them. My youngest daughters may be doing the same cute things our eldest did, but I've got to prove it with pictures. I'll do the album, all mounted and captioned and dated."

"And another thing. . ." she was off again, "I don't like being pushed out of my own closets and drawers all over the house by all your photo gadgets. First you squeezed a little space in the living room drawers after monopolizing the basement, then you put a few things away temporarily in the bedroom closets. . . a long time ago, I might add. . . and now you're crowding me out of the kitchen closets. No wonder it takes you so long to get 'set-up' . . . everything is so up-set and scattered. You'd do better to put everything together in one spot."

That's one of the troubles with photography today — unreasonable wives. They want a guy to do things the easy way.

The Tampa Daily News



MERRY CHRISTMAS—Everything needed for a Christmas dinner is being put into individual baskets in the Salvation Army Hall on E. Albert. Shown above are workers filling the baskets of cheer which were delivered, along with toys to those families who requested them. Around 200 persons attended a community Christmas tree at the hall last night. Shown above, left to right—Mrs. M. S. Jenkins, bending over; Mrs. Fred McClure, wife of Lt. McClure, officer in charge; standing in rear, Mrs. D. B. Love; Mrs. R. R. Rochelle, stooped, down in front; Mrs. Hazel Mahoney, and Lt. McClure, holding groceries.

BLAME RUSSIA FOR BITTER WEATHER— Cold Fronts Start in Siberia; Play Tricks on Nearing Texas

DALLAS — (AP) — When you're up to your knees in sleet and snow, your car radiator is busted and the cold is killing your cattle like flies—

Blame Russia.

That's where your bitter winter troubles begin. I. W. Zimmerman, assistant meteorologist of the Dallas Weather Bureau, says Zimmerman, keeping a wary eye on his weather maps as the season of repeated cold fronts gets underway, says the state's tricky weather is caused by rapidly changing conditions.

Sometimes a forecast just a few hours old is as out of date as a football game prediction. Sudden formation of new low pressure areas cause this. Sometimes a low pressure area develops in an afternoon to scramble everyone's estimate.

Often pressure areas act like a drunk driver, stopping and starting erratically. When they reach Texas, there's a big smash-up.

Here, essentially, is what makes the cold waves sweep across Texas and what sometimes stops them, Zimmerman explains.

There are several kinds. They can be recorded and measured by barometers and other means.

The ones which bring the cold weather to Texas start in Siberia, in the cold deserts of Siberia.

These Siberian low pressure areas are formed by great bands of winds moving in opposite directions. Where these bands brush against each other, they form eddies of air. It's the same thing, on a vastly larger scale, that happens when a tornado or hurricane is formed.

The air, moving upward in the eddy, forms a mild semi-vacuum, and lowers the pressure.

Bitterly cold Arctic Circle air outside these low pressure areas spills over into the area of low pressure. It's like cutting a slit into the top of the dam, allowing water to spill over.

The low pressure area then starts moving south and east, bringing the cold air right behind it. It crosses the Aleutians near Alaska. Moving over that section, the low areas get lower.

Then they move down through Canada and slip behind the Canadian Rockies, where often they get a cold air follows along.

This low area, still followed by the mass of cold air, follows the eastern slopes of the Rockies in a sort of chute pointing toward Texas.

When the low areas get somewhere around the Texas-Oklahoma border, they run into a fighting enemy.

So do Texas motorists, ranchers, farmers, linemen and all of you who must be out in the weather. For that's when we get the worst Texas weather.

These southwestern low pressure areas come roaring in from Texas looking for trouble. They head straight east. And they stop the cold fronts moving down from the northwest.

That's what throws the weatherman's predictions off their timing. Perhaps you've noticed his forecast that a severe cold wave is due. Then it doesn't arrive. Don't blame him. The cold air got stopped a matter of hours by the southwestern low pressure area. It will arrive sometime.

When a cold front is stopped in this manner, it hovers over the section in which it happened in a stagnant, and it sleet and snows and remains bitterly cold for days. That's what happened last winter when so many cattle died of exposure in Nebraska, Kansas and the Dakotas.

Ever hear your grandmother say "it's so hot today, we'll have a blizzard tomorrow."

She was right. That's often the next stage in this journey of the cold wave.

This Southwest easterly wind, which has been fighting the northwestern eddy has a quick warm air up from the Gulf of Mexico. Then the southwestern moves on toward the east.

This drop in cold air from the north — plunk — into the lap of Texas, like it had fallen off a cliff.

It's that sort of thing which brings the temperature down from comfortable 70 to a bitter 20 degrees in a couple of hours.

This southwestern eddy, just to cross everyone up, occasionally doesn't move directly east. Instead it may move southeast, below the Lower Rio Grande Valley and on into the Gulf.

That's when you valley folk drag out the muds pots to spotted the citrus trees. The southwestern pressure area, in this instance, leaves the valley wide open to the Northwestern cold wave.

The path of those low pressure areas.

The Siberian cold waves and the Southwestern eddies we have with us all year. Zimmerman points out. But in the summer, the cold waves — merely cool in that season — turn eastward along the Canadian border and rarely reach Texas.

The Southwestern eddies are rarely cold. But in the spring they cause unsettled and destructive weather — hail, thunderstorms and tornadoes.

But in the winter, the Russian low pressure areas, followed by the cold mass of air spilling into the semi-vacuum, have enough punch to drive their way eventually to Texas.

Then it's a good time to lock the door, build up the fire and stay home.

Santa Had to Hitch-Hike Back

SAN ANTONIO — (AP) — Santa Claus arrived at Lackland Air Force Base by helicopter, but had to hitch hike his way back north.

His helicopter took an unscheduled drop near the end of Lackland Street while Santa was distributing gifts to some 1500 children of the air base personnel.

The machine struck a guy wire on a utility pole and bumped to the ground, damaging the blades.

The helicopter was piloted by Major G. P. Gaffney, Connally Air Force Base, Waco.

AID TO GERMANY

HAMBURG — (AP) — Since the end of the war every man woman and child in the United Kingdom has contributed four pounds to the feeding and maintenance of the Germans, an official British report revealed. The report said that Britain has spent over 200,000,000 pounds since 1945.

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NEWMAN'S HOISUM ENRICHED BREAD

'Alice' First Classic Put Into Pictures

AP Newsfeatures

First aid for bedtime storytellers is slated for top position in Santa's pack this Christmas. It is a new full-color print of a painting of "Alice in Wonderland," by Ayres Houghtelling, a self-taught New York artist who believes in the creative stimulus of fantasy.

The painting, first of a series, depicts the complete story of Alice in a panorama picture, including all the well-loved characters and incidents. As pure decoration, it is a perfect picture for a child's room. But Houghtelling believes that it will help both parents and children to rediscover the charm of the famous book, and will encourage fathers to new efforts in storytelling. Says he:

"Modern kids need more direct contact with their fathers. They need more of a sense of companionship with the head of the house. Too often they think of him as an unapproachable grinch who's away all day at the office and mustn't be disturbed in the evenings. They'd be pleasantly surprised if they found he was an entertaining guy who could spin a yarn."

Good home-storytelling, the artist believes, can whet a child's appetite for the best in literature. He adds:

"But the trouble is that too often the parents themselves think of the classics as dull — probably because they've never taken the time to read them — and their attitude discourages the children from trying out for themselves. The modern child needs more fantasy to stimulate his imaginative and creative faculties."

One man has opened a school to train people to become better imitation Santa Clauses. He has classes on how to paste a beard on properly, and how to stroke it thoughtfully without becoming too loose. He warns them not to smoke anything but a hooka because of the fire hazard. He teaches them how to laugh so their abdomens "shake like a bowl full of jelly," but what's more important he teaches them how to counterfeit Santa's laugh. The proper guffaw, as I understand it, is "Ho-ho-ho-ha-ha." Seems untrained Santas are apt to go just "Ha-ha-ha-ha."

I'm against this trend. But I'm more opposed to the way certain enterprises are implying that Santa Claus has changed his traditional methods of operation. Santa Claus has made no changes these many years except that in cities he will enter apartment dwellings without fireplaces by coming in a handy door or window. I also understand he had a bad time recently by landing in the middle of an oil burner, and is being a bit more careful about all types of chimneys these days.

Any time you see a purported picture of Santa riding in an airplane or automobile of any type, it is an unauthorized portrait and the central figure probably is one of the Santa imitators.

Santa Claus is an ageless, good-humored man who wears an unusual costume, lives at the North Pole, travels by sled and reindeer through the skies and brings toys on Christmas Eve to good children.

The artist started his painting of "Alice in Wonderland" after his three children, Vickie, Vinnie and Randy, demanded to "see the pictures" when he read the book to them. Houghtelling says:

"I discovered that modern kids demand pictures because their lives are filled with them. Movies, comic books, picture magazines surround them on all sides. So I decided the only way to get children interested in reading a good book was to make a beautiful picture — really a kind of exciting preview — out of the book."

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Science Does Many Things For Christmas

By HOWARD W. BLAKESLEE
Science Editor

NEW YORK — (AP) — We switched on the lights of the 40-foot Christmas tree.

My GI friend, who had done most of the work, mopped his face: "Whew! whatta job. But that tree'll make a thousand kids happy."

"Scientifically correct," I said. He whirled and spat — "Scientific! Nuts! What has science done for Christmas? Science makes A-bombs. Science can't even explain Santa Claus. Just cold, correct stuff."

"Wait, Joe," I said. "While I



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tell you what science does for Christmas.

Thousands of grandpas and grandmas who are going to see Christmas trees this year would not even be here except for science. It's only a few years ago that these grandpapas would have known one in ten persons of their age was certain to die of pneumonia in January and February. Penicillin changed that.

Grandpa and grandma, who suffer the agonies of arthritis, won't hold so much this Christmas. They still can't get the new 1949 hormones that miraculously stop pain, but they can look forward to relief — and for the first time.

There are 60,000 American babies who will see Christmas this year who never would have lived long enough to see Santa a few years ago. This year's death rate among the newborn dropped to a new low, and others were cured of infant diseases.

Thousands of mothers who will hold 1949 babies to see Santa wouldn't have done it in 1948. They would have died in childbirth. Mother deaths in childbirth dropped to a new low in the United States this year. It's about one-quarter better than last year.

