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U. S. Celebrates Peacetime Christmas

Pope Pius XII Broadcasts Yule Message

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 24—(AP)—Pope Pius XII, replying to the Cardinals' Christmas message, said today that the hatred and devastation of war would long remain impressed on the world.

WORLD BROADCAST
In a world radio broadcast he said that for the first time in six years Christmas was being celebrated in peace, but not real peace.

NEW CARDINALS
The holy father called attention to the many nationalities which, he said, illustrated the universality of the church.

RECEPTION HELD
Falls of the great hall where the reception was held were hung with red damask. The Pope, in white robes, sat erect on a gilded throne. Before him were two microphones.

No outsiders were admitted to the Vatican during the ceremony, and special detachments of Swiss guards stood at the entrances to Papal City.

Merry Christmas Folks--We Made It

By The Associated Press
"Merry Christmas folks -- we made it."

Those were the words that echoed across the nation today as thousands of Americans joined their families and friends for the Yuletide after battling through the greatest travel jam in the country's history.

Countless other thousands still were fighting the odds of greatly over-taxed train, plane and bus facilities and only time could determine the outcome.

Transportation companies added extra equipment wherever possible, but that took care of only a trickle of the added demand.

Aisles of New York Central trains were so jammed the railroad suspended sales of tickets at some points over the weekend. Most of the passengers on United Air Lines planes Friday and Saturday had had their reservations three months.

In Chicago a spokesman for Gov. Dwight H. Green of Illinois said 500 militiamen and 110 trucks and jeeps would be pressed into service to transport stranded servicemen between the city's seven railroad stations.

The railroad crush settled down to a normal holiday rush in Washington, D. C., after an earlier steep decline chiefly to government workers leaving the city. Most passengers were able to get out of the capital after delays of only four or five hours.

At Richmond, Va., rail officials said holiday crowds were leveling off after some passengers had waited up to 14 hours to get aboard.

With most roads cleared after the recent storms, many persons turned to automobiles to escape the jam. An auto travel company in Chicago reported renting out 50 cars a day, most of them for trips to the West Coast.

Indianapolis got 1,000 cots ready for veterans who might be stranded there over Christmas.

MacArthur Censures Japs for Negligence

TOKYO, Dec. 24—(AP)—Emperor Hirohito will put into effect tomorrow General MacArthur's directive separating religion and the state on the anniversary of the death of the emperor's father. MacArthur today censured the Japanese government for failure to distribute large quantities of military and medical supplies to civilian hospitals and doctors.

51 Garage, 600 S. Cuyler, Phone 51. (Adv.)

SEASON EDITION

In keeping with the season, The Pampa Daily News has banned for this Christmas edition all crime news from the front page.

Throughout this issue the reader will find many interesting stories related to the season; and many Yuletide messages from the city's business firms.

There will be no edition of The News tomorrow, Christmas Day, but Station KPDM will keep listeners abreast of the latest news at home and abroad.

President Has Christmas Eve Date With Nation

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24—(AP)—President Truman has a Christmas Eve date with the nation today before flying to Missouri tomorrow to spend his first Yuletide as chief executive with his family.

WILL LIGHT TREE
Promptly at 4 p.m. (CST), Mr. Truman planned to walk out on the south lawn of the White House to light the national community Christmas tree—a big living fir that has remained dark the last four wartime Christmases.

BROADCAST PLANNED
Sixteen minutes later the chief executive will broadcast a brief Christmas message to the nation. All networks arranged to carry the address.

An hour and a half before the ceremony, the White House grounds were to be thrown open to the public, with the usual secret service precautions in force—no cameras, bundles or umbrellas permitted.

HOME FOR CHRISTMAS
A huge platform has been erected to hold the President's immediate party, the marine band and 65 choristers.

The White House has been profusely decorated for the holidays. He will take off in "The Sacred Cow," a C-54 transport, shortly after breakfast tomorrow, arriving at Kansas City about four hours later. The President will return to Washington Friday.

Man Drowned as Car Plunges Into Creek

BAY CITY, Tex., Dec. 24—(AP)—Funeral services were planned here today for Samuel Robert Dickey, 53, of Bay City, who was drowned Saturday night when the car he was driving plunged over the side of a narrow bridge near the downtown section in Coney creek.

A resident of Bay City for 25 years, he is survived by his widow, Mrs. Ada Dickey; two daughters, two sons; his mother, Mrs. Margaret Dickey of Dallas; five sisters all in Houston and a brother of Freeport.

Nubbins Wonders . . . 'When Is Christmas?'

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Dec. 24—(AP)—It's been more than 13 months since Santa Claus paid a heralded visit to Forest (Nubbins) Hoffman, so the four-year-old asks patiently, "how many more days to Christmas?"

Nubbins had his celebration Nov. 19 last year because a blizzard all-moment seemed likely to take his life before December 25. He underwent an operation later and now he is "just feeling swell," says his mother, Mrs. Marshall Hoffman.

Merry Christmas. Pampa Lubricating Co. (Adv.)

I Won't Be Home

My name is Pfc. Johnny Smith. I won't be home for Christmas. I am dead.

In the name of the tens of thousands of men who died, like me, that mankind might rejoice in peace and security again, I beg of you to give me this moment.

The greatest nation in the world has asked you to do one more job—the Victory Loan drive. I won't go into the reasons for the drive. I only know this—the government asked you to help. That's good enough for me.

It meant that the little people who buy \$25, \$50 and \$100 bonds were the ones who are important. If you haven't bought an E bond—do it before Dec. 31 even if it hurts a little.

If I were home for Christmas I'd buy a little of that freedom—and love it.

There's nothing finer than a Stromberg-Carlson. Coming soon. Lewis Hardware Co. (Adv.)

32 Cardinals, Four from US, Named by Pope

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 24—(AP)—Thirty-two new Cardinals, including four from the United States, six from Latin America and one from Canada, have been named by Pope Pius XII. They will receive the red hats emblematic of their office in Rome Feb. 18 at a consistory of the Sacred College of Cardinals, which now will number 70 members.

The four new United States members will be Archbishop Francis J. Spellman of New York, Archbishop J. Glennon of St. Louis, Archbishop Samuel A. Stritch of Chicago and Archbishop Edward Mooney of Detroit, a Vatican announcement said yesterday.

ONE AT PRESENT
At present, the only living U. S. Cardinal is Dennis Cardinal Dougherty of Philadelphia.

The four new United States cardinals, together with Cardinal Dougherty, will give that country its largest representation on the college. The United States has never before had more than four members.

Archbishop Spellman has been reported to be a probable choice for secretary of state at the Vatican. TRADITION BROKEN

The new appointments broke with the tradition that the majority of the college be Italians. One-fourth of the 32 new cardinals are Italians, thus bringing the total Italian membership of the 70-man college to only 28.

An unusual ascent of the Pope's appointments was the comparative youth of some of the new members. The youngest, Monsignor Bernard Griffin, archbishop of Westminster, England, is only 46, and Monsignor Norman Gilroy, archbishop of Sydney, Australia, is only 49.

Archbishop Glennon, 83, is the oldest of the new appointees. DELAYED BY WAR

Because of the war, the calling of a consistory had been long delayed. The last consistory was called June 15, 1936.

For the first time in history, all six continents will be represented in the college.

Precedent also was shattered by the naming of a Chinese prelate. Monsignor Tomasso Tin will be the first non-Caucasian cardinal.

The new appointees, besides those from the United States, as announced by Osservatore Romano, the Vatican newspaper are:

Canada: Monsignor James Charles MacGuigan, archbishop of Toronto.

Cuba: Monsignor Emanuel Artega

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Mercury Takes Trend Upward

(By The Associated Press)
Extreme cold had moderated over most of the country today, but sleet and freezing rain threatened to make holiday travel treacherous for Midwest and Eastern motorists.

Slippery roads were blamed for eight traffic deaths in Missouri. A "White Christmas" was assured for the Northern United States. Fresh snow was falling in the upper Mississippi valley and New England.

The coldest spot in the country early today was Phillipsburg, Pa., where the mercury dropped to 13 below.

Mild temperatures prevailed in the Midwest.

Rain drenched the Southeast, from Tennessee to Georgia and the Carolinas.

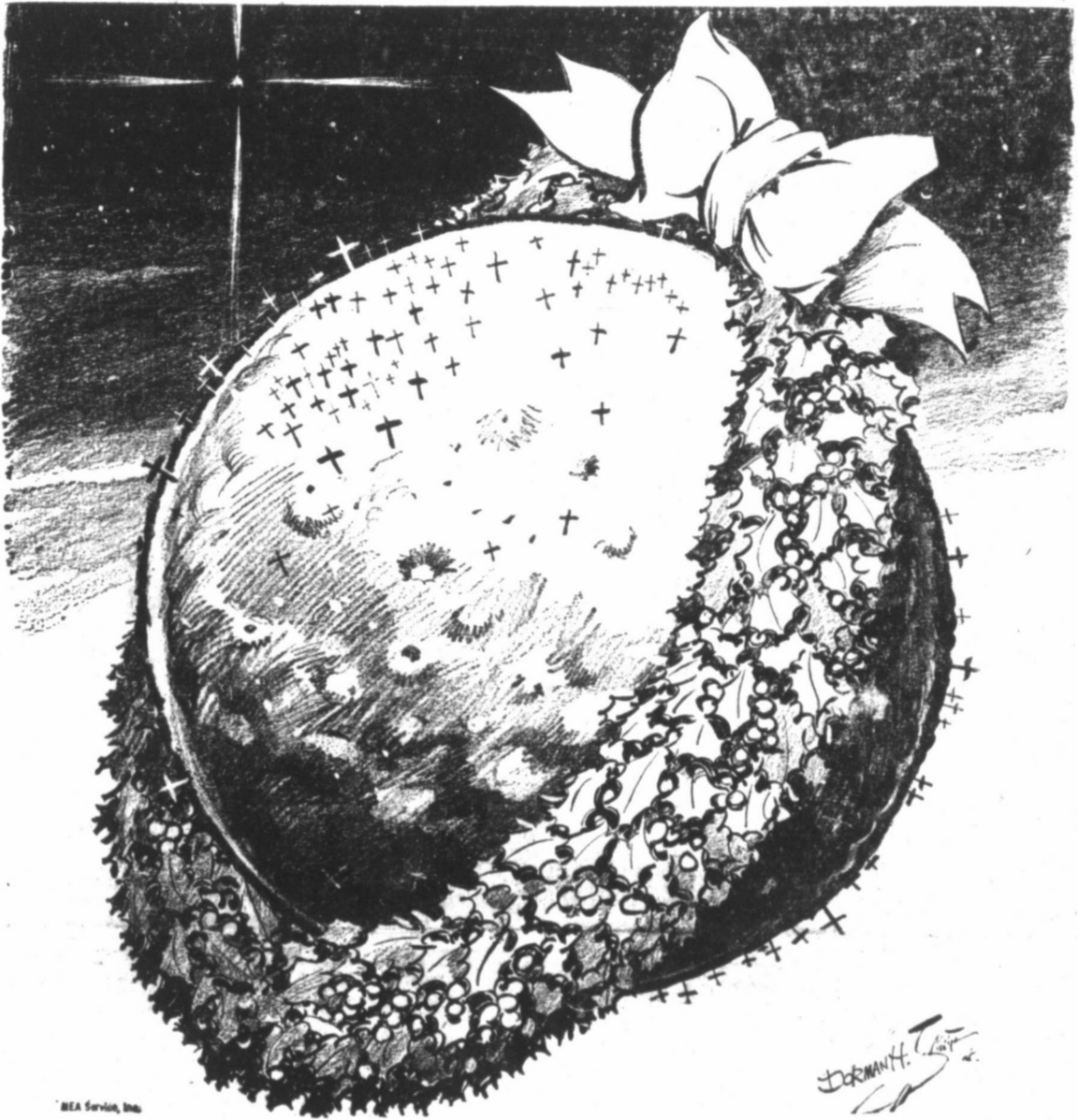
Girl Scouts Get Part In Helping Destitute

Girl Scouts of Pampa have contributed to making the Christmas a little brighter for some of the cold people of Europe. They have contributed cash to the purchase of 10,000 woolen blankets which have been sent abroad by all the Girl Scouts of America.