Science did this. Medical science was one reason. Others were better food, more of it due to scientific farming, and the rapid transportation that gets the food to the people who need it.

"But," said Joe, "what's the use of saving all these people when science is telling us how to kill more than it can save?"

That's where you are wrong, Joe. Take the hateful A-bomb. The energy that makes it was used this year for thousands of experiments in agriculture, to produce better and more food, with less labor. And for tens of thousands of other good works.

It is estimated there are more than 43 million motor cars on U. S. highways.

There's Only One Postmark, but Two St. Nicks in Santa Claus, Indiana

By WILLIAM GRANT
NEA Special Correspondent

SANTA CLAUS, Ind. — (NEA) — There are two battle camps in this tiny town, which at this time of the year is supposed to set the pace for peace and good will.

The trouble arises out of an old controversy that now has visitors asking themselves: "Where is Santa Claus?" That there is one, they are sure. They get confused when they find two.

There is Santa Claus Land, where the post office is located. Then, only a mile away, there is Santa Claus, Ind., where the post office used to be.

Between the two, in a vacant lot overrun with weeds, stands a giant stone figure of Santa Claus. He has made his judgment, if seems, for he is looking toward neither town, but up into the heavens.

Heading one of the rival camps is Milton Harris, former Indianapolis lawyer, who in 1934 erected the \$60,000 Santa Claus Castle. This is where Santa Claus — Charles Edward Spriggs — lives the year-round.

In the "Night Before Christmas Room" he takes orders from the children. Back of the castle is Santa's workshop. He has about four residents of the town helping him assemble the toys. Visitors are invited to watch as the toys are put together.

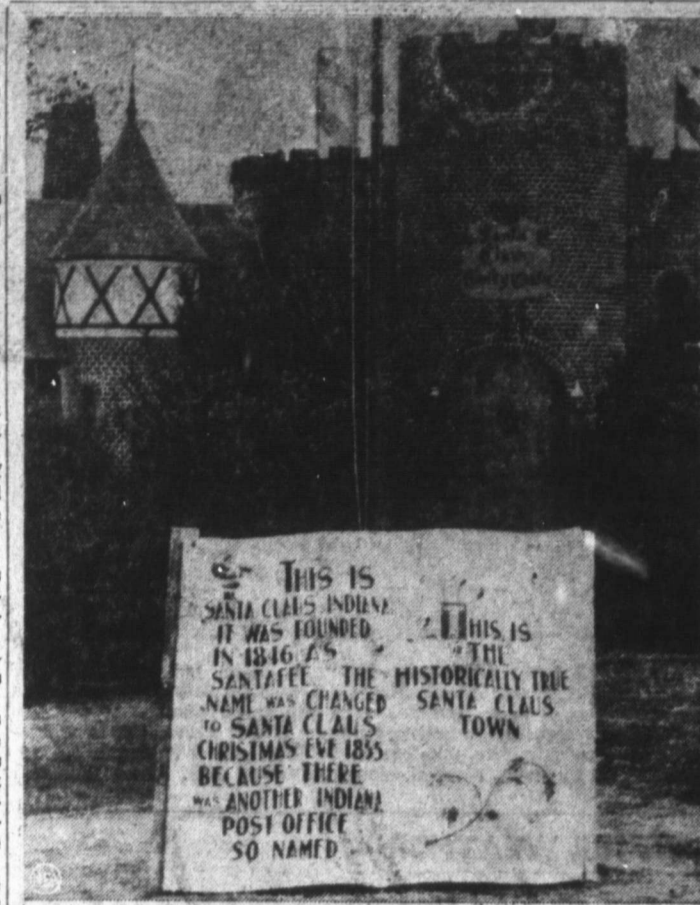
On the other side of the fence is William Koch, who manages the Santa Claus Land, Inc. This is where the post office was moved in 1946, when the old post office building in Santa Claus, Ind., was reported in bad condition.

The post office now sits conveniently between the gift shop and the museum in Koch's building.

Santa Claus Land, Inc., five miles from Dale, Ind., is built on three hills. Among its attractions are a gift shop, museum, dining room, toy railroad, the post office, a toy shop and Santa Claus' reindeer building.

Elbert S. Reinke is postmaster at Santa Claus Land. At 30, he is the youngest man to hold the job. Normally only two are employed in the post office, but during the Christmas rush, some 20 extra clerks are hired to help out.

Reinke estimates that 10,000 packages will be sent to the post office this season to be re-mailed with the Santa Claus postmark. The post office will also receive 30,000 letters from children



SANTA CLAUS CASTLE claims it's the real Santa Claus, Ind.

throughout the world. All letters will be answered by Santa Claus. Altogether, some 1,500,000 pieces of mail will be handled.

Santa Claus, Ind., got its name about 1855. The residents decided they wanted a post office for their village, which was called Santafee.

What they didn't know was that there already was a Santafee, Ind., with a post office. They were refused the request.

They learned of the turn of events on Christmas Eve. At a gathering that night, a small boy, seeing a star streak across the sky, was supposed to have said: "Look, there goes Santa Claus and his reindeer." The town had a new name, and now it has two Santas.

Hollywood Has Quotes of Year

HOLLYWOOD — (AP) — What are the deathless quotes of the year in Hollywood?

Maybe some of these won't live into the second half-century, but they seemed out of the ordinary. Here are some of the bright, pointed or inane sayings collected from the 1949 news:

Robert Mitchum, commenting on his sentence at the county detention farm: "It's an experience every taxpayer should go through."

Laurence Olivier, after winning the Academy awards: "I always did say Shakespeare was a good script writer."

Fred Allen, on the FCC ban on giveaway air shows: "They have taken radio back from the scavengers and given it back to the entertainers."

Milton Berle, answering an attack on him by Allen: "Allen still has the first penny ever thrown at him."

James Mason: "Hollywood is filled with frustrations, but not uninhabitable."

Claudette Colbert, disapproving French bathing suits: "Of the many features of a woman's anatomy, one of the least attractive is the navel."

Mae West: "I'm still looking for the right man. My trouble is I find so many right ones it's hard to decide."

DROUGHT CUTS DEER FOOD WASHINGTON — (AP) — The National Park Service says deer, elk and other animals that winter off the lower ranges of Yellowstone Park will have less feed this year because of lack of rain in April and May.



SANTA'S POSTMARK is in Santa Claus Land, a mile from the castle, where Carolyn Ann Jandson of Memphis, Tenn., deposits her Christmas mail.

Diane Moller's Fairy Godmother Lost Her Magic

CHICAGO — (AP) — Ailing Diane Moller's fairy godmother has lost her magic.

"Diane, five, of South Jacksonville, Fla., can neither speak nor hear well because of a spinal ailment.

Her grandmother, Mrs. Eugene Rickert, 68, of Chicago has reserved for Diane the very special love for children who are afflicted.

Months ago Mrs. Rickert began wondering what would be the perfect gift to make Diane happy at Christmas. She looked back into her own childhood in Germany and recalled a never-realized dream of owning a German-made Kate Kruse doll.

"Just to look at the doll will make Diane happy," Mrs. Rickert thought.

For months the grandmother saved her pennies. Her husband, Ted, who works in a rendering plant, helped. Finally they had \$30.

Joyfully Mrs. Rickert sat down and wrote a letter to a daughter, Mrs. Johanna Roese of Reinbek, near Hamburg, Germany. She enclosed the money and wrote careful instructions for buying the doll.

A month ago Mrs. Rickert got word the doll was on its way.

The package arrived. The wrapper carried a German custom stamp showing the package had been opened and found to contain a doll and six linen towels.

"See, papa," the excited grandmother cried. "I am lucky. I got the package in time for Christmas." Excitedly she tore the wrap-

plings away. The package was empty except for a small bottle of medicine which her daughter had enclosed.

"Take anything else that I would get, but the little doll that belongs to my granddaughter? Nein, nein!" Mrs. Rickert moaned.

The shock of disappointment was too great.

She was given a sedative. And far away Diane dreamed of Christmas, not knowing that the magic was gone.

In Rome of Cicero's time, lumber was sold by weight.

Proud Idea Seems To Have Backfired

ORANGE — (AP) — Jimmy Conn, Orange businessman, was proud of the Christmas cards he sent. They were jigsaw puzzle greetings which recipients had to put together to read.

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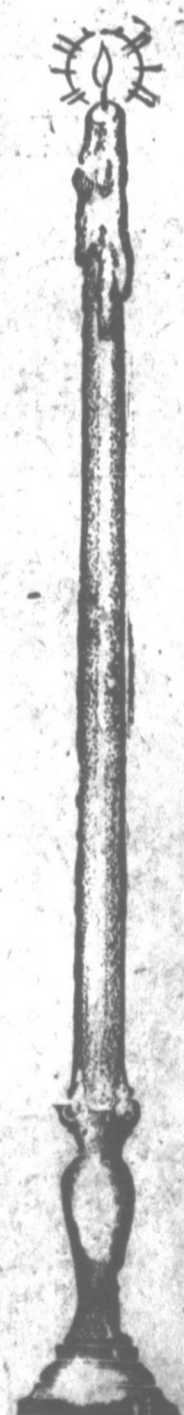
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Thousands Flock to Rome For Year of Special Rites

By FRANK HUTTO
AP Newsfeatures

VATICAN CITY — Opening of the Holy Door in Saint Peter's Basilica Christmas Eve by Pope Pius XII is one of the most colorful of the many ceremonies to be held during the 1950 Holy Years.

At the same time, holy doors in the other patriarchal basilicas of Rome — Saint Mary Major, Saint John Lateran and Saint Paul Outside the Walls — are opened by the Cardinal legates appointed by the Pope.

The four basilicas are the churches Holy Year pilgrims must visit to gain the spiritual benefits of the Jubilee.

At Saint Peter's, the culminating moment of the ceremony will come when in hushed silence Pope Pius strikes with a silver hammer the cross on the Holy Door for the third time and intones in Latin: "Open the gates, because the Lord is with us."

There will be a moment of silence. Then the wall of the Holy Door, previously loosened, will begin to swing slowly open. The bells of Rome's almost 600 churches will ring, announcing the Holy Years.