Back in 1942, American Girl Scouts were asked to contribute war stamps toward the founding of a fund to help destitute children. The stamps, converted into bonds with the understanding they could be cashed at any time the need arose, bought the blankets. They were shipped prior to Nov. 15.

And now the local scouts can be proud they took part in the effort.

For on This Day Was Born the Prince of Peace



By New Year's Latest Slogan

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24—(AP)—None of them kissed the ground, and none of them cheered. They filed impassively down the ship's gangway with their duffel bags, just another bunch of GI's who had lost out in the "home by Christmas" rush.

The cheering had come earlier, when the ship from Manila had docked four days before. Then the word came—they'd stay aboard until other Pacific veterans, returning earlier, had been moved on.

There wasn't a man who wouldn't admit to disappointment—but then GI's are used to taking what comes. But humor cracked down the aisles of the train taking them on the short ride to a processing camp.

The train passed a Mexican settlement, a little brown boy waving. "First little kid I've seen with clothes on!" another exclaimed.

They talked about Christmas, sure—when you asked them.

T/4 Kenneth L. Franklin, Whitesboro, Texas: "Home by New Year's is all right with me now."

T/5 Gus H. Frimel, LaGrange, Texas: "My brother left for overseas as I left for home—but maybe next Christmas we'll be together."

Pfc. Joe Menchaca, San Antonio, Texas: "I'd hoped to surprise my folks. Sure, you can surprise them for me."

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A Christmas Prayer

The man or woman does not live—nor has ever lived who could not profit by this Christmas prayer by Paul Wawelicki, which appeared in The Atlanta Constitution. Read it. Clip it. On Christmas morning, when all is quiet, slip off into a corner and read it again. It will cleanse the soul and bring peace to the troubled heart.

This morning, O Heavenly Father, I wish You would turn me wrongside out. I'm a fine one to be telling You, but there are millions of Your people in this war-torn world who are all shiny and bright, inside, where their secret dreams lie sleeping, but who give off no glow at all when you look at the part that shows.

Help me and all those others, Lord, to make up those ideals and urge them into action. Help me get control of the little things; the ugly, careless habits of thought and words and deeds that are wobbles on what You intended to be my immortal soul. Then, the things that matter most will take care of themselves.

To bulwark the unity our nation needs today, and as a personal habit, Lord, help me to be tolerant, even of intolerance. Let me not only cling close to the doctrine of live-and-let-live with my everyday neighbors, but make me man enough to reason calmly with my friend when he unthinkably echoes some banal but deadly opinion epithet charged with racial, religious or personal prejudice which does not spring from patriotic motives. Save me from the cowardly smirk of agreement, when I don't agree at all.

Keep me from bigotry and false pride, and let me feel the same degree of warm self-satisfaction from the friendly smile of my lowliest acquaintances as I do from the infrequent handshake of the mighty.

Stay my tongue from gossip and backbiting, and make me think instead of living that evil things may not be done of others' I'm the one who leaves the room. Let humility snuff out envy of others' success; let me be generous in praise for those who still have stars to hear it.

Let me not cravenly turn my head, muttering unconsciously to myself about the miserable pittance I give to charity, when a ragged, begging derelict catches me on the street. . . . but give me ample grace to hear the poor devil's story for what it may be worth.

When I wander into frantic worry and futile fears, . . . remind me of that dark night of boyhood, when the ghostly footsteps which pursued me, faster and ever faster, across the vacant lot, turned out to be the ribs of my cowardly breeches, rubbing against each other.

Tough me to think again the simple thoughts.

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READ "Jesus, The Perfect Man"

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Delay Taken in Stride by GI's

NEW YORK, Dec. 24—(AP)—The Christmas at home that they dreamed about for months will come a little bit late for more than 50,000 GI's along the eastern seaboard, but most of them don't seem to mind.

They are so close they know it will be only a matter of days so they are taking the delay in soldierly stride.

Storms at sea delayed some returning troops. Hundreds of soldiers were held up by the weekend travel jam.

Nearly 25,000 soldiers are arriving from Europe today.

Several thousand returnees will spend the holiday at Camp Shanks, N. Y. Also at the camp are 10,500 men awaiting shipment overseas as replacements. They are being granted brief leaves, mostly 24-hour passes.

Most of the separation centers have been able to keep up with the flow of returnees and about the only GI's likely to be in those places on Christmas are those half-way

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UNO To Be Formally Opened Next Year

LONDON, Dec. 24—(AP)—All preparations had been completed today for the formal opening early next year of the United Nations Organization, blueprinted by the San Francisco conference.

With adjournment of the preparatory commission yesterday, the path was cleared for official opening of UNO when its first general assembly convenes here Jan. 10.

Age Is What We Made It. . . But That Was Abstract

By J. L. SWINDLE
Editor, News

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The weeks rolled on. . . . things looked better in Europe. "But,"

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As the world celebrates this first peacetime Christmas in six years, possibly only the United States will have a really big observance.

Nations of war-torn Europe find rations rather thin with no hope for the traditional dinner of turkey and the trimmings. Yanks around the world will have some sort of treat. Uncle Sam has promised that much.

LONDON, Dec. 24—(AP)—A lean Santa totes a thin pack for most of the world on his first peacetime Christmas in six years.

In conquering and liberated countries, as well as in the shattered remnants of the third reich, there is not food enough for a hearty Yuletide feast, and the children's Christmas stockings literally gape at toes and heels.

YANKS ACT FOR SANTA
American servicemen, separated from their families on another Christmas, are filling their now familiar role of foster Santa wherever they can—for instance, they are entertaining 20,000 youngsters in Vienna tomorrow with food deducted from their own rations.

War orphans in Belgrade and Cairo and the children or released internees in Singapore also will share the Yanks' county-turkey and sweets, movies and laughter.

TURKEY IN CANS
Some sort of treat is in store for the soldiers themselves, such as canned turkey in Chungking or beer weak brew on the edge of New Guinea's steaming jungles.

Hundreds of English families will share their meager Christmas fare with GI's "sweating out" the long wait for passage home.

GERMAN CHRISTMAS
German housewives have begged a few luxuries from allied soldiers to supplement their families' hand-to-mouth existence. In a Frankfurt railroad station, one large tree, devoid of ornament, stands as a symbol of the drabness of Christmas in Germany.

By contrast, liberated Brussels turned a public square into a forest of Christmas trees with bright flowers, while in Copenhagen great torches will flare tonight over the graves of patriots killed by the Germans.

NO MONEY FOR SHOES
In Paris, children whose parents still can't buy shoes for them, pressed their noses against show windows displaying toy jeeps costing \$175 each and expensive dolls.

Rome stores, blacked out by power

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Many GI's Spend Yule Time at Sea

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24—(AP)—About 3,200,000 soldiers, sailors and marines will spend this first peacetime Christmas either at sea or in foreign lands.

The army and navy counted noses today and came up with this estimate. But they added that, even so, this should be a particularly merry Christmas for the armed services because:

1. As you may have heard, the war's over.

2. Celebrations can be carried on without worrying what the enemy is up to.

3. Even though 3,200,000 are far away, that's a numerical improvement over last year.

Last Christmas there were 4,933,882 soldiers overseas compared with the 2,100,000 who are there now. A year ago 1,750,000 sailors and marines were at sea or on vessels. This figure has been cut to 1,100,000.

The army and navy did their Christmas shopping early. Hun-

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Indications at noon today were that it would not be the "white Christmas" of song, but the banks and the stores gave evidence that it would be a big Christmas—by far the biggest since 1940, and perhaps the biggest in many more years.

BIG VOLUME TURNOVER
Both banks reported, as most banks in the country have, that there has been a decided increase in volume and turnover of business, what with most people having in their possession more money. The only drawback, it seems, was the shortage of some items and the complete absence of others that make the cash register jump way with each ring.

The temperature dropped to 18 last night, and there was a trace of sleet this morning. But the weatherman was expected to say—about noon that the weather would be partly cloudy, with temperatures of around 50 tomorrow afternoon. Sunday's maximum was 66, although the clouds were threatening most of the day; the minimum was 18.

MUCH TRAVEL
It will be a big Christmas. There will be—as has already been—a good deal of travel. For that reason, the postoffice said, many packages will be presented in person, rather than being mailed. But that did not prevent postmaster Weatherford from reporting that last week there were 10,000 more pieces of first class mail checked through the cancelling machine than in the same period last year. In a six-day period, ending Saturday, there were 157,000 pieces of first-class mail checked through there was no accurate check on packages, but the figure was high, he said.

SOME STRAGGLERS
A few stragglers were mailing cards and packages today—but not many.

This year has been surprisingly easy, so far as delivering packages and mail is concerned, he said. This was due to the fact that there was more experienced help. If all packages are not delivered today, the workers will get them out tomorrow, he said. The postoffice windows will be closed tomorrow, but mail will be deposited in the post-office boxes and the packages will go out; but there won't be a regular postal delivery until Wednesday.

Most of the churches planned full program this year. Some of them were held last night, and others are planned for tonight.

The schools are out for the holidays. Students will go back to classes on Wednesday, January 2.

Public offices were closed today and will be closed tomorrow. Many eating places are closed for today and tomorrow, and in fact many persons had difficulty finding a place to eat breakfast this morning. The banks will be closed tomorrow. Most of the grocery stores were countenancing late shoppers today, but they will close at the regular time today.

THE WEATHER

U. S. WEATHER BUREAU

6 a.m. today . . . 29
7 a.m. . . . 19
8 a.m. . . . 19
9 a.m. . . . 22
10 a.m. . . . 28
11 a.m. . . . 39
12 noon . . . 47
1 p.m. . . . 52
Yesterday's Max. 66
Yesterday's Min. 18

WEST TEXAS: Partly cloudy and colder this afternoon and tonight. Lowest temperatures 16-20 Panhandle, 18-24 South Plains, and 26-32 elsewhere except slightly above freezing in Rio-Grande Pass area tonight. Tuesday partly cloudy, continued cold.

EAST TEXAS: Colder interior tonight and in northwest and extreme west portions this afternoon. Lowest temperatures tonight 20-24 extreme northwest, 24-28 remainder northwest and extreme north, and near 32 west-central portion. Tuesday partly cloudy and colder. Fresh southerly winds on the coast becoming fresh to strong northerly tonight.

REINDEER AND THE ATOM BOMB:

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MOSCOW MEET IS BELIEVED ENDING

Good News May Be Expected Soon

MOSCOW, Dec. 24.—(AP)—The end of the Big Three foreign ministers conference is in sight, informed sources said today, and good news may be expected to be announced.

The informants stated accomplishments had been achieved and probably would be announced simultaneously in Moscow, London and Washington.

Although the conference has reached its final stage, both U. S. Secretary of State Byrnes and British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin will be in Moscow until Christmas morning at least, it was said.

U. S. Puts New Emphasis on Economic Aid

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(AP)—With increasing frequency, the United States is dangling the bait of economic aid before certain governments slow to adopt policies this country believes essential to peace and stability.

Diplomatic officials underscored that angle today in analyzing this country's statement Saturday announcing recognition of the new Yugoslav republic while criticizing some practices of Marshal Tito's Belgrade regime.

A-BOMB QUESTION

Meanwhile, it was readily reported that Russia had not been let in on any secrets about the atomic bomb, although the foreign ministers were said to have discussed the United States-British-Canadian policy on world control of atomic energy.

In the statement, Acting Secretary of State Dean Acheson expressed hope the Yugoslavians soon would follow a course which would "make possible those relations, both political and economic," which he said the U. S. desires.

MEET IN NINTH DAY

An atmosphere of optimism continued to prevail today as the conference went into its ninth day. The three ministers twice displayed their cordiality publicly last night, at the Bolshoi theater by arising and clasping hands above their heads.

In the Marshall directive, Mr. Truman said that as China moved toward peace and unity along lines he suggested, the United States would "assist the national government in every reasonable way" to rehabilitate its economy and establish an adequate army.

Corpus Christi Boy Killed in Accident

CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex., Dec. 24.—James T. Cunningham, 15, of Corpus Christi, was killed in a hunting accident near here yesterday. A verdict of accidental death was returned by Carl Crow, justice of the peace.



WHERE YOU'LL TRAVEL—The above map shows at a glance where tourists can expect to go in 1946. It is republished from The American Magazine where it illustrates an article by Ralph T. Reed, president of the American Express Company, reviewing the world travel outlook.

Probers Split Over Question Of Code-Cracking

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(AP)—The jig is up for the navy's "Jig-19." But Pearl Harbor investigators can't agree about the effects of code-cracking disclosures on future espionage activities.

Liars' Club President Says Lies Are Getting Better

BURLINGTON, Wis., Dec. 24.—(AP)—There are just as many liars as ever and the lies are getting better. That's O. C. Hulet talking and it's no lie, he says.

Marshall Urged To Set Time Limit On Disarmament

CHUNG-KING, Dec. 24.—(AP)—The communist New China Daily News urged General Marshall today to set a time limit on the disarmament of Japanese troops in China and the withdrawal of American forces.

One Accident Is Reported in City

Despite icy streets, only one accident was reported by local police this morning, the wreck involving two cars at the corner of Cuyler and Foster streets.

Senator Lucas (D-Ill.) said today he believes the senate-house inquiry committee's action in barring the secret that Americans have been reading German, Japanese and other nation's confidential messages "has given us a diplomatic setback that can't be measured."

Hulet, dodged the question. "I'm not starting any war with the state of Texas," says Hulet. "Texas might annex the United States. Then where would I be?"

The newspaper asserted that any American help to Chungking—military, political, financial or technical—before a coalition government was established would aggravate "the current Civil War."

Lucas said the greatest effect will be in the loss to this country of information about the activities of other nations, who he said are bound to change their codes.

Damage was heavy to both cars, the front end of the Mercury being smashed and the left side of the Hupmobile being damaged. Most of the windows in McCormick's car were shattered.

Marshall said it was unnecessary to restate America's policy toward China, as President Truman had made that clear.

In the Armour letter—made public September 26—Mr. Roosevelt vigorously condemned Generalissimo Franco and said if it were not for his regime there were many things "in economic and other fields" which this country would do gladly to demonstrate its friendship for the Spanish people.

No one was injured in the accident, Manning reported.

He had conferred with Soong just before meeting newspapersmen and earlier with Chiang. Yesterday he had a "friendly exchange of views" with Gen. Chou En-lai, deputy chief of the communist party and leader of the communist delegation to the political council; Gen. Yeh Chien-Ying, chief of staff of communist armies; and Tung Pi-Wu, communist member of the Chinese delegation at the San Francisco UNO conference.

Some officials believe the United States next may use economic hints in its negotiations with the still-unrecognized governments of Romania and Bulgaria. What this country wants in those two Balkan states are the same things it says Tito's regime has not yet provided in Yugoslavia.

Guarantees of the basic freedoms and democratic elections conducted by provisional governments broadly representative of all democratic peoples.

Meantime, the government and the communists continued their battle of words, each accusing the other of fighting or preparing to fight in North China. The communists included an unconfirmed charge that government troops used poison gas Nov. 27 in an engagement near Paoting. Hoeph province.

We wish you the Best of Everything

A merry, merry Christmas and loads of good cheer.

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Reindeer (Continued from page 1)

They said Cassandra-like, "there is still Japan." We knew they were right. Time Magazine kept coming news words, as it had always done, the newspapers kept writing about the homefront, what was scarce, what this investigating committee was doing, who was going to be called to testify about this and that... talk of raising the ceiling prices on peanuts... and a serviceman (two them, probably) was put off a cargo plane at Memphis, Tenn., for a dog named Blaze. (He was later killed for biting Palau.)... Things changed fast, and the Germans quit, and people pointed to the Pacific... the B-29 and a fellow named Halsey were causing emergency meetings of the Jap cabinet... Chewing gum appeared under new trade names... cigars were still bad (not that a civilian had a right to object). Men started coming home... others were drafted... and kidded about occupation in Germany. People mentioned Santa Claus now and then, and little children liked it. They were still arguing on Capitol Hill and congressmen complained that all the troubles of the land were being borne by them... Speaking of born: each twenty-four hours brought the light of day to little ones... There was a cry, and another had breathed the breath of life... "But, someone might have asked, 'what is life?' And he who is handy with others' phrases might have answered: "Life is what you make it."

Perhaps. And that includes science. Science had proved it... yes. The nuclear physicists, to be exact... out in the desert, not too far from our own hometown. They made death too—But who is it that shall say from death there shall not be life?

Science had done it... But who will say that science and humanity will not come together in common agreement on down the road somewhere?

There we have struck a chord. For even though—in the world of reality—Japan had quit, there still existed in the mind of the little child a Donner and Blitzen: the scientist adhered to his nuclei.

The year had grown old... to them.

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er shortage, still displayed an abundance of cheese, nuts and confections, at which the average working man making \$2 a day could only look.

Neurnberg's top market, once the world center for the industry, has shrunk to a handful of shabby shops.

Even in Portugal, neutral throughout the war, poultry prices stood at five times the peacetime level. However, a glass of red wine or an attractive top could be bought for half a cent.

But somehow people who had been through the war were getting along—thankful the soldiers were home and the bombers grounded.

UNRRA distributed 100,000 Christmas packages in cold, disease-ridden Poland. Socks came from the United States; for nearly every Highlander, and British children donated 57 cases of toys to Danish youngsters.

Yanks at Sea (Continued from Page One)

dreds of thousands of turkeys, plus all the trimmings, were bought and shipped long ago. The navy started moving out Christmas trees as early as October.

How the soldier, sailor or marine actually will spend Christmas Day is up to his theater commander or ship's captain.

But Christmas traditionally is a big day on any navy ship. And the army's special services division hopes that enough entertainment is available to keep the soldiers fairly happy.

but men had grown old only insofar as they had left behind the realm of fancy.

In unison (almost) men began to chant "... and goodwill toward men." (They did that once a year.)

(Once a year.)

Little children did all the time. (They saw Donner and Blitzen... there was no atomic bomb to them.)

GI's Delayed (Continued from page 1)

through the processing.

Staff Sgt. Connie W. Swenson of 1705 East 22nd Street, Austin, Tex., who was with the Seventh army in the field the last year, said at Camp Shanks that he had been on the way home "since Oct. 2. One thing after another delayed me, but I'll make it yet."

The sergeant telephoned his mother, Mrs. Thille Swenson, and said he wouldn't arrive until Wednesday or Thursday.

"Your brother Klem got leave from the navy and he's here now," she said. "It'll be the first time we can all be together in three years, so we'll hold everything for another 24 to 48 hours."

Pvt. George C. Leach of Astoria, Long Island, also destined to go overseas, learned that the man next to him at mess was Pvt. Harold C. Loesch. They couldn't discover any relationship, but George invited Harold to his home for Christmas. Harold's home is in Oglesby, Texas.

Cardinals (Continued from page 1)

y Belancourt, archbishop of Havana.

Brazil: Monsignors Carlo Carmelo de Vasconcello Moitas, archbishop of Sao Paulo, Jaime de Barros Camera, archbishop of Rio De Janeiro.

Chile: Monsignor Jose De Caro Rodriguez, archbishop of Santiago.

Peru: Monsignor Juan Goaberto Guevara, archbishop of Lima.

Argentina: Monsignor Antonio Cagiano, archbishop of Rosario.

Beland: Monsignor Bernard Griffin, archbishop of Westminster.

Hungary: Monsignor Josef Mindszenty, archbishop of Strigonia.

Germany: Monsignor Conrad Von Preysing, archbishop of Berlin; Josef Prins, archbishop of Cologne, and Clement A. Von Galen, bishop of Muenster.

Austria: Monsignor Norman Gilroy, archbishop of Sydney.

The Netherlands: Monsignor Jon De Jong, archbishop of Utrecht.

China: Monsignor Tomasso Tien, titular bishop of Fuspe and apostolic vicar of Tsingtao.

France: Monsignor Emile Roues, archbishop of Rennes, Pierre Petit De Julleville, archbishop of Rouen, and Jules Sallege, archbishop of Toulouse.

Holand: Monsignor Adam Stefan Sapieha, archbishop of Krakow.

Turkish Armenia: Gregory Peter XV, Aganianian patriarch of Cilicia.

Mozambique: Portuguese East Africa: Monsignor Teodosio Clemente De Gotvenia, archbishop of Laurento Marques.

Spain: Monsignors Enrique Pla y Deniel, archbishop of Toledo and primate of Spain; Agostino Parrado Y Garcia, archbishop of Granada; and Emanuel Arce Y Ochotorena, archbishop of Tarragona.

Italy: Monsignors Giuseppe Bruno, secretary of the Sacred Congregation of the Council; Clemente Milcara, titular archbishop of Apamea, Syria, and apostolic nuncio to Bel-

General Patton Is Buried With Men of Third Army

LUXEMBOURG, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Gen. George S. Patton, Jr., was buried today beside one of the privates of his beloved Third Army who helped the famous commander force one of the greatest victories of his brilliant career in stamping out the Ardennes bulge.

The grave was near the capital of the little Duchy of Luxembourg among the resting places of 6,000 other American troops who died a year ago in driving back Germany's last bid for victory.

Patton died Friday of lung and heart complications which developed after a motor accident Dec. 9, in which the general was paralyzed from the shoulders down. His neck was broken.

Armored columns like the ones Patton dispatched last Christmas Eve to compress the German bulge wound through the hills and forest from Luxembourg City again today.

Patton's body arrived on a special train from Heidelberg before dawn. A second special train followed, bringing Mrs. Patton and the 10 generals and two colonels who acted as pallbearers.

The picturesque old city already was bedecked with flags spread from windows, hanging at half staff from the flagpoles, drooping in the rain.

Promptly at 9:15 a. m., the doors of the funeral car opened, and ten soldiers lifted the casket into the platform. They were all privates of the Third Army. One was a negro. They passed through the station and placed the casket on a half track.

After this, all the thousands of people who had entered the cemetery a last, honored the general.

Mrs. Patton and her brother followed. She looked tired and was pale. She walked behind the casket with her face tilted upward. Her chin was firm. She kept her eyes on the soldiers.

Behind her were the generals. The casket was placed on beams bridging the open grave under a canopy.

The chaplain, Col. Edwin Randolph Carter, Jr., of Richmond, Va., read from the Bible:

"In the midst of life, we are in death."

As he intoned the words, the flag was lifted from the casket. Soldiers held in a few inches above the silver top as the chaplain spoke.

Then he began reciting the Lord's Prayer. Everyone uncovered.

A squad of Alpine Chasseurs in whose company Patton had been an honorary master sergeant snapped

their rifles to attention. When the last of the prayer had been said, the soldiers folded the flag and handed it to Mrs. Patton.

A curt command sounded outside the canopy: "Half left—aim—fire." Three volleys splintered the heavy silence.

And then the plaintive notes of a bugle rang in the air. This was taps for Gen. Patton, the soldier's command for sleep.

Again the military attendants snapped to attention. The Russian, British and French generals, their great coats gleaming with medals, held themselves in salute until Mrs. Patton turned to leave.

As soon as the space beneath the canopy was empty, the bishop of Luxembourg in his purple robe entered. For a moment, he stood looking intently at the casket. Then he bowed his head and his lips moved in prayer.