The ceremony is concluded with a papal benediction and a plenary indulgence — first of the Jubilee — which according to Catholic teaching pardons the temporal punishment due sin which must otherwise be expiated in the soul before it can enter heaven.

The Holy Doors remain open day and night throughout the Jubilee.

Other highlights of the Holy Year calendar include:

Dec. 25 Solemn Christmas pontifical mass at Saint Mary Major, where the Pope celebrates his first mass 50 years ago.

Jan. 6 — Beginning of eight-day period of special spiritual ceremonies in the church of Saint Andrew of the Valley, in various parts of the Holy Land.

Jan. 18 — Beginning of eight-day period of special ceremonies with upon of the church as the special theme.

Jan. 29 — Solemn celebration of the 17th anniversary of the canonization of St. Fabian.

Jan. 25 — Solemn pontifical mass at Saint Peter's Outside the Walls to celebrate the conversion of Saint Paul.

Feb. 2 — Traditional offering of candles presented to the Pope in commemoration of the purification of the Virgin Mary.

Feb. 16 — Anniversary of the death of Pope Pius XI.

Feb. 22 — Ash Wednesday, solemn ceremony opening the Lenten season at the church of Saint Sabina.

March 2 — Celebration of the anniversary of the election of Pope Pius XII to Peter's throne.

March 12 — Celebration of the anniversary of the coronation of Pope Pius XII.

April 9 — Throughout Holy Year, solemn ceremonies will be held in the patriarchal basilicas of Rome. Easter Sunday, April 9, a solemn pontifical mass will be celebrated in Saint Peter's, after which the Pope will bless the crowds from an outside balcony.

During the latter part of April and the first part of May there will be four commemorative ceremonies.

June — Reception and inauguration of Pope Pius of the new pontifical mass at Saint Mary Major, where the Pope celebrates his first mass 50 years ago.

June 8 — Procession of Corpus Domini with the Pope participating.

June 29 and 30 — Commemoration of the apostles Peter and Paul.

During the months of October and November several of the church's great feasts will be celebrated.

Dec. 24 — Christmas eve, closing of the Holy Doors and end of the 1950 Holy Year.

It's Christmas Until February In Ted Richmond's Ozark Hills



WILDERNESS LIBRARY: This cabin atop Mount Sherman, Ark., is Ted Richmond's headquarters. The goats he's shown tending, pigs, chickens, turkeys and vegetables, are his livelihood and finance his voluntary "Wilderness Work."

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Handiwork Solves Gift Problem, Aids in Cures

By DAVID G. BAREUTHER
AP Newsfeatures Writer

"Thousands of patients in hospitals, sanatoria and other institutions throughout the country are busy today making Christmas gifts."

Short of funds in most cases, because of their medical expenses and enforced unemployment, these patients are finding with the guidance of instructors they are able to make gifts by hand that often prove more attractive than mechanically manufactured articles.

They are tooling and stitching leather wallets and purses, fashioning elaborate book covers, hammering silver costume jewelry, knitting and sewing wearing apparel, making toys and molding bricabrac. And they are having a lot of fun in their work.

Doctors look on approvingly. They see this work helping to cure their patients. It raises thoughts and interests above present handicaps. The doctors call it occupational therapy — a healing by working.

In many cases the work goes far beyond mere diversion and recreation. It helps to fit the patient for a new job. Such rehabilitation has long been successful among the blind and in large veterans' hospitals. It is being extended steadily among all types of temporary and permanent invalids.

One of the most interesting extensions has been achieved in the treatment of tuberculosis — a disease that requires long periods of supervised rest. Since com-

They go from bedside to bedside, teaching foreign languages, book binding, lettering and illuminating, encouraging young artists in every field, and even showing men how to knit. In the past year close to 300 ambulatory patients and more than 100 bed patients at Trudeau were instructed in 14 crafts.

The workshop at Trudeau is used for a tryout and exploration of skills and abilities, training in arts and crafts, and in development of work tolerances under medical prescription. The medical staff calls the workshop a necessary instrument in treatment — emotionally, spiritually, creatively, physically and vocationally.

In addition to solving the Christmas gift problem for hard-pressed patients, this workshop contributes to the Adirondack Craftman's Show staged at

Saranac Lake every August. This is a miniature world's fair of hand work turned out by the many sanatoria in that area, including Trudeau, Will Rogers Memorial, Raybrook State Sanatorium, Tupper Lake Veterans' Hospital, and various private institutions and rest homes.

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Happy Holiday Season

May the joys that fill your heart this Christmas remain the coming year.

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Dog Tags Will Be 'Glamorized'

LAS VEGAS, (AP) — Next Year's dog tags in Las Vegas will be in the shape of fire hydrants, for males, and hearts, for females.

Dogcatcher Bill Burke hopes by "glamorizing" the licenses, to triple the year's sale.

Merry, Merry, Merry Christmas

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Before Santa wiggles further down the chimney we want him to wish you for a most Merry Christmas

Season's Greetings

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Two Million Register for Pilgrimage

By FRANK BRUTTO
AP Newsfeatures

VATICAN CITY — Called by Pope Pius XII the "year of the great return and the great pardon," the 1950 Jubilee will bring to Rome the most tremendous pilgrimage in the 2,000-year history of the Catholic Church. It will be the 25th of which there is a definite record.

Rich, middle class and poor pilgrims will come from the six continents of the world. Many, for the first time in Holy Year history, will come by air; more by sea and a good many, imitating their ancient predecessors, will come on foot.

For these last the Pope, reminding pilgrims they should not come in the spirit of "pleasure seeking" tourists, had a special word in his bull of May 26, proclaiming the Holy Year.

Estimates of the number that will come to Rome to gain the spiritual benefits Holy Year offers range as high as 6,000,000. More than 2,000,000 have already registered.

All will be given an opportunity to see the Pope in vast public audiences and to receive his blessing.

Romans, especially under the direction of the "Crusade of Goodness" conducted by the noted Jesuit orator, Father Riccardo Lombardi, are preparing for Holy Year, which begins Christmas

Eve. This day the holy door at Saint Peter's Basilica and simultaneously holy doors at three other Roman basilicas — Saint Mary Major, Saint John Lateran and Saint Paul Outside the Walls — are opened.

The broad outlines of the Holy Year's purpose and aims are mentioned in the Pope's bull, announcing it. "Today, as never before," he said, "there is a most urgent need that all things be refashioned in the truth and power of the gospel."

The Pope — as he has several times in the past — gave a special attention to the Holy Land. "Everywhere," he declared, "but especially in the holy places of Palestine, may the tranquility of order founded on a just settlement be restored as soon as possible."

The Pope's announcement expressed hope that "the various social classes, with hatred banished and differences settled, may be united in justice and fraternal agreement, and that finally the great number of those who want may be given work to earn an honest living and may receive necessary and opportune aid from those who are in better circumstances."

On peace, one of his constant thoughts, the Pope said:

"May peace, the object of our ardent yearnings, return at long last to the hearts of all, the families, to individual countries and to the community of nations."

To all who come to Rome, confess their sins, receive communion, visit the four Holy Year basilicas and recite in them the prescribed prayers, the Pope has promised a plenary indulgence. According to Catholic teaching this is full remission of the temporal punishment due to sin, which otherwise must be expiated before the soul may enter heaven.

This special indulgence may be gained as many times as the prescribed conditions are met and may also be applied to the souls of the faithful departed who may be expiating in the fires of purgatory, according to Catholic teaching, the temporal punishment for their sins.

In the "Crusade of Goodness," whose leader, Father Lombardi, already has spoken to hundreds of thousands in Belgium, France, Austria, Canada and the United States, Romans are preparing themselves spiritually for Holy Year.

The crusade is being broadcast from the Church of Saint Mary Major to the 120 parishes of Rome. A great public procession through Rome, bore a portrait of the Madonna before which Pope Pius celebrated his first mass 50 years ago — April 12, 1899.

The portrait was carried from Saint Mary Major to St. Peter's, where the Pope will again celebrate a thanksgiving mass before it. Later it was carried back to Saint Mary Major. On Christmas Eve the Pontiff will lift an ivory handled silver hammer, strike the Holy Door at Saint Peter's saying: "Open unto me the gates of justice." The door, open only in Holy Years, is bricked up between jubilees.

Previously loosened, the door will then be swung open. After a brief ceremony and prayers, the door will be closed during the year.



SANTA HAD MORE THAN CANDY FOR THESE KIDDOS who were winners in the pet section of the Flight of Santa Claus Parade. Paul Belsenherz, Parade Committee chairman, is shown presenting compact and football to (l. to r.) Marilyn McDaniel, Carole Latus, Janet Bailey, Ledell Smith, Don Hewitt, Jack Miller, E. L. Winborne, and Bobby Conway. The gifts were presented with the compliments of Zale's, McCarley's, Leder's, Pampa Hardware, Thompson Hardware, Sportsman Shop and Addington's Western Store.

FILE THIS AWAY FOR 1950:

Setting Up Yuletide Tree Not Easiest Thing—Here Are Tips

Every Christmas it is the first time for somebody to fall heir to the duties of setting up, wiring and decorating the family Christmas Tree.

So for those who will inherit those duties next year (it's too late to use these directions now) the following suggestions can be clipped, saved and studied for 1950.

A good idea is to start studying around the middle of July. You can practice on Grandma's rosebush. The thorns can be used to simulate short circuits in the wiring.

This rehearsal will train you in holding down your temper and refrain from saying what may prove embarrassing in front of strangers.

Of course before you can decorate a tree, you should first buy one. That usually helps a great deal.

When you have decided on which type you want, pine, fir, spruce or imitation, you proceed to the vendor. Start at a low figure with a new sob story. He'll finally give it to you for half price just so you'll shut up and go home.

The tree is taken home and the kids want to know why you are bringing it instead of Santa Claus. You tell them Santa is in the dog house with Ma Claus and he asked you, as a special favor, to help him out. Don't try to explain the coincidence between his red nose and being in the doghouse.

Christmas Eve, farm out the kids to a baby sitter or put them to sleep. Chloroform speeds up the latter process.

Now the kids are out of the hands still sore from a misguided hammer in tacking the tree fast, you get a strand or so of lights. Get one light in place. Now use the imagination and picture yourself as a merry-go-round. This lends unquestionable aid in walking around the tree to string the little bulbs. Be sure your hands are dry when the plug is fitted into the socket or the kids'll wake up and the bottle of chloroform is almost empty now.

The next step is most delicate. But you'll have lots of help from mother, mother-in-law, wife, and the whole shebang. They always know how to hang the toys, but never do it themselves.

Don't use a wobbly stepladder or a table. Baby's high chair is sufficient if you have small feet. Start at the top and work down. It is about the only way you'll ever start at the top in anything so take advantage of it.

Use extreme caution when getting the toys on the inner parts of the tree. You may get tangled up and the toys make a prettier sight hanging from a limb than you would. Besides they can hang longer.

The next step, after you step down from the highchair, is applying the Radar fooler. (Tinsel to most of you.)

This is the point where everybody wants to join in, especially those who like to throw things. Turn off the tree lights so you won't be blinded causing the tinsel to be hung on the floor.

Now grasp a bunch of the silvery stuff in the right hand. Pray. Heave. Everybody gets ex-

cited and their tinsel goes everywhere. The tree is up, and where but on the tree. Start over. Line them all up, preferably in a semi-circle. Count three, and all throw together. Maybe you'll hit the tree, and maybe you won't. So just pick up the tinsel and try again.

You'll really appreciate that tree when you tear it down and toss it out for the trash man the next week.

Turkey Prices Decline for Yule Dinner

(By The Associated Press)
Turkey prices declined two to six cents a pound in most places this last week before Christmas — and were about 20 cents cheaper than the all-time highs of last Yuletide.

Family-size birds averaged around 87 to 88 cents a pound in many highly competitive chain stores.

Cranberries were mostly unchanged from Thanksgiving time. And holiday menu planners looking for something besides turkey for the main course found hams, pork loin roasts and rib beef roasts costing about the same as a week ago. Prices of many fresh vegetables for the menu side dishes were a little lower.

Nuts for turkey stuffing, fruit cakes, mince pies and the nut bowl were so abundant that the Agriculture Department included them among the most plentiful foods for the pre-Christmas week.

Oranges were being widely featured for holiday fare — with some California varieties as much as 15 cents a dozen cheaper than a year ago.

Retail coffee prices edged slightly higher in some stores. The Dun & Bradstreet Wholesale Food Price Index declined one cent from a week ago to \$5.73 and compared with \$6.23 a year ago. The figure represents the total wholesale cost of a pound each of 31 general use foods.

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A Season to Reflect

Stop for a moment and listen! Dishes clattering, small feet romping—such comforting sounds that you accept ordinary is a good reason for you to be thankful this Season.

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A table filled,
A hearthside gay,
With joy instilled,
And children at play.
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Merry Christmas

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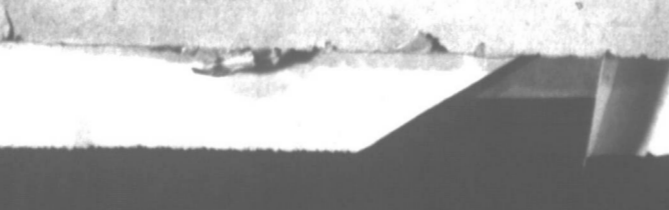
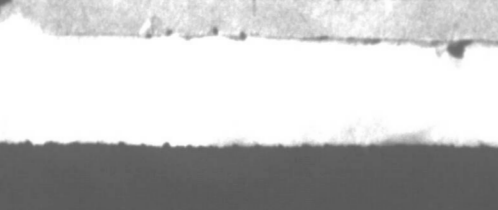
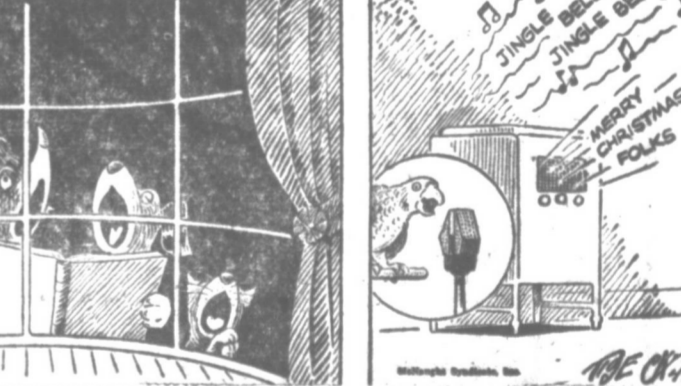
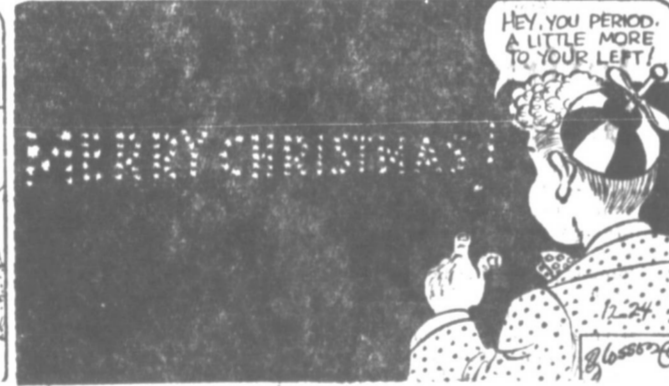
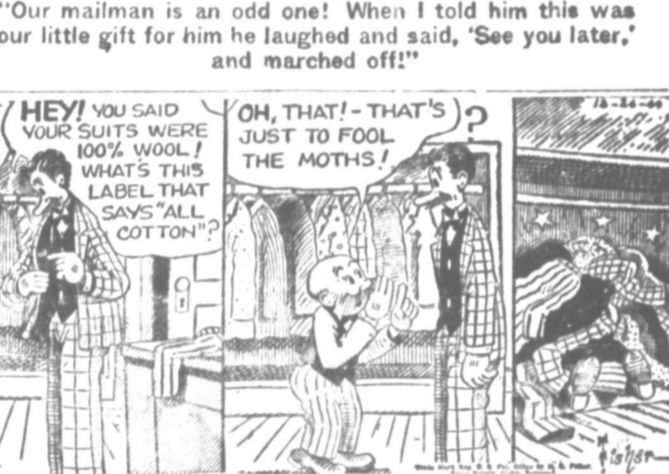
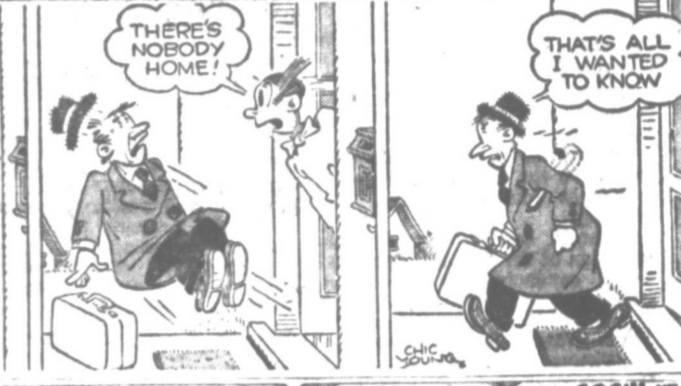
With the realization that each passing year brings a fuller appreciation of old friends and pleasant associations, we extend to you our sincerest wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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CONCRETE AND MATERIAL CO.
620 SOUTH RUSSELL



Merry Christmas To the Vets in the Vets' Hospitals... and to the Fine Red Cross girls who take me out to see you...

Alex Raymond-Warde Greene-John Wayne-Glorie and Leopold Slobodskoy-Louis Sobol... the kindest of all the Kalmuckis...



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THE DRILLER'S LOG

By BUD ANDERSON

In several respects, 1949 has been pretty good for the oil industry in the Texas Panhandle. Of course, the year hasn't been a proverbial bed of roses but there are any number of additions, improvements and general developments that have been good for the area.

In the first place the Panhandle has three wells producing in wildcat territory that hadn't been completed in 1948.

Sinclair brought in its No. 1 and 2 Lips in Roberts County that prove at least there is production of some sort in the Anadarko Basin. Too, Phillips has a proved production in Sherman County in its Willcox No. 1.

These completions prove one thing. Oil is where it has been found and there is stronger possibility there will be more.

At least the oil companies seem to think there will be more since plans are underway to stake more locations.

Sinclair has plans to stake another test in Roberts County and Gulf is coming south of their Porter to stake a location. This may be located in northern Roberts County or southern Ochiltree.

Then, of course, the Texas Co. finally came through and staked their No. 1 McGarrough near the Roberts County line in Ochiltree County.

To date, there have been nine wells plugged — that I have record of — in the basin. This includes the Huber No. 1 Pasoureck and Phillips' No. 1 Kathryn that have been abandoned but not plugged.

There are also five rigs running in that area and three completions with production.

This is better than the usual 15 percent successful completions granted the wildcatter.

Of course, the outcome of the rigs running at present could change the nature of the odds.

In addition to the wildcats, the Panhandle has seen completion of the Cities Service gas line which was a nice shot in the arm for the country.

And a new pipeline, the Michigan-Wisconsin, was completed to provide a means of transmission for a great amount of gas in Sherman and Moore counties.

These things mean a lot to the Panhandle.

Then the Watkins repressuring project reaches the final stages just this month.

This program will benefit the Panhandle an untold amount in increased production and in longevity.

There are some of the more important matters that have developed during the year. Others are all around us while some will not completely develop, perhaps until next year. Just the same they are present and give promise of a better life for the area.

The outstanding oil event of 1949 according to Railroad Commissioner Ernest O. Thompson is development of the high Securry County pool.

He said the reported 20 percent recovery of oil in place in the pool was very conservative and declared an increase in the percentage of recovery should be possible. The large pool now covers 40 to 45 thousand acres, with the north and south ends still open.

The Associated Press reported Thompson as adding: "With imports reported on the increase and our oil exports on the decline, the prospects for 1950 do not look very bright for the oil producer."

"Drilling of 2,635 wildcat exploratory wells this year led to 484 new oil discoveries and 95 new gas discoveries, with a resultant 2,074 dry holes," he said.

"Texas now has 116,600 producing oil wells which pour out about 2 million barrels of oil daily. These wells could produce an additional million barrels every day of 1950, without harm to the wells, if needed."