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Miss Pudell Everson Becomes Bride Of Melton Stanford in Home Rites

Miss Pudell Everson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Everson, became the bride of Melton Stanford, son of Oscar Stanford, in a single ring ceremony at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Woodard, 1206 E. Francis, at 8 o'clock Thursday evening, Dec. 13. The Rev. Charles D. Speck of the Church of Christ read the ceremony.

The rooms of the home were decorated in the Christmas motif. Red bells hung from the arch-way through which the bride and groom entered the living room where the vows were taken near the fireplace and Christmas tree.

The bride was given in marriage by her father and wore a blue gardenia wool suit with black accessories. She carried a bouquet of white carnations.

Mrs. Everson wore a black dress and a corsage of white gardenias. Mrs. Stanford, mother of the groom, who lives in Arkansas, also wore a gardenia corsage.

Following the wedding rites a reception was held at the home for relatives and friends of the couple. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Gates, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Frye, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Childers, D. M. Boren, Mrs. D. M. Boren, Gussie Lee Everson, Frank Jameson, Jr., Hazel Slate, Jessie Everson, Elijah Slate, Jimmie Everson, the Rev. and Mrs. Carlos Speck, Mr. and Mrs. Don Childers, Miss Millie Bonta, Mrs. Sam Sampson, Walter Everson, Margaret Johnson, Anell Johnson, Tommie Stanford and Barbara Vaughn.

The couple recently moved to their home on Gillespie street. The groom is employed as a mechanic at the Daniels Auto Rebuilding shop. Both Mr. and Mrs. Stanford attended the Pampa schools.

Baptist Union Outlines Work Of Coming Year

The Women's Missionary Union of the Central Baptist church met at the church Wednesday evening for a Royal service program under the direction of Mrs. W. R. Morrison of the Lillie Hunley circle.

December topic was, "Facing Tomorrow with God." The meeting opened with the hymn, "Lead on, O King Eternal," followed by a prayer given by Mrs. Dayton White.

In the room was a table on which were four lighted candles and an open Bible, signifying the leading light of God's word.

The watch word of the year, and the Bible study were given by Mrs. R. Q. Harvey, "Joy to the World," was sung, and a prayer was given by Mrs. G. C. Stark.

The following topics were discussed: "The End of a Great Century," by Mrs. H. W. Williams; "Beginning of a New Century," Mrs. L. G. Lunsford; prayer by Mrs. J. P. Webb, leading to topics concerning "On to a Greater Future" of work by Southern Baptists, to "Strengthen the Home Base," given by Mrs. D. L. Lunsford; "Enlarged Foreign Mission Program," Mrs. Dayton White; "Minister to Physical Need," Mrs. W. R. Morrison, and "More Faithful Stewardship," Mrs. Hugh Peoples. "Crowning the Centennial for Christ," was given by Mrs. J. L. Barnard.

Mrs. J. F. Webb sang "O Little Town of Bethlehem," followed by a prayer given by Mrs. Harvey. A short business session in which reports were given was presided by Mrs. L. G. Lunsford, president. It was announced that each circle would begin the study of "A Year's Missionary Tour of the Bible" in January.

Members attending other than those mentioned above were Mes. Ben Stephenson, F. M. Burnett and F. W. Broyles.

vious path here, in the story of London Wingo and his trials as a small-town, small church, pastor. Yet he writes with a sound, sure hand of theology and creed, of practice and preaching. Maybe the answer is that Street himself once was a Baptist preacher, and left the seminary just as London Wingo did and for the same reason. "I was broke and we were expecting our first baby."

Naturally that raises the question: How much of "The Gauntlet," is autobiographical? Street says he "never knew a preacher like Wingo. I made him up out of several preachers." But I'll bet one of the several was James Street.

H. Allen Smith, of "Low Man on a Teton Pole" fame says this book is "A Protestant 'Going My Way'." It would be more apt to say that it's a Baptist "One Foot in Heaven." For one thing, as Street himself points out, London Wingo "is not trying to persuade people to go his way, but is trying to find the way he wants to go." But the parallel with "One Foot in Heaven" is inevitable to any one who remembers Hartzell Spence's account of the Methodist small-town, small church, pastor.

Street's story lacks the free, deft humor of the Rev. Spence's story. Perhaps that is because, by the authors' admission, London Wingo is several men rolled into one while the Rev. Spence was burdened by no personality but his own. Again, the reader of "The Gauntlet" feels some times that the author is leading him unduly by the hand, especially in those paragraphs which, obviously are Street's own observations on what his characters should or should not do. The result is a loss to objectivity.

But "The Gauntlet," November Literary Guild selection, is an engaging, authentic story for all that. There probably are people like London Wingo's parishoners right in the next pew to you.

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Salvation Army Present Pageant, Makes Baskets

A Christmas tree was held at the Salvation Army church on Friday night, with a program given by the young people of the Salvation Army. The junior department presented a pageant "Love Shows the Way" and the intermediate department presented a pageant "The Birth of Christ."

The program was in charge of Pauline McPhillips. There were 116 who attended and each child present received a gift from Santa.

Sunday night a pageant was presented by the young people, "A Christmas Fantasy." Tuesday a Christmas tree party was given to a group of 36 smaller children. Saturday a number of baskets and food orders were given to the needy of our city. Sunday "Sunshine Baskets" of fruit distributed at the local hospital to sick patients, with a copy of the Christmas War Cry.

Mainly About Pampa and Her Neighbor Towns

For Sale: Standard 36" bicycle, used very little, 708 N. Gray.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. DeHoff will leave this afternoon for Amarillo, to spend Christmas with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Engene Eddings.

Gala Christmas Dance, Christmas Eve at Southern Club. Pinky Powell orchestra. \$1.20 per person. Including tax. 9 'til 2.

Hugh Stennis, student at the medical college of the University of Pennsylvania, is home for the holidays visiting his parents Judge and Mrs. S. D. Stennis.

Gala Christmas Dance, Christmas Eve at Southern Club. Pinky Powell orchestra. \$1.20 per person. Including tax. 9 'til 2.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stevens and family moved to Weatherford, Texas, today. They have lived in Pampa for nine years.

For your dance or dinner party, contact Ken Bennett, Phone 1107.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wilson and son, leave for Blair, Oklahoma today to spend the holidays with friends.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ross Byars of Mangum, Okla., spent the weekend at the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Smith.

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Andy Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wilson, won't be home for Christmas. In the army, he is scheduled for immediate duty at Fairbanks, Alaska. He is stationed at Great Falls, Mont.

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Forest Wilson of Quincy is visiting his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wilson, 515 N. Hazel.

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Clarence McKinzel and wife of Oakland, Calif., visited her sister, Mrs. George Sprowder, last week, enroute to Nashville, Tenn., to see his mother, Mrs. McKinzel is the former Doris Walker and brother of R. S. Walker, Brownville.

Gray county servicemen did their parts towards winning the war, and are now doing their share of occupation duty. Gray county civilians have not done their part until the E. Bonds quota has been bought. Buy more bonds.

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It and Mrs. Jack Hesse are home for the holidays visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Hesse. They will return to Clovis, N. M., Jan. 10. Lt. Hesse expects to be transferred to Germany in the near future.

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Mr. and Mrs. Maynard W. Rafferty for the holidays visiting his parents, Mrs. E. L. Rafferty is in the special services office at Will Rogers field, Oklahoma City.

Midnight Communion Service Saint Matthews Episcopal Church. Starts 11:15 p.m. tonight. You are invited.

Even a worm can learn from experience.

Pledges Presented



Kit Kat Klub pledges who were presented at the club's annual Christmas dance are, front row, left to right: Arvilla Patterson, Naneen Campbell, Virginia McNaughton and Barbara Stephens; back row, Barbara Walters, Jo Ann Appleby, Hilda Ruth Burden, Billy Ann Moseley, Marian Wenger, Donna Jo Nensiel.

Kit Kat Klub Pledges Presented At Annual Christmas Formal Dance

Holly wreaths, lighted Christmas tree, candles and red berries formed the setting for the annual formal Christmas dance of the Kit Kat Klub in which new pledges were presented Saturday evening at the country club.

Guests, which approximated 200, were greeted by Miss Beverly Candler, president of the club, and Mrs. V. L. Boyles, sponsor.

Miss Barbara Morrison presided at the register.

Pledges were presented as Dick McCune's orchestra softly played the club song, "Stardust."

Marian Wenger, chosen "Best Pledge," by club members, was presented a pearl studded Kit Kat pin. Chaperons for the evening were Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Boyles, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Boyd and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Prath.

Among guests signing the register were Charles Beard and Betty Jean Frimmore, Bill Bellamy and Zita Kennedy, Jean Pratt and Frank Stallings, Virginia McNaughton and Jimmie Cox, Arvilla Patterson and Bill Kribbs, Atolline Patton and Darrell Husted, Bill Hutchinson and Pat Miller, Sibyl Pierson and Willis Price, Charles Riggan and

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That's what you see when you look into the busy workrooms of one of Santa Claus' topflight American assistants—Cecilia Staples. Miss Staples, her husband, Ira Smith, and the firm's art director, Irving Sherman, are partners in a New York firm which produces windows and counter displays for stores all over the country. From May to December they are busy on backgrounds for Christmas gifts.

The three, all young, met in their art school days at Pratt institute, Brooklyn. Miss Staples—blonde, slender, chic and a whirlwind of energy—made some drawings, cut classes for a week and sold her work in Greenwich Village. That gave her courage to take her wares to department store display sections. They used her work and urged her to try her hand at paper relief effects. Soon she was working more with scissors than paint and her small apartment overflowed with

paper pictures and figures. Then the three students joined forces, started producing display material in a cold water tenement and eventually built a business of paper whose production now fills a four-story building.

Miss Staples originates ideas and sells, working at a big three-sided desk amid a mass of paints, paper, beads, spangles and glittering plastic "jewels."

"The figures are made of paper mache, worked over an armature, and the 'flesh' is put on with crushed folds of tissue paper, dipped in paste and smoothed on," she explained. "The clothes are made of paper too. Then they are painted and dressed up with accents. The paper panoramas are cut out a piece at a time and fastened to a flat wooden armature."

When Christmas production is at fever heat, Miss Staples races around among the workers—many of whom are art students—checking up on results, ordering more fluff in an angel's robe, more jewels in a crown. At her heels trails Ruggles, her poolie, adding an occasional yip to the jingle of her bracelets.

At the peak season Miss Staples finds it hard to get enough competent workers and drives production harder than ever, with no time for idle talk. One morning after she had advertised for help, she looked up from her work to find a man in an overcoat standing

at her elbow. "Go take off your coat, give your security number to the secretary and come back and staple these girlies," she said. "Here is a staple gun. Hurry!"

The man tried to tell her something, but "the boss" was too busy to listen. When he finished that job, she set him at another and worked him hard for a half a day. Finally the stranger got a word in and told her who he was—display manager of one of the largest department stores in the south. When he got a chance to talk he placed a big order for Christmas displays.

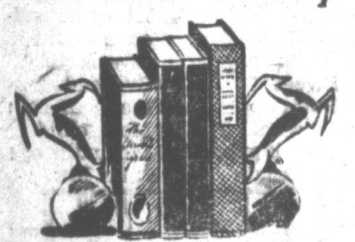
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By BOB PRICE
The Gauntlet, by James Street (Doubleday, Doran; \$2.75). James Street is known as a writer who knows about boys and dogs and Southern history. On the basis of the "The Gauntlet," he also knows about religion—at least as the Baptists see it. Street goes far out of his pre-



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JESUS, THE PERFECT MAN

The following editorial is re-printed here as one of the great newspaper writings of the profession. It was written by the late C. P. J. Mooney, editor, The Memphis (Ten.) Commercial Appeal, printed in the issue of Dec. 22, 1912. It has been re-printed many times.)

There is no other character in history like that of Jesus. As a preacher, as a doer of things, and as a philosopher, no man ever had the sweep and the vision of Jesus.

A human analysis of the human actions of Jesus brings to view a rule of life that is amazing in its perfect detail.

The system of ethics Jesus taught during His earthly sojourn 2,000 years ago was true then, has been true in every century since, and will be true forever.

Plato was a great thinker and learned in his age, but his teachings did not stand the test of time. In big things and in little things time and human experience have shown that he erred.

Marcus Aurelius touched the reflective mind of the world, but he was as cold and austere as brown marble.

The doctrine of Confucius gave a great nation moral and mental dry rot.

The teachings of Buddha resulted in mental and moral chaos that makes India derelict.

Mohammed offered a system of ethics which was adopted by millions of people. Now their children live in deserts where once there were cities, along dry rivers where once there was moisture, and in the shadows of gray, barren hills where once there was greatness.

Thomas Aquinas was a profound philosopher, but parts of his system have been abandoned.

Francis of Assisi was Christ-like in his saintliness, but in some things he was childish.

Thomas Kempis' Imitation of Christ is a thing of rare beauty and sympathy, but it is, as its name indicates, only an imitation.

Sir Thomas More's Utopia is yet a dream that cannot be realized.

Lord Bacon in writing on chemistry and medicine under the glasses of the man working in a 20th century laboratory is purile.

The world's most learned doctors until a hundred and fifty years ago gave dragon's blood and the ground-tails of lizards and shells of eggs for certain ailments. The great surgeons a hundred years ago bled a man if he were wounded.

Napoleon had the world at his feet for four years, and when he died the world was going on its way as if he had never lived.

Jesus taught little as to property because He knew there were things of more importance than property. He measured property and life, the body and soul, at their exact relative value. He taught much as to character, because character is of more importance than dollars.

Other men taught us to develop systems of government. Jesus taught us as to perfect the minds of men. Jesus looked to the soul, while other men dwelled on material things.

After the experience of 2,000 years no man can find a flaw in the governmental system as outlined by Jesus.

Czar and Kaiser, president and socialist, give to its complete merit their admiration.

No man today, no matter whether he follows the doctrine of Mills, Marx or George as to property, can find a false principle of Jesus' theory of property.

In the duty of man to his fellow no sociologist has ever approximated the perfection of the doctrine laid down by Jesus in His Sermon on the Mount.

Not all the investigations of chemists, not all the discoveries of explorers, not all the experiences of rulers, not all the historical facts that go to make up the sum of human knowledge on this day of 1912 are in contradiction to one word or one principle laid down by Jesus.

The human experiences of 2,000 years show that Jesus never made a mistake. Jesus never uttered a doctrine that was true at that time and then became obsolete.

Jesus spoke the truth; He lived the truth, and truth is eternal.

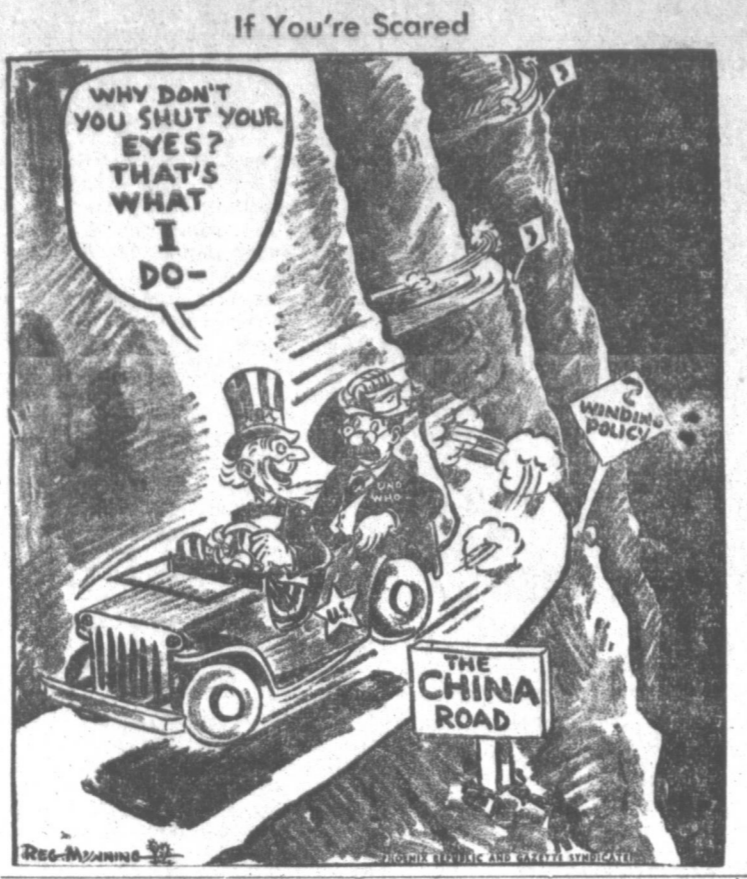
History has no record of any other man leading a perfect life or doing everything in logical order. Jesus is the only person whose every action and whose every utterance strike a true note in the heart and mind of every man born of woman. He never said a foolish thing, never did a foolish act and never dissembled.

No poet, no dreamer, no philosopher loved humanity with the love Jesus bore toward all men.

Who, then, was Jesus?

He could not have been merely a man, for there never was a man who had two consecutive thoughts absolute in truthful perfection.

Jesus must have been what Christendom proclaims Him to be—a divine being—or He could not have been what He was. No mind but an infinite mind could have left behind those things which Jesus gave to the world as a heritage.



News Behind the News The National Whirligig

By RAY TUCKER
"NATIONALISTS"—The ship of state's rough voyages through international waters since V-J Day have tempted several erstwhile mutinous members of the crew to try to climb aboard again in the 1946 congressional contests. This time, however, they will campaign as "nationalists" rather than "internationalists."
The comeback trio, according to reports in political circles at the Capital, will consist of former Sen. Gerald P. Nye of North Dakota, former Rep. Hamilton Fish of the Twenty-sixth New York district, and Stephen A. Day, former congressman-at-large from Illinois. All three were defeated in primaries or elections in 1944 because their views on foreign affairs ran counter to the war sentiment.
The three have informed friends that they think they may have a good chance. They think that many Americans have been disillusioned by the Pearl Harbor revelations, by evidence of an early Roosevelt-Churchill agreement that the U. S. would eventually enter the conflict, by Russia's behavior, by London's rowdy reaction to the \$4,000,000,000 loan and by unfortunate events in China.
FISH—Mr. Fish has been mentioned as a possible candidate for governor of New York against Thomas E. Dewey. He could not get the nomination from the state convention because the politics in New York and throughout the country would fear the interpretation that might be put on their acceptance of such an ultra-internationalist. Both he and Dewey are vulnerable.
"Ham" might like to oppose Mr. Dewey because the latter disowned him and his foreign affairs attitude in 1944, and the governor was particularly responsible for the ex-congressman's defeat at the polls.
The question for Mr. Fish to decide is whether he is mad enough to run independently for the Albany job, and perhaps pick up enough republican votes to defeat "Tom," thus ruining his 1948 presidential possibilities, or whether he prefers to capitalize on a fair chance of returning to the house of representatives.
UNITED—President Truman's proposal for establishment of an industrial fact-finding agency and a thirty-day "cooling-off" period was the only factor which kept squabbling members of the C. I. O.'s automobile hierarchy from an open break over General Motors strike strategy. The White House intervention enabled them to reorganize their united front overnight in an alliance against any crippling of their walkout weapon.
U. A. W. President R. J. Thomas's mysterious letter agreeing to G. M.'s suggestion that the workers operate factories making parts for other automobile firms precipitated the backstage row. Although Mr. Thomas's name was affixed to the communication, and he at first seemed

MACKENZIE'S Column

AP World Traveler
LONDON, Dec. 24.—(AP)—It never has been the custom of the Mackenzie clan to publish its private correspondence, but mother and I want to share this Yuletide letter to our children with others, for it tells of a very wonderful truth which we have had impressed on us here in war-ravaged England.
Christmas is what the heart makes it.
England is happy in her first peacetime Christmas since 1938, when we arrived here a month ago. It seemed this just couldn't be so, because the country had suffered terribly.
Thousands of Britain's finest boys lie overseas and others wear the cruel scars of battle. A host of civilians have been killed or injured by bombs.
Housing conditions are so bad the Britons feel lucky to have a roof over their heads, the food ration is tight, slim and monotonous. Clothing is so scarce that even people of means wear shabby and shabby things.
Still, England is smiling. For the war is over; the bombs no longer take their wicked toll; the long and fearsome nights in bomb-proof shelters are a thing of the past; the lackouts have been lifted. And every day sees another lot of soldier lads come home.
The Christmas spirit is everywhere. London streets are full of folk who are buying as much as possible and tender ration coupons with smiles as they amuse and some of them buy the traditional Santa Claus before whom the small fry stand in fascinated awe, for even if a lad and lass can't buy anything, it surely is their prerogative to take a look on this first peacetime Christmas that many of them have seen.
Mingling in this vast holiday crowd are the housewives with their market bags, smilingly hunting for things they know they aren't likely to find, for there won't be many turkeys or plum puddings this year. They show you what they mean, the Turkish voices of the "waits," singing their carols from door to door in anxious hope that you will be moved by Yuletide cheer to toss them a coin. Just so have the "waits" sung for generations.
So if we have told our story as you will see what we mean by saying that "Christmas is what the heart makes it." Always remember this. And be sure that, on this first Christmas on which our family has been thus separated, we are with you in our dearest thoughts as you are with us, and that other children may have a wonderful Christmas. Ever, Mummy and Dad.

Common Ground

By R. C. HOLLES
The Dam Illustration of Inflation
To attempt to prove a principle by a metaphor or an example is always dangerous. As the great economist, Bastiat, remarked, "Oh, Metaphor! to what extremes may you not lead us if only we consent."
The defenders of planned economy like to contend that price ceilings and rationing serve the same purpose as a dam to protect people living below the dam from floods. They say that the administration has been valiantly trying to keep the dam from breaking; that those who oppose price ceilings and government regulation are a small clique of fellow-wreckers who are trying to dynamite the dam but so far have failed.
While the fact in the matter is that the government has not been trying valiantly to protect the people from inflation. Actually the government itself has been doing the very things that are bound to result in inflation. In building a dam that cannot withstand the pressure back of it. It is for that reason only that the government officials have been trying to build a dam higher and higher.
Now if we carry the metaphor farther, the government has been diverting water into the valley that was never intended to run in the valley. Besides this, it has been clearing the slopes of underbrush and trees so that the rains pour down and deluge the people living in the valley.
No wonder the government is worried and wants to build the dam higher and higher—more and more restrictions—when it is doing the very things that will destroy the people in the valley. The way the government has been filling this dam is by telling the people for years that men need not live by the sweat of their brow; that the government would tax the rich and give the great mass of people of the responsibility of paying for the benefits they receive from the government.
Now the government officials find it is impossible to get enough money to pay the costs of government so they have filled the country with watered credit and currency. The cloudburst of billions of check-book money and billions of new currency (five or six times the normal amount of both) makes the government as well as everybody else anxious about the future. No wonder the government officials are trying to build a higher dam to stop the damages of their own inflation.
But instead of doing the things that will protect the people in the valley, the government, in fact, is still continuing to sell bonds to the banks. They are still refusing to tell the workers that there is no magical road to Utopia; that there is no possible way of relieving them permanently from paying their proportionate share of government costs on the basis of what they consume.
For years and years and years they have been telling the people that we must tax in proportion to ability to pay, but by their acts they deny putting into action what they still continue to say. Ability to pay is based uniformly as to the proportion of wealth they consume, not progressively as they produce wealth. There is no reason in the world why any man should be taxed for producing wealth on furnishing tools for making it possible for everybody to live better and to be able to defend our country against oppression.
Yet the government for years has been telling the people that ability to pay meant not in proportion as a man consumed but had the benefit of production, but pro-

In Hollywood

By ERSKINE JOHNSON
NEA Staff Correspondent
HOLLYWOOD. — George Raft returned to Hollywood from New York the other day after making personal appearances with his latest film, "Johnny Angel." His pal, Mack Gray, says the trip didn't cost Raft a cent. This answer was: "Did you ever play gin rummy with George Raft?"
Two studios are bidding for film rights to Errol Flynn's book, "The Showdown." The price is up to \$80,000. Maureen O'Hara's younger sister, Margot FitzSimons, is playing the ingenue role in a new British picture, "I Know Where I'm Going." Olivia de Havilland's latest is Capt. John McKeon, and the marriage rumors are flying again.
Hollywood is up to its old miscast tricks again. Joe Kirkwood, Jr., aggressive as he produced—graduated upward. It has been telling the voters that it is profitable to rob without injuring those doing the robbing. But in the long run, as Emerson said, "The thief steals from himself." The inflation is the result of this collective robbery by the government.
Now the government is using another fake method of protecting the public (price ceilings and rationing), while it is continuing to make prices go up. It is still pouring more and more water into the valley and trying to build the dam higher and higher. But it never can build the dam high enough long as it continues to pour more water—more credit—into the valley.
Government officials are not valiantly fighting to prevent inflation; they are doing the very things that are sure eventually to bring about a great break in the dam that will impoverish everybody.
Snow makes fine insulation.