Carthage Pipeline Nears Completion

NEW YORK — (AP) — Texas Gas Transmission Corp., last week announced virtual completion of its 800-mile natural gas pipeline from Carthage, Texas, to Middletown, Ohio, in less than eight months.

The company said a few clean-up operations remained to be completed at the Middletown end but that the first deliveries of natural gas to the Louisville Gas and Electric Co., would begin within a week.

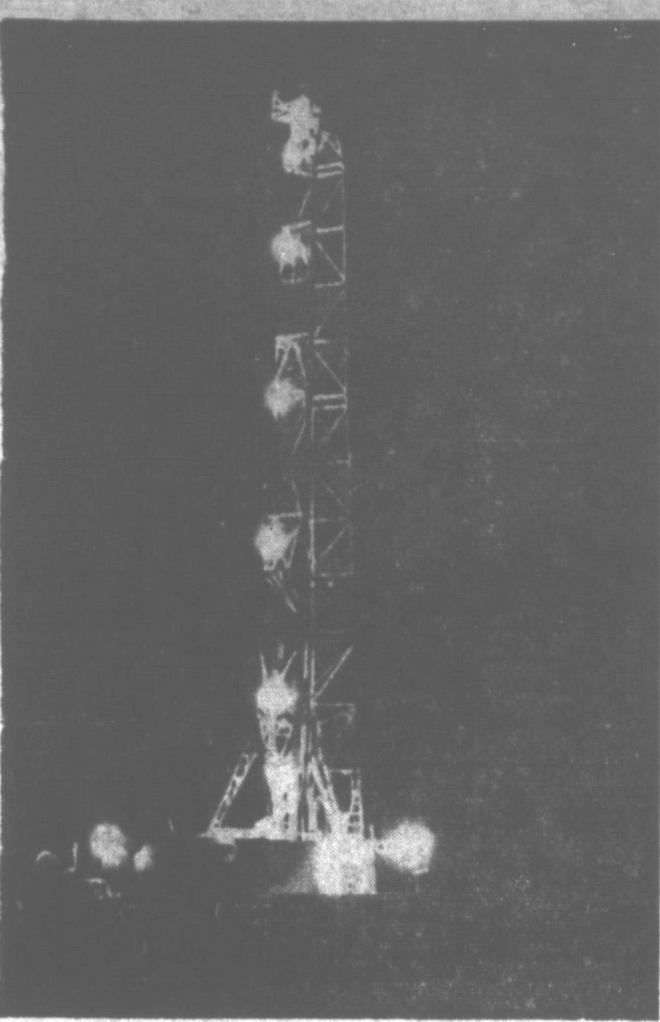
The new line, built at an approximate cost of \$73,000,000, will carry additional supplies of natural gas to utility customers in Tennessee, Kentucky, Illinois, Mississippi, Louisiana and Arkansas.

Stanolind Makes Personal Changes

TULSA — (AP) — The Stanolind Oil and Gas Co. announces several personnel changes.

J. G. Bartram becomes consulting geologist; Charles T. Jones takes Bartram's place as head of the exploration department; J. E. Swearingen succeeds Jones as central division manager with office at Oklahoma City.

Dr. Donald G. Sink is new superintendent of the chemical products department and Lawrence L. Smith becomes chief of the company's chemical plant at Brownsville, Texas.



CHRISTMAS IN THE FIELD—A lighted derrick, as is easily seen, bears a strong resemblance to the Christmas trees lighted in homes all over the country this season. Although a derrick is a common sight in the Panhandle and its significance is unquestioned, this lighted derrick is particularly significant this time of the year since it actually does carry the Christmas spirit to the field.

U.S. Oil Consumption Nears Record Peak Set Last Year

NEW YORK — Total consumption of oil in the U. S. including exports, in 1949 is almost up to the 1948 peak level of demand, according to the American Petroleum Institute.

Daily average demand for oil, including exports, has been 6,105,000 barrels this year compared with 6,129,000 barrels in 1948, the institute added.

The slight decline in consumption has been due to unseasonably warm weather in the first months of October and November of 1949, it was reported.

The API said, "Weather has become an extremely important factor to the oil industry, since more oil is now consumed in the fall and winter than in spring and summer. Formerly, the oil industry's major market was the demand for gasoline during the spring and summer motoring season."

The oil industry expected demand for oil this year to top last year's record — basing their expectations on a record number of oil burners installed across the nation — 4,450,000 units.

But the warmer weather was mainly responsible for the slight decline in total petroleum demand experienced during the year.

The industry spent more than \$2 billion in new capital expenditures this year adding to its producing, refining, marketing and transportation facilities, the API stated.

These expenditures over the past three years total \$6,400 million and bring the gross capitalization of the oil industry to well over \$23 billion, it was stated.

Exploratory drilling this year will set a new peak, the API said. There were 9 percent more wildcats drilled this year than last.

"While final results of exploratory drilling are not yet available, there is ample evidence that further substantial additions were made to proved underground reserves. In 1948, the industry found 4,200 million barrels of petroleum liquid reserves and closed the year with a proved underground inventory of nearly 27 billion barrels after producing over two billion barrels," it was stated.

Preliminary figures for 1949 put production of natural gas at 7,800 billion cubic feet, or an increase of 406 percent in the past 25 years, it was reported.

On Dec. 31, 1949, the nation's refining capacity will be about 6,960,000 barrels daily. Crude oil processed by these refineries this year averaged about 5,310,000 barrels a day compared with 5,095,000 barrels daily in 1948, the institute said.

Wildcat Reports

WILDCAT REPORTS

Childress County
Stanolind No. 1 Steve Owens, Sec. 81, Blk. 1, SPR, drilling below 5,387 feet in granite wash and shale. Drillstem test taken from 4,573 to 4,648 feet recovered 4,100 feet of salt water in one hour.

Hansford County
Phillips No. 1 Dix, Sec. 4, Blk. 3, GH&H, tight hole drilling below 4,272 feet.

Lipscomb County
Gulf No. 1 Porter, Sec. 13, Blk. 15, T&NO, dry and abandoned with plugged back depth at 8,200 feet.

Gulf No. 1 Wamble, J. J. Balentine Survey, drilling in sand below 10,946 feet.

Texasco No. 1 McGarrough, Sec. 131, Blk. 13, T&NO, location staked, waiting on rotary.

Randall County
Slessman No. 1 George Nance, Sec. 138, Blk. 6, I&GN, operators trying to regain circulation lost at 5,894 feet. Sinclair Oil Co., considering supporting the test.

Roberts County
Sinclair No. 3-C Lips, Sec. 133, Blk. C, G&M, drilling below 10,173 feet.

Sinclair No. 4 Lips, Sec. 159, Blk. 15, T&NO, operators cementing lost circulation zone at 7,294 feet.

Panhandle activity rose slightly last week as operators completed ten new oil wells and one gas well for a total increased potential of 773 barrels of oil and 625 MCF of gas. Average production of oil wells was 77.3 barrels per well.

This compares to seven oil and one gas well completed the week ended Dec. 17 for 343 barrels increased potential and per-well average of 49.

New starts fell from 28 recorded through Dec 17 to nine last week.

NEW OIL COMPLETIONS

Carson County
Texaco Garner "B" NCT-2 No. 9, 1065 feet from W and 999 feet from N lines Sec. 93, Blk. 4, I&GN, tested 75 bbls. with pay from 2,950 to 3,055 feet.

Texaco Garner "D" NCT-1, No. 5, 990 feet from N and 330 feet from W lines Sec. 103, Blk. 4, I&GN, tested 99 bbls. with pay from 2,992 to 3,175 feet.

Herrmann Bros. Vida, Lewis No. 7, 330 feet from E and 990 feet from N lines Sec. 115, Blk. 4, I&GN, tested 70 bbls with pay from 3,014 to 3,022 feet.

Gray County
Kewanee A&B "B" No. 6, 330 feet from N and 990 feet from

OIL REPORTS

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British Cut Brings Headaches for U.S.

By SAM DAWSON

NEW YORK — (AP) — This time oil is troubling the waters. Peace and goodwill are about the last things you'll hear today wherever American and British oilmen gather. The cost of your heating bills, the price of your gasoline may be affected.

The British, followed by India and Australia, have cut the American oil companies off at the pocket. The squabble is at its loudest today in Washington, where American and British officials are meeting.

The loss of earnings, and of future world markets is the immediate headache for American companies in the series of sterling area orders which stop the purchase of all fuel oil and some gasoline sold by Americans for dollars, in India the order goes further and is said to stop purchase of even sterling-priced oil if produced by American controlled companies.

The British reason, of course, are: The need to save scarce dollars for other things, and their rapidly growing ability to supply themselves with sterling oil.

But there are other effects in the offing, including:

If American companies find unmanageable surpluses of oil from their foreign fields on their hands, what are they to do with it? Start a price war with the British in other world markets? Increase the pressure here at home on foreign imports, at a time when U. S. home production is being cut back because supply is expanding and the U. S. crude oil price structure is shaky? A price break here, oilmen say, could hit hard at small oil producers and refiners, however much it might be welcomed by the consumer oil producer.

The world oil market between the American and British companies can easily spill over into the halls of Congress, oilmen here predict.

Oilmen note that 17 million of Marshall Plan dollars have gone into two British refineries. The ECA says Britain is putting about \$100 million a year of her own saved dollars into expanding her refineries.

The charge that American dollars are being voted to build up foreign oil companies at the expense of American seems certain to be aired when ECA goes to Congress for another \$3.1 billion appropriation next month.

The Point Four program, also due to come up next month, seeks to induce American private capital to invest abroad. That is just what the American oil companies have been doing. Their argument is that if American companies are to be discriminated against abroad, American capital cannot be induced to flow abroad under the Point Four plan.

What is the American loss so far? First, they lost their entire Argentine market when Britain moved in and bartered British oil for Argentine meat.

The Indian order will be an American sales day of about 3,000 barrels a day in fuel oil. In Britain perhaps 75,000 barrels a day of oil and gasoline, or about half of American sales there, will be cut off. For the sterling area as a whole, American sales probably run around 175,000 barrels a day.