U. S. Naval Leader

HORIZONTAL
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Answer to Previous Puzzle

SIX ANSWERS ARE: TARN BOYS BRIDE
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Complaints

Messrs. Reuther and Addes assailed President Thomas, asserting that any opening of the parts and accessories plants would jeopardize the whole fight for higher wages in the automobile steel and other industries. The more radical secretary-treasurer unloaded charges and complaints which he had been hoarding for months.
The Thomas group blamed Reuther for his staging of a strike at this time. They argued that G. M. was quite happy to be shut down because of the expiration of certain taxes on December 31, 1945.
They pointed out that the automobile plant which had been closed by calling a strike in such a bottleneck factory as that of its glass providers. Such words as "dumbbells" and "underheads" were tossed back and forth.

Out

The emotional and harassed Mr. Thomas was not to fear. He is in the arguments seemed about to square off. Bitter feelings that had been suppressed in this overgrown and expanding union flowed to the surface.
Then the President chose this moment to advance his scheme for avoiding or settling disputes. His intervention overshadowed the question of who wrote the letter and why. It gave each controversialist an out. From denouncing Mr. Thomas and Mr. Connelly, they turned to a united attack on the White House.
Note: General Motors' publicity department lost no time in letting interested parties know of this schism in the ranks of their opponents, as well as their willingness to use the White House program as a pretext for staving off serious internal disagreements.

Poles Outnumbered By Danzig Germans

GDANSK (Danzig), Poland.—(AP)—Despite the fact that large numbers have departed for western Germany, Germans still outnumber Poles in this former "free city of Danzig."
Polish statistics show there are 239,000 Germans in Gdansk province compared to 207,000 Poles. Germans have evacuated 10,026 farms in the country which are to be settled by Poles.
A special tribunal ruled that Gustav Beckman, former owner of a German razor-blade factory and a fine villa, must turn over to the widow of Polish fighter Frackiewicz \$7,000; to his two daughters, \$3,000 each and an annual pension; to the widow of Polish prospector Doctor Beitkowski, \$5,000, and to his daughter, \$3,000 and an annual pension.
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Snowflake patterns are preserved now by a plastic process.

Nazi Spy Must Aid Wins of His Victims

WARSAW, Poland.—(AP)—A German spy accused of giving information that caused the killing of two prominent Poles must pay reparations to their relatives as well as face a trial for his life in Poland.
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Report On the War

Biennial Report of the Chief of Staff of the U. S. Army 1943 to 1945, to the Secretary of War
Published by NEA Service, Inc., in co-operation with the War Department
This is the 37th of 42 installments of material selected from General Marshall's report on the winning of World War II.
XXXVII
TOWARD FINAL VICTORY
With victory just within his grasp, the Tenth Army Commander, General Buckner, was forward with his assault infantry, observing the progress of this final drive to clean up the island (Okinawa) on 18 June. An enemy artillery salvo squarely bracketed his observation post, and General Buckner died a soldier's death a few minutes later. This splendid leader was replaced by General Joseph W. Stilwell, then Commander of the Army Ground Force. The Tenth Army Commander was given to General Jacob L. Devers, the veteran commander of the Southern Group of Eisenhower's Armies.
General Buckner had won his battle. Within three days of his death, all organized resistance had ceased on Okinawa, our first strategic base within the shadow of the Japanese homeland.
The 9th Australian Division on 10 June made an unopposed landing at Brunei Bay, in northwest Borneo, seizing the naval anchorage and airfields. By overland and amphibious operations the Australians quickly drove south to important oilfields at Seria and Muri. The establishment of air and naval facilities at Brunei Bay, combined with those in the Philippines, completed a chain of mutually supporting strategic bases from which Allied air and naval forces could cover the Asiatic coast from Singapore to Shanghai, interdicting the enemy's overland communications and escape routes in Indo-China and Malaya.
Meanwhile, General Krueger began the final operations against the Japanese on Luzon when the 37th Division drove northward from Balete Pass into the Cagayan Valley. North of Baguio, our forces met stiff resistance from Japanese remnants who had gathered for a last stand among the precipitous mountains. Further

General Marshall

The day of final reckoning for a treacherous enemy was at hand.
New Commands
By direction of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General MacArthur assumed command of all United States Army Forces in the Pacific on April 6. Both he and Admiral Nimitz, Commander of Naval Forces in the Pacific, were directed to prepare for the final operations against Japan. By June General MacArthur had created a new command known as the United States Army Forces in the Western Pacific under Lt. Gen. W. D. Styer to replace the old Southwest Pacific Area. General Richard S. Ewell was designated Commander of the Army Forces of the Middle Pacific.
On 10 July the Joint Chiefs of Staff ordered another revision of the Pacific Command.
The formerly China-based 20th and 21st Bomber Commands were deactivated. The 21st became the 20th Air Force and the personnel of the 20th Bomber Command was transferred to the Eighth Air Force, which had been redeployed from Europe. General Twining, who had started in the Pacific war with the 13th Air Force in the Solomons, later moved to command of the 15th Air Force in Italy, was given command of the 20th Air Force. General Doolittle retained command of the 8th.
Both Air Forces which now controlled the mightiest fleet of super-bombers ever assembled, were combined into the U. S. Strategic Air Force, the Command which controlled the American Air assault on Germany. General Spaatz retained command of USSTAF in the Pacific. General Giff became his deputy. General LeMay, who once had commanded the B-29 fleet in China, then built up the super-fortress attack in the Pacific, became his Chief of Staff.
Strategic control of the super-fortress fleet remained with the Joint Chiefs of Staff with General Arnold as their agent.
(NEXT: Surrender of Japan)

Gracie Reports

By GRACIE ALLEN
Consolidated News Features
Well, George and I have received quite a stack of Christmas mail and have loved every bit of it, except one thing. The Internal Revenue department sent us an income-tax blank. Somehow it didn't seem to be in keeping with the spirit of the season.
Naturally, at this time of the year you like to give to those you love, but there's nobody in the revenue business that I know by name and from the tone of their message I think they expect a little more than a potted plant or a nice embroidered handkerchief.
If they had to send out their blanks now they might at least have tried to give them a Christmas look. Like a picture of Uncle Sam with a club in his hand waiting for Santa Claus to come down the chimney, for instance.

OFFICE CAT

Housewife (to beggar)—You seem to be an able-bodied man. You ought to be strong enough to be earning a living.
Beggar—I know, ma'am, and you seem to be beautiful enough to go on the stage, but evidently you prefer the simple life.
Housewife—Step into the kitchen and I'll see if I can't fix you a good meal.
The timid guest was being shown to his bed in the haunted room by his host's faithful but rather sinister servant.
Guest (venturing)—B-b-y the way, has anything—er—unusual happened in connection with this room?
Servant (hollowly)—Not for over 50 years.
Guest (with a sigh of relief)—And what happened then?
Servant—Why, a gentleman who spent the night here appeared for breakfast the next morning.
Were all the wasted motion and duplicated effort eliminated, the typical Washington bureau could get along with half its present working force without imposing any extra duties on a single employe.—San Antonio, Tex., News.
The big catch in all the talk about international atomic bomb control is that no one has yet come forward with any concrete ideas as to how it can be done.—Wilkes-Barre, Pa., News.

Peter Edson's Column: CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF POLITICAL KIDDING

By PETER EDSON
NEA Washington Correspondent
WASHINGTON.—The republican national committee recently started issuing a series of handy little pocket-sized leaflets telling what a lousy job of running the country these democrats have been doing. The strategy is not particularly new. It is the same line the democratic national committee worked on poor old Herbert Hoover 15 years ago. It worked then it might work again.
Every once in a while, however, the republicans hit on subjects that the democrats also have put out some propaganda on. Comparisons of these statements make pretty interesting reading because they're so different and because they lead only to the conclusion that somebody must be kidding. It wouldn't do to say who in bold bad type, but maybe by putting the two statements in the same column, the gentle reader will be able to draw his own conclusions and get mad enough to do something about it. Here, therefore, are exhibits A and B.
Exhibit A is an excerpt from a report by the Hon. Thomas A. Jenkins of Fronto, Ohio, chairman of the republican congressional food study committee, entitled "War-Time Food Mismanagement."
TYRANNY, SAYS REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE
Mr. Jenkins—"The entire new deal philosophy has been one of unfair restrictions and limitations upon the farmer, businessman and consumer which has resulted in shortages and scarcity. Especially has this

Considerable Amount of Political Kidding

been true with reference to food.
"No history of World War II will be complete without the story of food. When the impartial historian writes that history the story of the tyranny of federal food authorities, particularly the OPA, the trials and tribulations of the American housewife in her efforts to secure food for her family, and the almost universal prevalence of black markets, with their astronomical high prices, will so shock his sense of fairness that his pen will move with easy facility to acquaint future generations with the fact that the great American nation, which showed such great superiority in all fields of warfare and brought complete victory, permitted the administration of food problems to dangerously disturb the morale of her people."
"The natural instincts of men and nations when in a desperate fight for their lives is to employ every resource of strength and strategy at their command. Not so the new deal. It continued to adhere to its discredited philosophy of scarcity." And so forth.
Now you come to Exhibit B. It is made up of excerpts from a recent speech by Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson. It was not given as a reply to Congressman Jenkins, and it isn't a complete answer. But keep in mind what he had to say about scarcity while reading what Secretary Anderson has to say.
MIRACLE, SAYS AGRICULTURE SECRETARY
Secretary Anderson—"Personal-

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KPDN 1340 on Your Dial MONDAY

- 7:30-The Publisher Speaks. 7:45-Tom Mix-MBS. 8:00-Dance Music. 8:30-Captain Midnight-MBS. 8:45-Dance Music. 9:00-Fulton Lewis, Jr.-MBS. 9:15-Rhyme Time-MBS. 9:30-Arthur Hale-MBS. 9:45-Inside of Sports-MBS. 10:00-Adven. of Bulldog Drummond-MBS. 10:15-Dance of Sherlock Holmes-MBS. 10:30-Real Stories from Real Life-MBS. 10:45-Spotlight Hands-MBS. 10:50-Roadie's Radio Auction Show-MBS. 10:55-Detect-A-Tune-MBS. 11:00-All The News-MBS. 11:15-Hal Alama's Orch.-MBS. 11:30-Duke Ellington's Orch.-MBS. 11:45-Mutual Reports the News-MBS. 11:50-Goodnight.

JOHNNIES HIGH-NOTE



Dan, Karl and Jack Landt reach for a high note during rehearsal of "Take It Easy Time" heard weekdays over Mutual. The tuneful Song Chords dispense rhythm and recipes on their noonday luncheon broadcasts aided with novelty numbers by Frank Novak's Dinettes Ensemble.

- TUESDAY ON KPDD 7:00-Yawn Patrol. 7:15-Johnny Betts. 7:45-Songs by Glenn Bennett. 8:00-Fraser Hunt-MBS. 8:15-Shady Valley Folks-MBS. 8:30-Shady Valley-MBS. 8:45-Moment of Melody. 9:00-News for Women-MBS. 9:15-Faith in Our Town-MBS. 9:30-Fun With Music-MBS. 9:45-Fun With Music-MBS. 10:00-Cecil Brown-MBS. 10:15-Zales Christmas Greeting. 10:30-Take It Easy Time-MBS. 11:00-William Lane, News-MBS. 11:15-Morton Downey-MBS. 11:30-Christmas Story, Loretta Young. 11:45-LaNora Inquiring Reporter. 12:00-Parsley Program. 12:15-Lam and Abner. 12:30-Paula Stone and Phil Brito-MBS. 12:45-John J. Anthony-MBS. 1:00-Cedric Foster-MBS. 1:15-Jane Cowi-MBS. 1:30-Queen for Today-MBS. 2:00-Griffin Reporting-MBS. 2:15-Palmer House Concert Orchestra-MBS. 2:30-Remember-MBS. 2:45-Off The Record. 3:00-Beskin Johnson-MBS. 3:15-The Johnson Family-MBS. 3:30-Mutual's Melody Hour-MBS. 4:00-"Here's How"-MBS. 4:15-Superman-MBS. 4:30-Christmas Music.

Tonight on Networks NBC-10:30 p.m. Drama "Crickets on the Hearth." CBS-10:30 Annual Repeat of Norman Corwin's "Plot to Overthrow Christmas." ABC-7:30 Ben Hecht Drama "Miracle of a Bum." 9:34 Christmas Eve at Birmingham General Hospital, Hollywood: Midnight, St. Louis Cathedral, Midnight Mass, MBS-9:15 Handel's "Messiah." 11 p.m. St. Patrick's Cathedral, N. Y., Midnight Mass.

FOR CHRISTMAS DAY NBC-11:30 a.m. Christmas Around the World; 3 Christmas Concert Hour. CBS-3 Bob Hope, Red Skelton, Jack Benny, and others in two-hour show. ABC-11:30 Overseas Servicemen's Talks to Folks At Home. MBS-9:15 GI Christmas Reunion Around the World.

More Christmas Eve Shows: NBS-8 Frank Morgan in "Names on the Land." 8:30 Information Please. 9:50 I. Q. Quiz. CBS-8:30 (repeat) 9:30 Bob Hawk Quiz; 7:30 Joan Davis; 9 Fanny Brice.

Additional Christmas Programs: NBC-10 Fred Waring's Xmas; 1:45 p.m. Hymns of All Churches; 7 Barry Wood, Cornelia Olla Skinner; 7:30 Date With Judy; 8 Alma and Andy Repeat of "Lord's Prayer." 8:30 Fibber McGee; 9 Bob Hope; 9:30 Red Skelton. CBS-8 Inner Sanctum, Helen Hayes in "Littlest Angel." ABC-8 a.m. Breakfast Club; 6:30 Green Hornet; 8 Guy Lombardo; MBS-11:15 Morton Downey Show; 7:30 The Falcon.

Christmas Costumes Come From Many Lands



CHRISTMAS DAY-The name originally was "Christes Masse" -Christ's mass or the church festival of His birth. The exact date of His birth is unknown, and it was celebrated on various dates until 354 A. D. when the Bishop of Rome started observing it on Dec. 25.



GIVING OF GIFTS-"God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son." At Twelfth Night, the three wise men from Jerusalem found the Christ-child in Bethlehem and "presented unto him gifts: gold, and frankincense and myrrh." Since then, His followers have marked the season with a general exchange of gifts. Gift-giving was also a feature of the greatest of pagan festivals, celebration of the Winter Solstice, which coincides with the Christmas season. In Scandinavia this sun festival is known as Jul or Yule, hence our "Yuletide."



YULE LOG-A bonfire, or ceremonial burning of a huge log, was featured in ancient festivals that marked the earth's progress around the sun, especially the Yule rites in Scandinavia, England and North Germany. The Yule log gradually became part of Christmas.



CHRISTMAS TREE-Few people realize that the Christmas tree, as we know it, came to England as recently as Queen Victoria's reign. Albert, her prince consort, is credited with introducing this charming custom to the English. The practice of decorating a fir tree and lighting it with candles was an old German one. Other festive, Christmas greens, such as holly, ivy and bay, date back to ancient Saxons religious rites. Mistletoe goes back to the Druids of England and in the early English Christian church was used as a symbol of peace and goodwill.



SANTA CLAUS-This is an American corruption of "San Nicolaas," the Dutch form of St. Nicholas, patron saint of children. St. Nicholas Day, Dec. 6, is still celebrated in Holland with many customs associated with Christmas. On St. Nicholas' Eve, Dutch youngsters put out their big wooden shoes, filled with grain for his reindeer. He is supposed to come in the night, take the grain and replace it with gifts. St. Nicholas Day customs, brought to America by early Dutch colonists, soon became part of the general Christmas observance.

Italian POW's Future Discussed

CAPTOWN.-(AP)-The future of Italian prisoners of war, many of whom wish to remain in South Africa, is the subject of widespread discussion in Capetown newspapers. Farmers, particularly grape growers in Cape Province, want to retain the Italians, and at least 5,000 have said they would like to stay. The government is considering the advisability of allowing a number of selected prisoners to settle here and defense headquarters has been instructed to ask all POW camp commandants to obtain reports from employers on the prisoners' work, general deportment and capabilities.

An increased food supply predicted for 1946 by the U. S. department of agriculture is expected to reduce retail prices about five percent.

Local Theaters Offer Varied Movie Bill of Fare for Holiday Enjoyment



Ed Gardner, as Archie, holds a telephone conversation, with Ann Thomas as the interested listener, in this scene from "Duffy's Tavern."

By SCOTT RAFFERTY There's nothing like a nap or a movie to follow up a big Christmas dinner, but personally, we'll take the movie. It must be our insomnia.

The local flicker houses have a nice bill-of-fare all lined up for Christmas day with everything and everybody from Betty Hutton to the East Side Kids.

Starting with the LaNora, it's Archie (Himself) Gardner with 32 "monstrous" stars in "Duffy's Tavern," a little dish of Paramount whipped up.

The newspaper shortage won't allow us to tell you much about it but there's Bing Crosby, who's been called "Sinatra at the age of 40," Betty Hutton, who's been called but the line was busy, Paulette Goddard, Alan Ladd, Dorothy Lamour (we can't stand her), Eddie Bracken, Brian Donlevy, Sonny Tufts, Veronica Lake, Barry Fitzgerald, Cass Daley, who wishes somebody would call her, Diana Lynn, Victor Moore, Marjorie Reynolds, Barry Sullivan and practically everybody else on the Paramount lot but Duffy himself, who's probably over at Warner's negotiating for a contract.

Archie steals the show all the way through and its one of the best super-starrers to come out. Down at the Rex it's one of those Monogram flickers in which the East Side Kids fight anybody they can get their hands on. The name of it is "Bowery Champs" and the word is spelled with an "A."

All the old gang is there, including Leo Gorcey, Huntz Hall, Gabriel Dell, Billy Benedict and Bobby Jordan.

One of the funniest pictures in years is Warner's "Pillow to Post," showing at the Crown.

A cast that includes Ida Lupino, William (Objective Burma) Prince and Sidney Greenstreet is

nobody had the foggiest idea of what "atomic bombs" would do to the world's thinking processes. Few persons knew the locations of places like Iwo Jima and Okinawa. The No. 1 men in Washington and London were Franklin D. Roosevelt and Winston Churchill. Americans carried tattered ration books to the stores and handed over coupons for such things as meat, canned goods and butter. As yet unchristened, if not unborn, were jelly bombs and "discharge points" for servicemen. The world still had Hitler, Mussolini, Quisling, Lav, Goebbels and Himmler in it.

OLDEST GOVERNOR MADISON, Wis., Dec. 22-(AP)-Wisconsin's chief executive, Walter S. Goodland, oldest man ever elected governor in the nation, observed his 83rd birthday by working as usual at his desk in the state capitol today.

Tiny nylon-insulated coils for telephone headsets withstand heat and cold better than any other type.

NOTICE OF WAREHOUSEMAN'S SALE, JANUARY 15, 1946. Whereas, the parties listed below did deliver to the undersigned as warehouseman for storage, and

Whereas, at least 10 days prior hereto, the undersigned has given notice as required by law to these parties to come forward and pay storage charges on the said goods, and

Whereas, the parties have failed to comply with such notice. Now, therefore, in compliance with Article 5644 of the 1925 Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, we will sell the said property on the 15th day of January, 1946, beginning at 9 a. m. at our warehouse at 916 West Brown street, Pampa, Texas, at a public auction following the manner of sale under execution to satisfy our warehouseman's lien for storage together with all charges accruing from this date and the cost of sale. And we will apply the proceeds of such sale to the payment of all said charges, balance (if there be any) to be delivered over to person rightfully entitled thereto.

Mr. Fred Brownlee-six (6) cartons, contents unknown. Mrs. Theresia Garrison-one (1) sewing machine and one (1) radio. Mrs. H. W. Woods-two (2) cartons and one (1) wood barrel, contents unknown.

Mrs. Estella Purvis-one (1) trunk, contents unknown. Mr. R. H. Hargett-household goods and personal effects. Mrs. H. F. Graham-one (1) large wood box, one (1) barrel and one (1) cedar chest, contents unknown.

Witness the signature of Pampa Transfer and Storage Co. by its owner on this 24th day of December, 1945. C. A. REILLY, Owner, Pampa Transfer and Storage Co. 916 West Brown.

Dec. 24, 30, and Jan. 4.

Texas Today

By JACK RUTLEDGE 'Tis the day before Christmas, and all through the state-Sheriff Kermit Waters of Childress county received an elaborately wrapped box.

I was, a card said, a gift from county employes. He removed layer after layer of paper, found his own pistol which friends had "borrowed" from his office earlier in the day.

"Dear Santa Claus" a classified ad in a Dallas paper read. It was a unique plea from a serviceman and his wife for an apartment.

What Mrs. Jordan A. Walker of Kilgore wants in her stocking tomorrow, she says, is her husband, Major Walker. The major has arrived in the states but was being held up in a West coast city because of transportation difficulties.

Transportation in Texas is being taxed to the limit today by thousands of veterans rushing home, many for their first Christmas with relatives in years. Highways are lined with hitchhikers who have found railroads, planes and buses too crowded to carry them.

Robert C. Martin of Littlefield

Parking for Love-Of a Duck Dinner

NEW ORLEANS.-(AP)-Now it can be told-how that most rationing's over. Superintendent George Douglas of Audubon park revealed the methods of meat-hungry New Orleansians used to lure 250 ducks from the

received an unexpected Christmas gift from an unexpected source. His car was taken from a Dallas parking lot, was later found abandoned at Hearne, Texas. Plinned to the steering wheel were two five dollar bills and a note saying, "Please don't think hard of me. This will help get you back."

Martin, dumbfounded, told police to peek with the car, rush me the \$10. The Christmas spirit has hit Dallas county's 1,500 fathers who are paying court-assessed child support funds as a result of divorce.

Most fathers, who are paying anywhere from \$5 to \$100 a week, doubled or tripled the amounts during Christmas so the tots wouldn't be overlooked by Santa Claus.

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park's ornamental lagoon during the last two years. A car would be parked in the shadows of the live oaks, the door left open, a trail of bread strewn to the bank. Before the park watchman had completed a round a duck would have accepted the invitation, the car door would have slammed and another Muscovy or Pekin would be on his way to the skillet. Selective as all New Orleansians are in matters of food, the duck-nappers picked these tastiest breeds, Douglas said. Even though rationing has ended, he's handing the remaining 500 ducks.