And the oil producers in the southwest are worried about the chances of holding the crude oil price in the coming year. Cutbacks in production have followed the mid winter which keeps oil consumption low. The slim margin between the high crude oil price and the price of oil products is already worrying many small refiners.

Total Running Rigs Reflects Year-End Drop

Reflecting the usual year-end reduction in activity, rotary rig operations in oil fields of the U. S. and Canada during the year, showed a net decline of 32 units from year's peak of 2,284 units operating during the previous week.

The total of 2,282 active rigs reported by the American Association of Oilwell Drilling Contractors compares with 2,239 rigs operating a month ago and with 2,423 active units for the comparable week in 1948.

Activity was off in all but two of the seven areas, Arkansas-Louisiana-Texas, with 180 rigs operating, was up one; West Texas and New Mexico, was unchanged at 709 units. In the other areas, Oklahoma-Kansas, with 397, and Illinois, with 141, were each off nine; Gulf Coast, with 531, was down eight; Rocky Mountain and Canada, with 188, was down five; Pacific Coast, with 148, was down two.

Activity Up In Oklahoma After Lapse

TULSA — (AP) — Oklahoma oil field activity — with new drilling budgets in sight — snapped out of a year-end lag last week.

Reports compiled by the Tulsa World set completions at 101, substantially above the previous week, with 63 oilers, three gasers and 35 dry holes.

The statistics: Daily average oil output, 4,479 barrels; gas, 4,225,000 cubic feet daily; with 304,400 feet drilled.

New locations boomed. There were 124 starts in 27 counties compared to 104 in 26. Hughes County interest was high with 16 tests staked out.

Outstanding oilers of the week were two big wells in the Velma pool of Stephens County.

Jeffries Co. Gives Awards

Seventeen drivers for C. M. Jeffries Trucking Co. were given money awards and five awarded safe-driving medals at the quarterly safety meeting held by the company Wednesday.

Clyde Van Sickle was a five-year award winner and Bud Marry, Owen Brooks and James Alexander were one-year safe driver award winners.

Seventeen drivers shared a \$300 pot for driving without accident for a three months period.

A dinner was given in connection with the program.

The Aurora Borealis is a display of light in the high levels of the earth's atmosphere, associated with high sunspot activity and world-wide magnetic-electric storms.

Harold Decker Named Head of Oil Company

HOUSTON — (AP) — Harold Decker, vice president of the Pan American Production Co., has been named president of Houston Oil Co. and Houston Pipe Line Co.

He succeeds the late George A. Hill, Jr., who died last month.

Decker is to assume his duties with the two companies Jan. 1. At present he also is vice president and general manager of Pan American Gas Co.

Announcement of Decker's selection was made by R. R. Hobson, executive vice president and director of Houston Oil and Houston Pipe Line. He said directors of the companies approved the selection Monday at a meeting in St. Louis.

Panhandle Production Rises Slightly As Operators Stake Nine, Final Ten

John Turner J. E. Pritchard No. 2, 330 feet from S and 990 feet from W lines Sec. 1, Blk. E&S&E, tested 80 bbls with pay from 2,725 to 2,800 feet.

Moore County
Service Drilling Co. W. L. Russell No. 2, 330 feet from W and 990 feet from S lines Sec. 5, Blk. M-16, AB&M, tested 75 bbls. with pay from 3,237 to 3,285 feet.

NEW GAS COMPLETION

Hutchinson County
Henderson Trust Co. Merchant "B" No. 4, Sec. 33, Blk. 47, H&T, tested 625 MCF.

NEW LOCATIONS

Carson County
Texaco Garner "D" No. 6, 330 feet from S and E lines of NE-4 Sec. 103, Blk. 4, I&GN.

Kewanee Vida No. 4, 990 feet from N and 330 feet from E lines SE-4 Sec. 115, Blk. 4, I&GN.

Gray County
Sinclair P. A. Coomly No. 14, 330 feet from N and E lines Sec. 57, Blk. 3, I&GN.

Texaco McLarty Lester "B" No. 9, 230 feet from N and W lines, J. M. Ross Survey, five miles E Lefors.

Import Opponents Prepare For Congressional Battle

By MAX SKELTON

HOUSTON — (AP) — Foreign oil imports opponents are making last-minute checks of their 1950 campaign strategy. Chances are the campaign will be rolled out with little delay once Congress opens for business next month.

The strategists received one encouraging prediction last week.

Said Senator Lyndon B. Johnson (D-Texas): "Legislation to limit the importation of oil must and will be enacted at the next session of Congress."

Reports from Great Britain and India added fuel to the drive.

Britain's Ministry of Fuel announced intentions to cut imports of American oil by about \$30,000,000 to \$60,000,000 in 1950.

Oil that would be affected primarily is produced by American owned companies with large production holdings outside the United States.

The order was said to involve halting private American fuel oil imports and cutting gasoline imports by one-third.

India was reported to be ready to take similar action.

Just how these decisions will affect the American market and domestic production remains to be seen. Immediate reaction, however, among import opponents was that more foreign oil would become available for shipment to the United States.

Johnson warned that unless Congress places a limitation on imports "the oilman has seen his most prosperous days."

Ernest O. Thompson, member of the Texas Railroad Commission, an oil and gas regulatory body, pictures a gloomy picture for the oil industry next year.

"With imports reported on the increase and our oil exports on the decline," he said, "the prospects for 1950 do not look very bright for the oil producer."

He said Texas now has 116,000 oil wells capable of producing a total of about 3,000,000 barrels daily without waste but actually producing only about 2,000,000.

The American Petroleum Institute's estimates on 1949 industry operation show a decline in United States oil exports and an even sharper increase in imports.

Exports for 1949 are estimated at 325,000 barrels daily, compared to 345,000 last year and 450,000 in 1947.

Imports are figured at a 1949 daily average of 638,000, compared to 515,000 last year and 438,000 two years ago.

The Independent Petroleum As-

sociation of America estimates 1949 imports at 678,000 and predicts an 845,000 barrel daily average early in 1950.

Countries which formerly depended on the United States for large petroleum supplies gradually are increasing their own production.

In Canada last week the Alberta Petroleum Conservation Board said its oil fields the first 10 months of the year almost doubled its production over the same period last year.

The province turned out a daily average of 65,022 barrels in October. This is not much when compared to such states as Texas, Oklahoma or California but the upward trend cannot be ignored when United States exports are considered.

Thompson of the Texas commission also called attention to United States oil wells as a disadvantage when placed in production competition with wells in South America and the Middle East.

He said Texas' wells turn out an average of 18 barrels daily. For the 439,937 wells in the United States, he said, the average is 12.8 barrels.

These figures are pretty small, he added, when placed against the 8000 to 15,000 barrel daily output for individual wells in the two foreign areas.

The domestic supply-demand picture brightened a bit last week as winter finally began to make noticeable demands for heating oils.

United States production increased 20,880 barrels to a 5,000,150 daily average. Refineries increased their crude oil runs 125,000 to a daily average of 5,389,000 barrels.

At the same time stocks of three of the four major refined products recorded a marked decline.

Kerosene dropped to 22,287,000 barrels, compared to the previous week, while light fuel oil stocks totaled 82,450,000 compared to 85,926,000. Heavy fuel oil stood at 62,678,000 compared to 64,476,000.

The exception was gasoline,

U.S. Reserves Less Than Half Foreign Totals

TULSA — (AP) — Proven petroleum reserves outside of the United States are about double those of this country, the Oil and Gas Journal said last week.

The industry periodical estimated the oil potential abroad, in Canada and Mexico at nearly 83 billion barrels.

While foreign crude production increased 10 percent this year over 1948, United States output dropped 9 percent, the Journal pointed out.



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By Jo Fischer

Isn't it lovely? I was going to give it to my girl friend for Christmas, but I liked it so much I fought with her instead.

Mobeetie

MOBEETIE (Special) — Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Brewer and Mrs. Doyle Grimes attended the funeral of Mrs. Brewer's brother-in-law, at Ardmore, Okla., last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Johnson and children visited relatives at Stratford the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Taylor and children are spending the Christmas with relatives in Los Angeles, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Carmichael and son were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Hardin at Clinton, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Patterson and sons of Higgins visited in the W. Godwin home Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Leonard of Amarillo are the parents of a girl born Dec. 14. The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Leonard of Mobeetie.

Traffic congestion has reduced real estate values in some downtown areas of American cities.



To all — A Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

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McLean

McLEAN (Special) — Mrs. Joe Burghart of Wheelock, Okla., visited friends and relatives in McLean over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Bailey of San Mateo, Calif., are the parents of a boy, born Dec. 18. He has been named George Allen Bailey, for his deceased grandfather, George Armstrong.

Mrs. Bonnie Swanson and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Devine visited Saturday with Mrs. Nida Rippey Green.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Kohls were weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. K. S. Tippy and Mrs. Nida Rippey Green.

Mr. and Mrs. K. S. Rippey visited Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Langford of Tulsa last Tuesday and Wednesday.

Walter Carr, who is ill in a Dallas hospital, is reported improving.

Mrs. E. S. Stanfield left Monday to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rippey and daughter, Patty Ruth, in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Slaughter visited Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wagner and Marcia and Gladys Slaughter in Shamrock.

Mr. and Mrs. George Terry and daughter, Ann, were in Amarillo Monday and visited that evening with Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hayter of Letors.

Mrs. Floyd Riley and daughter, Janice, of Ontario, Calif., left Sunday after a two-week visit with Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Watson, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Smith were in Pampa Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Burrows and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Robertson were in Clarendon Tuesday of last week.

Dick Grigsby and Johnny Hutchinson were in Amarillo Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Petty and grandson, Vernon Luther Kennedy, and Rust Turner attended the monthly workers conference of the North Fork Baptist Association at the Samnwood Baptist Church Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodie Hingman of Eugene, Ore., visited last week with the Hindman and Graham families.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Christie of Pampa visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Baker and Mrs. E. M. Christie.

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Webb have returned home from a visit to Rogers, Ark., and Eastern Oklahoma.

I Love My Doctor
By Evelyn Barkins

THE STORY: After our engagement, John and I decide to look for a place for John to open his office as a doctor. We want four rooms to accommodate both home and office and the location must be desirable. Mother has just given me a tip on a location recently vacated by a doctor and we are going to see it tomorrow. Today we are going to a farewell party at the hospital where John is finishing up as intern.



IT was a moment or two before anyone became aware of our presence. Bob Abbott, John's best friend, was playing ping-pong with what looked like a brand new girl in the corner. Bob was the Bestu Geste of the medical tribe. He dressed like a Fifth Avenue dummy, behaved as much like a Casanova sultan building up a sore as society allows, and seemed to think that he was What Every Young Girl Should Know. Karl Holzman, and his wife Trudy, a pretty Austrian girl, were dancing in the center of the room, while about five other couples were floating around.

"Hi," said Bob, dropping his racket. "Look who's here! Everybody else pounced on us too. Janet Grayson began to pound 'Here Comes the Bride' on the piano, but was almost completely drowned out by their noisy greetings.

Gert Shaw, Alec's wife, imported two years before from the wilds of Montana, came forward next. "Blankety blank," she began, and we all roared expectantly. Gert's profanity, which slipped so effortlessly and naturally into her everyday speech, had long since passed the shocking stage, and became, instead, a hospital landmark. Her words were all uttered with the casual detachment of a radio announcer rendering the baseball scores, followed by a forecast of the weather.

"Bring on the gifts," said Hilda Emmett, and I knew immediately that with her usual officiousness, Hilda had put herself in a sore charge of selecting, wrapping, and producing the presents. She was born to collect dimes on street corners for worthy causes, to organize polite assistance for expectant catastrophes.

There was a pop-up toaster for us, a cocktail shaker with six glasses, and two guest towels.

"Oh, you shouldn't have," I said, knowing that he had spent their entire last month's pay, "but I'm glad you did."

By now, the party was in top swing, with the radio going full force and everyone dancing with everyone else. Suddenly, we all stopped moving, as if arrested by the night supervisor of nurses, who came and stood in the doorway with a plea for less noise.

"It's carrying a little into the wards, upstairs," she explained. "We're terribly sorry," we apologized immediately, and offered her a quick drink before going back on duty.

"You take one too," Bob said to me, as she left, but John, who had come up to where we were standing, answered for me: "She doesn't like it, Bob, and I'm getting tired of drinking the ones everybody forces on her."

My dislike for alcoholic beverages had often been a major social sin during my adolescent years. Not that I am against liquor as such. I would certainly never demonstrate against the Demon Rum, or write my Congressman about it either. If everyone else wanted to go on a 10 day binge without bothering me, I would never complain—even if I do privately think that inebriation is a pitifully foolish state, and smells bad. It is unfortunate, however, that as far as I am concerned, the stuff tastes like a mixture of floor shellac, castor oil, camphor balls, and medicated cough drops.

But so great is the tolerance of the drinker for the root beer fan, that for years I would order drinks upon request, and leave them wastefully behind, purely as a

gesture of self-defense. Now, as John spoke, I sensed a new liberation. "You do as you please," he went on, turning to me, "and ignore the remarks. Come on, darling, we'll get you a good ginger ale before you die of thirst."

AS we approached the refreshment table, I suddenly remembered that we hadn't told anyone of our new housing lead. "That's a pretty good neighborhood," Janet Grayson said, after I made our announcement. She and Hank would be needing a place of their own in another few months, and it was obvious that she had already been brushing up on locations.

"I hope you get it," Bob said sincerely, "and if there's anything I can do, just let me know." Alec and Gert Shaw promised to come over and answer the telephone for us when we wanted to go to a movie.

"That's right," Janet said, "you need a baby sitter for a doctor's telephone. You'll find yourself rather tied down." John laughed. "Who'll call?" he asked. "I don't even have an office yet, or a patient, either."

THE next morning, of course, we overslept, but soon after we did awaken we were heading for Longview Road. As we neared our destination, I could see that we were in a mid-dling part of town. Not that King Midas had any relatives there, but a careful appraisal assured me that this wasn't Tobacco Road, either. The apartment houses on either side, were high and well kept, and the children crowding the streets were noisy and messy, but not in rags. No. 42, the house on the corner, was only one block and a half from the subway station, and a cross-town bus stopped at the far east side. With quick sighs of relief, we both checked off "location" and stopped still in front of the building.

We both noticed the black and white sign, in the street entrance of the ground floor apartment, which said: "Four room apartment for rent; Inquire Superintendent in rear." John obediently set off for the rear, while I waited impatiently in front. Restlessly, I tried the street door, and to my surprise, it opened.

"Newlyweds?" she asked, more as if stating a fact. I grinned back at her. "Doesn't it show like a rash, Mrs. —" "Lang," the superintendent's wife replied. She was a heavy-set woman, but with a surprisingly young-looking face, and kind bright, blue eyes. As we stood laughing at each other, I felt that I had made a new friend.

"Oh yes," she said merrily, "when you're married over 20 years like me, you can always spot it when it's bird new." "A whole month," I told her "next week." "Tell you what," Freda said when she heard how we had looked and looked for a place to live, "this is a good apartment for a doctor. Feller here before Dr. Trent, do you know him? We shook our heads, no. "Well, anyway, he did fine here. Had to move just because they were having twins. They were newlyweds also when they moved in, but a lot older than you two." We opened closets and looked in cabinets and even Freda joined in the fun of planning the layout.

Suddenly I stopped short. "For Heaven's sake," I remembered. My mother said not to seem over-anxious or they'd peg me the highest price. We spilled the beans! John laughed. "Two big financiers," he said, "that's us." (To Be Continued.)

Old Christmas Trees It is disconcerting to see an old Christmas tree which has been dumped in the backyard. A few minutes work with a sharp hatchet can convert the tree to a neat bundle of kindling for winter hearth fires. Or the tree can be set into the ground outdoors as a winter shelter, and feeding center for birds. Birds will enjoy bits of suet, raisins and bread crusts attached to the branches.

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Tips Given Local Bakers

The answer to infestation in flour handling equipment is regular and complete cleaning. R. M. Munday, Gray County sanitarian, said.

Advising county bakers to keep equipment clean for the sake of health, Munday gave certain principles that should be watched in flour handling equipment. "The equipment should have smooth, unbroken surfaces, both inside and out," he said. "Also a fine screen sifter should be used to eliminate infestation or other foreign matter."

Special features to observe in purchasing equipment include dump bins, flour elevators, conveyors and storage bins. He added flour elevators should be constructed to the contents of the base can be removed during cleaning with a minimum loss of flour.

Elevator legs should be accessible to the top. Storage bins should also have sufficiently large inside parts to permit convenient inside cleaning, he continued.

"The vacuum cleaner, commonly used in cleaning flour handling equipment, should be supplemented with compressed air hose for points hard to reach by suction," he concluded.

Darrouzett

DARROUZETT (Special) — The Rev. and Mrs. Evan Brian and son were given a farewell shower at the Methodist Church Sunday.

Brian has accepted the pastorate of the Acme Circuit Methodist Church. He and his family left Darrouzett last week.

Mrs. E. M. Sherrieb of Friona, mother of H. W. Sherrieb, railroad agent here, was taken to the Hereford Hospital last Monday.

Mrs. Fern Lister and daughter, Jackie Sue, have recently moved from Darrouzett to their former home in San Jose, Calif.

Student Pastor to Conduct Services

McLEAN (Special) — The Rev. Herman L. Petty, son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Petty, a student in Southwestern Theological Seminary of Fort Worth, will occupy the pulpit at the First Baptist Church this morning and evening.

Rev. Petty, accompanied by his wife and small son, David, arrived in McLean this week to spend the holidays with relatives.

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CURTAINS and lace table cloths done on stretchers. Also ironing. 317 N. Davis. Phone 1441J.

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 Help. 50¢. Soft-water. Delivers. Pick-up delivery wet wash, rough dry.
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 5 piece chrome dinette suites with plastic top in red, only \$59.50.
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 4 cu. ft. 1 year warranty.
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 All in good condition.
 One good used Magic Chef gas range.
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 Sales, Service, Work Guaranteed.
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 Has a nice line of rubber goods. You'll be needing rubber boots, slickers, and overalls. We carry rubber hose of excellent quality at all times.
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 First in performance. In preference. **MASSEY-HARRIS**
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 We have a few cars of Purina. 20% Cubes for balance of this month \$62.40 per ton on car. 43% C. S. cake balance of this month \$72.00 per ton. Bulk corn \$2.75 per cwt. extra heavy oats \$2.95 per cwt. Choice alfalfa hay \$1.15 per bale. These prices will not last long.
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 Gray County Feed and Hatchery
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WANTED 3 bedroom home by Jan. 15th. Permanent employee who will be associated with Bert A. Howell Refrigeration Co. Call 152.

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FOR RENT clean sleeping room and bachelor quarters. Bus, reasonable. Phone 3143

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MODERN duplex for rent, 3 on one side, 2 other, both furnished. 700 W. Foster. Phone 8549.

SEMI-MODERN 2 room furnished home for rent. Reasonable rent. No objection to children. 816 S. Barn 01, Leora Road.

101—Business Properties
GOOD income property roofing house 14 rooms with apartments in rear. Fully furnished. Terms. 527 S. Cuyler.

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 Homes, Farms, Ranches and Income Property.
 Good wheat land. Good terms.
 2000 acres to lease for oil in Gray County.
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 We join in extending best wishes to all our friends a season of joy, health and prosperity.

Mrs. Gertie Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Arnold and Rickey Fay and Tommie of Arnold Real Estate.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL
Thanks for the business you have given me.

IF YOU WANT TO BUY, SELL OR TRADE ---
 See me or Call 1443. I have some nice resident lots and business lots and 5 acre tracts with rentals. I have one of the best money makers in town, nets from \$750 to \$1000 per month in the 100 block on North Cuyler, long lease.
 Nice homes, ranches, farms and stock farms—and again I say thank you.

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GREETINGS
 Satisfactory business relations rest upon past performance. It has been our aim during the year to justify your confidence in us and to merit your continued friendship. Accept our hearty thanks for the pleasant associations of the past year, and our best wishes for a ---

Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous 1950

WHITE DEER REALTY BEN GULL

STEPHENSON FURNITURE
 Store wishes all of their friends and customers a very ---

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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 3 ROOM modern unfurnished house for rent. 703 East Denver. Ph. 3524W

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110—City Property
C. A. JETER, Real Estate
 913 Barnard Phone 4199

2 bedroom, small down payment.
 2 bedroom, corner lot \$500 total.
 2 bedroom, new east part of town \$150.

2 bedroom Hughes-Pitts Add. Small down payment. Don't miss this Xmas. Lots, Lots—cheap. Get your property today.
 Your Listings Appreciated.
 The buying begins in the home—Classified Ads get into hundreds of homes.

"SWEET AND LOVELY"
 The man who wrote that tune must have been thinking of our cars—it fits them to a "T."

1948 Dodge Club Coupe.
 1947 Ford Club Coupe.
 1949 Chevrolet Fleetline 4 door Delux.
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 1946 Ford 2 door.
 2—1949 Cadillac "62" 4 door, one light green, the other black.
 1939 Plymouth 2 door.
 1949 Chevrolet Styleline 2 door delux.

ALSO OLDER CARS

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110—City Property (cont.)
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Down-town business. Income \$1000 and invoice stock.
 4 room, modern. South Barnes \$4000.
 4 room duplex in Leora \$1000.
 Income property close in. Lovely bedroom, graser. Ad. \$12,500.
 4 room Tally Add. \$1850.
 4 room, garage and storm cellar, east side \$2750.
 4 room modern, Tally Add. garage, storm cellar, \$1000 down.
 2 bedroom, large fenced in back yard east side \$8750.
 5 room modern, well located \$5500.
 Nice 7 room duplex east side, one side furnished \$6400.
 Apartment house close in \$7500.
 3 room modern furnished, \$550 down.
 6 room duplex in Leora \$1000. Income monthly \$1250, good terms.
 3 bedroom home, garage, fenced in back yard \$1000 down.
 4 room modern, Tally Add. \$3400.
 Two 2 room modern with garage. N. Side \$1700.
 3 bedroom home N. Faulkner, priced for quick sale.
 Good suburban grocery store well located, good buy.
 Nice 6-8 room duplex close in.
 2 and 3 bedroom homes on hill. YOUR LISTINGS, APPRECIATED.

For sale or rent the Pampa Motor Freight warehouse.
 300 or trade extra good 9 room house \$4500.
 Good 4 room furnished on S. Barnes the best buy in town.
 New 3 bedroom brick near high school. 2 bedroom N. Dwight \$1000.
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 Good small ranch northeastern New Mexico. See us for FHA and GI loans.
 We wish every one a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.
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FOR SALE 3 bedroom house, 608 N. Leora. Modern kitchen, built-in bar and laundry. Built-on garage.
 A very Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year --- from
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Small property, nice, clean up to date. 2 bedroom, well located, doing good business. \$3500 for fixtures, invoice \$4000.
 4 bedroom home, nearly new, West part of town, completely furnished.
 2 lovely 5 room homes N. part of town. One furnished on Williston \$12,000. Another on Christie for \$14,000.
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5 room home on Terrace \$8750.
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 TO SUIT
OUR BUYERS

1947 Buick 2 tone green, 4 door, R&H \$1495
 1947 Buick, light blue, 4 door sedan, R&H \$1495
 1947 Oldsmobile 2-tone paint, white side wall tires, R&H \$1495
 1946 Buick, beautiful blue color, white side wall tires, '48 motor, low mileage, R&H \$1395

Here is a car that won't be on the lot but a short time. It is a 1949 Mercury—looks and drives like a new one. R&H, white side wall tires, overdrive and sun visor.

The above cars had only one owner.

1947 Chevrolet Fleetline, black finish, white side wall tires, new seat covers, R&H \$1325
 1941 Buick 4 door, 2-tone paint, R&H \$745
 1936 Ford Coupe, good motor and tires, R&H \$175
 1938 Chevrolet 2 door, good motor, good tires, anti-freeze \$200
 1937 Chevrolet 4 door, the best in Gray County ... \$195
 1940 Chevrolet pickup, 4 speed transmission, R&H, price only \$450
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Bargains in Good Used Cars

1950 Deluxe Ford 2 door, heater.
 1949 Dodge Cornet 4 door, loaded.
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 Two 1948 Aero Chevrolets, cleanest cars in town.
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 Two 1940 Model 2 doors, Chevrolets.
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Nursery Stock Is Now Ready
 TO PLANT
 QUALITY SERVICE — LOW PRICES
BRUCE NURSERY
 NORTHWEST OF ALANREED, TEXAS
 We wish all our friends a very Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

Merry Christmas to All

MR. JANE Fountain wishes to extend greetings to her many friends and customers of the Beauty Shop and wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

MAY this message of thankful appreciation for your good will come to you at a time when you too are enjoying the pleasant memories of friendship. Best wishes for a very Merry Yuletide. Miss Ligon at Hillcrest Beauty Shop.

MAY this Yuletide Season be the harbinger of a year of Peace and Prosperity for my many friends and patrons. It has been a year pleasantly spent in association with you. Mrs. W. J. Daugherty, 2123 Duncan, The Antique Shop.

AS WE think of all the good things we cannot help but feel that this sentiment is inspired by your good will and friendship maintained throughout the year. Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Stephenson and family, Stephenson Furniture Store.

MAY this message of thankful appreciation for your goodwill come to you at a time when you too are enjoying the pleasant memories of friendships that have lasted through long loyal years. Betty's Drug.

THE FOUNDATION of business is friendship—and with each Christmas we derive unmatched joy in wishing our friends all the pleasure of a Merry Yuletide and a Happy New Year filled with happiness, good health and peace. Montgomery Ward Co.

MAY We have the pleasure of being your hosts for happiness throughout the holiday season. The La Vista, Crown, LaNora and Drive Inn Christmas.

MAY this Christmas season and the New Year bring you all the good things of life in rich abundance. Collier and Co.

LEWIS HARDWARE owners and employees extend to our many friends and customers of the season to our many friends and their families.

THE SEASON of joy and gladness is here. As Christmas carols once again fill the air with the spirit of friendliness and good cheer. We feel inspired to observe the holiday in the traditional way—to wish everyone a Joyous Yuletide. Bert A. Howell and employees.

WE EXTEND to our warmest wishes for the merriest Christmas ever and a very happy New Year. The folks at Brooks Electric.

MERRY, MERRY Christmas, and a Happy New Year to everyone from Missy Hanner. May your holidays be joyful.

WE WISH all our many friends the abundant happiness of a wonderful Christmas and New Year. Coffey Pontiac.

MAY ALL the joys and pleasure be yours this Christmas and through the New Year. Johnson Cafe.

MR. AND MRS. S. L. Young and family extend the warm glow of good will and happiness to you and your friends and customers for a very Merry Christmas.

MRS. HENSBOROUGH at 409 Crest extends joy and happiness to her friends on Christmas and the New Year.

NONE OF us are so young that we cannot understand the beautiful meaning of Christmas and none of us so old and worldly that we cannot be reminded of the first message of Christmas "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men." For we all come to realize that the good things in life emanate from the desire to serve our fellowmen. It is in this spirit that we wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from Simmons Children's Shop.

AT THIS happy time of the year it gives us great pleasure to extend to all sincere wishes for a joyous Christmas. Clayton Floral Co.

GREETINGS to our many friends old and new. May the spirit of Christmas linger with you to brighten every day of the New Year. Treasure Chest, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Eshom.

AS WE think of all the good things that we would wish you this Christmas, we cannot help but feel that this sentiment is inspired by your good will and friendship maintained through the years. Mr. and Mrs. Grant Anderson at City Shoe Shop.

AS THE glad notes of Christmas music ring out, and voices of the choicest blend in joyous union we extend our heart-felt greetings to the Yuletide. May the spirit of Christmas bless you throughout the New Year. Tarpley Music Store.

ON HIS birthday we wish one and all happiness and prosperity, now and all the year through. The Thompson Hardware Co.

TO OUR friends and associates go our wishes for a joy-filled Christmas that may last the whole year thru. Zane's Jewelry.

WE WISH to extend a warm and friendly greeting of cheer for Christmas and the coming year. Office Appliance Co., Management and employees.

MR. AND MRS. G. M. Woodward Puller Brush Agency, extend true, wishes for a Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

LONG-LASTING friendships and the ever-present desire to serve bring about an understanding of a better way of life and a deeper appreciation of the time hallowed with a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Shirley at the Pampa Metalizing Co.

THE MANAGEMENT and personnel of Southwestern Public Service Co. join in wishing you and your good family, good luck, good cheer all through the Yuletide and the coming year.

THE BRUMMETT family at Brummett's Furniture and Upholstery Shop take this space to wish for all our friends the blessings of a very hearty Merry Christmas.

WITH ANOTHER Christmas upon us, we feel a special pride, a personal glow of happiness in greeting our many friends in the real spirit of the glorious holiday. For your peace of mind, your health and good cheer, we wish you all the beautiful blessings of the Yuletide season. It is in this spirit that we convey to you our message of a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. The Sunshine Dairy Folks.

THE YULETIDE season with its multitude of joys and manifestations of good cheer, is with us again. Once more it offers us the opportunity to set aside the routine of everyday business and in real sincerity wish all our friends the blessings of a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Joe Daniels and employees.

MAY YOUR Yuletide be gay, your family near, may your table be laden with food—May all our good wishes extended today, for happiness, health and good cheer, bring you and your friends, all you hold dear. A Merry and Prosperous New Year. The Management and employees of Texas Furniture Store.

MAY THE gifts under your tree include the gift of happiness and may it be a gift with a life time guarantee are the wishes of Addington and personnel of Addington's Western store.

FOR EACH and everyone we wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and plenty, White's Auto.

They'll Do It Every Time By Jimmy Hatlo

YOU CAN RAISE THE ROOF-RAGE AND SCOFF- BUT YOU CAN'T RAISE THE OPERATOR WHEN YOU'RE CUT OFF....

OPERATOR! OPERATOR! ARE YOU THERE? I'VE BEEN DISCONNECTED... OPERATOR! THIS CALL IS IMPORTANT! OPERATOR! ARE YOU LISTENING? OH, OPERATOR!

I SAID—YOUR THREE MINUTES ARE UP... DEPOSIT ANOTHER TEN CENTS, PLEASE...

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Christmas



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