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Scotties Get 'Home Field' Advantage in Title Clash

Layne Is Texas Spark for Bowl

AP Newsfeatures
AUSTIN.—It was a happy day for the University of Texas when blond Bobby Layne returned from the merchant marine. The Longhorns were sputtering and despairing. They had just taken a 7-6 licking from the four-times-beaten Rice Owls and you could have sold their chances at the Southwest Conference football championship for approximately 30 cents.

Then Layne, with only a few days practice, stepped into the breach. The shortest distance between two points, mused Bobby, is a straight line. So he hit the air lines.

Today Texas is preparing for its third Cotton Bowl game in four years. The Longhorns meet Missouri in the Dallas gridiron classic Jan. 1.

Layne is the heart and soul of a Texas team that needed a spark to ignite it into power. Bobby lit the fuse.

His passing brought victory over Southern Methodist, Baylor and Texas Christian and proved the clincher in the championship battle with Texas A. and M.

But the 185-pound 18-year-old Layne is not just a passer. He is rated by Coach D. X. Bible as one of the smartest quarterbacks ever to step on a Southwestern gridiron, is a fine runner and a clever punter.

The Texas line is terrific. It held ten opponents this season to 813 yards on the ground. Helping out plenty, too, was Jack Halfpenny and others of the top line-backing brigade.

All-America Hubert Bechtol and Dale Schwarkopf man the ends. They are great pass-receivers and Bechtol is an iron man in defense.

Two of the largest tackles in football boost the ponderous Longhorn forward wall. One of them, Jimmy Plyler, 240, is a great punter. During the campaign just closed he averaged 38.7 yards on 49 boots. The other forward is huge Harlan Wetzel, 280-pounder who has spanned to with his bulk and power.

Guards are Sam Callan, a freshman rated with the best in the

National Leaguers Lose Third Game in Five Hawaii Start

HONOLULU, Dec. 24.—(AP)—The Navy Allstars handed the touring USO-National League Allstars their third baseball defeat in five games with Hawaii-based service men, 8-7, tonight.

The navy jumped into a seven run lead in the first two innings against Ralph Branca, Brooklyn Dodger thrower. A homer by two aboard in the second inning by navy's Ken Keltner, former Cleveland Indian ace, topped the explosion.

The Nationals scored five runs in the seventh. Tom Brown, Brooklyn Dodger, sparked the rally with a homer.

Keaton Returning to Howard Payne College

BROWNWOOD, Tex., Dec. 24.—(AP)—Howard Payne college officials announced the return of McAdoo Keaton as head coach and athletic director.

Keaton is expected to resume his duties Jan. 1 after an absence of three years during which the college here discontinued athletics. He has been an assistant coach since last year at Southern Methodist university at Dallas.

conference, and Dave Green, 180-pound batter.

One of the outstanding stars is Dick Harris, freshman center. He is only 17 but plays like a veteran. Along with the "lift" given Texas by the return of Layne was the home-coming of Ralph Ellsworth, who played with Navy last year but decided to go back to Texas to finish his eligibility and education. Ellsworth, a trackman, raced 81 yards to a touchdown against A. and M.

Halfpenny, Layne, Ellsworth, George Graham, Joe Bill Baumgardner and Art Sweet are the regular backs with little Byron Gilroy, a speed merchant, breaking into the lineup frequently.

Texas was a team that could ride along with favoritism and come through—which is quite a feat in this hurly-burly Southwest Conference.

Cleopatra beheaded the bearers of bad tidings, not because their words were false, but because they weren't.

The Einstein formula that matter can be converted into energy completely was not experimentally proven until 27 years after it was propounded in 1905.

Early-Season Score, Site of Game Give Highland Park Nod

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF
Associate Press Sports Editor

Highland Park of Dallas and Waco, whose season records indicate little if any difference in strength, will clash at Dallas Saturday in the twenty-sixth Texas schoolboy football championship game.

Even when these teams met in early season they were as close as a Junior high school boy's first shave. Highland Park won 7-0 but the fans were not sure the Scotties were the better team.

Nothing else has happened during the campaign to denote that one is materially stronger than the other. Against mutual foes—Waxahachie and Marshall—they showed to be smart, hard-fighting, strong-blocking and balanced offensive outfits, each much on the order of the other.

Highland Park probably will be rated a paper edge favorite because it is undefeated, holds a victory over Waco and will be playing at home. But the points are due to be mighty close.

Dallas became the site of the state final game for the thirteenth time yesterday when the coaches—Eck Curtis of Highland Park and Harry Stiteler of Waco—met at Italy and flipped a coin. Stiteler called the toss and lost.

Highland Park rolled into the finals Saturday by beating Wichita Falls 18-0. Waco got there by edging Goose Creek 7-0.

"Highland Park probably will beat us," said Stiteler, "but they'll know they've been in a ball game."

Curtis smilingly agreed with a statement by Stiteler, a long-time friend, that "we won't beat them more than three touchdowns. Yes, we certainly won't."

Highland Park has won 12 games and tied one, adding up 461 points to 45 for the opposition. Waco has won 12 and lost one, spring 343 points to 51.

Two powerful lines will clash at Owenby stadium at Southern Methodist university, site of the game expected to draw the 21,000 capacity of the field. Highland Park's forward wall averages 175½ pounds, Waco's shows 170.1. The Scot backfield outweighs Waco's materially, however, averaging 174 to 153.7. In the overall average Highland Park carries a 175-pound team and Waco 164.1.

The price of admission will be \$2 for reserved seats, \$1.25 for general admission, 50 cents for students and \$3 for boxes. The gate may equal that at Fort Worth Saturday when there was a gross of around \$27,000—the largest take for a schoolboy football game in Texas history.

Coch Stiteler said he would arrive with his squad by bus Saturday morning. He announced that his team was in better physical condition than for the past two games with only one regular out with illness.

The 20-yard penetration rule will not be in effect in the title game. If the teams tie they will be co-champions.

Both coaches have had long careers tutoring high school teams. Curtis has been at it for 21 years—three at Anson, Texas, six at Ennis, and one at Highland Park. In that period Curtis has had one team in the quarter-finals, one in the semi-finals and now one in the finals. His Anson team won the state class B championship in 1926. Stiteler has been coaching 14 years—two at Bellville, four at Smithville, four at Corpus Christi and four at Waco. He had teams in the quarter-finals in 1938, 1940, 1943 and 1944. In the semi-finals in 1938, 1940 and this year. His 1938 Corpus Christi team won the championship.

Results of past state championships games:

- 1920—Cleburne 0, Houston Heights 0 (Tie).
- 1921—Bryan 35, Oak Cliff (Dallas) 13.
- 1922—Waco 13, Abilene 10.
- 1923—Abilene 3, Waco 0.
- 1924—Oak Cliff 31, Waco 0.
- 1925—Waco 26, Forest (Dallas) 7.
- 1926—Waco 20, Oak Cliff 7.
- 1927—Waco 21, Abilene 14.
- 1928—Abilene 38, Fort Arthur 0.
- 1929—Port Arthur 0, Breckenridge 0 (Tie).
- 1930—Tyler 25, Amarillo 13.
- 1931—Abilene 13, Beaumont 0.
- 1932—Corsicana 0, Masonic Home (Fort Worth) 0 (Corsicana won on penetrations).
- 1934—Greenville 21, Dallas Tech 0.
- 1934—Amarillo 48, Corpus Christi 0.
- 1935—Amarillo 13, Greenville 7.
- 1936—Amarillo 19, Kerville 6.
- 1937—Longview 19, Wichita Falls 12.
- 1938—Corpus Christi 20, Lubbock 6.
- 1939—Lubbock 20, Waco 14.
- 1940—Amarillo 20, Temple 7.
- 1941—Wichita Falls 13, Temple 0.
- 1942—Austin 26, Sunset (Dallas) 7.
- 1943—San Angelo 28, Lufkin 13.
- 1944—Port Arthur 20, Highland Park (Dallas) 7.

Guests of Honor in An Empty Stable—On Human Kindness

The following story, entitled "Guests of Honor in an Empty Stable," a message on human kindness, was written by the Rev. Russell S. West, pastor of the Church of the Brethren, Pampa.

Old Casper, the Inn keeper of Bethlehem, had been up since early morning and had been busy all day long. A decree had gone out from Casper Augustus that all the Bethlehem should be rolled for a new taxation, and every man was compelled to report back to the city of his birth. The little town of Bethlehem, that ancient city of David, was therefore crowded to capacity.

Old Casper's Inn was a lovely place. It occupied the main hilltop of the city, and was constructed in the form of a circle surrounding a spacious courtyard. In the center of this courtyard, on cold winter evenings, a friendly fire was always burning. Darkness had settled in and the night was cold and clear. Old Casper, and his good wife, Hanna, were seated by the fireside, resting and talking before turning in for the night.

The old Inn was almost full. Out through the back gate, and down under the hillside was a long row of stables built into the face of the hill. Here Casper had stabled the beasts of burden and supplied them with provender for the night. The Inn was quiet. The many guests were weary from their journeys and their crude lights had gone out early.

Only two rooms in the large Inn were open—rooms number seven and fourteen. Since number seven was considered by many to be sacred, old Casper and his wife had reserved that number for their own quarters. It was a large and spacious room overlooking the beautiful valley toward the sunrise. Through the long years it had been richly furnished, and for that day and time it would have been considered a piece of comfort and luxury. Across the courtyard westward was room fourteen. Though not so large or richly furnished, it was especially set apart for their most honored guest.

Early in the morning of this memorable day the good wife had said to her husband: "Casper, today the descendants of David will be returning to our city. You know, I have a strange feeling that before this day is over Jehovah is going to send us some unusual visitor." There fore, as the day wore on they studied their callers with the utmost care. Long before nightfall, however, the Inn was full. Only one guest room was left vacant.

Along about sunset a high-ranking knight of the Roman Legion had applied for admission, but he was politely sent on his way to Jerusalem. Then came a wealthy merchant from the city of Joffa, but after a friendly interview, he likewise was sent on his way. And thus it was with many others, until, among the rich and mighty, who knocked at the gate for admission. As the old couple sat thus by the fireside talking and wondering if after all they had acted wisely, they heard a gentle tapping at the southern entrance.

Old Casper responded quickly. As he opened the gate he saw a young man standing by the side of a disheveled donkey. Instantly he was sized up by the experienced eye of old Casper as being a western scholar. "I am Luke, the Greek physician," said the caller. "I am on my way to the city of Damascus. The roadways are crowded with people today and I have been overmuch delayed by errands of mercy. I had hoped, Sir, to make my way to the city of Jerusalem for the night, but this burro is already exhausted and I am compelled to seek for lodging."

"The Inn is somewhat crowded," said Casper. "Before giving you a final answer it will be necessary for me to speak with my wife."

Almost immediately the Inn keeper was back at the gate, smiling. "Come on in, Sir," said Casper. "We have heard from the lips of many a traveler about your concern for the poor and needy, your many acts of kindness and mercy. It will be an honor to have you with us for the night. And now while my good wife shows you to the guest room I shall take your donkey to the stable. Good night, Sir, and may the Lord bless you and give you rest."

"Good night, Sir," said the doctor, as he moved off with sturdy strides toward room fourteen. The Inn was full.

When old Casper returned from the stables he found again with Hanna at the fireside. "I told you, Casper," said Hanna, "that Jehovah was going to send us some unusual visitor. How happy I am that we kept the guest room waiting. Everybody in the country has heard of the success and fame of this good physician, and even though he is not a real descendant of David, he is without doubt a great man of God."

"Yes, I also feel happy about the room," said Casper. "I notice that his light as gone out already. He must have been very weary from his journey."

"Do you remember, Casper, how our beloved Abraham and Sarah once entertained some strangers here on these Judean hills, and later found them to be angels of God?"

Nearby all snowflakes are six-sided, as are honey bees' cells.

No Harm in Asking



Sports Round-up

By GAYLE TALBOT
(For Hugh Fullerton, Jr.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—(AP)—It's just a suggestion, but the main body of professional golfers might find it smart in the long run if they made Byron Nelson a Christmas gift of about a half-dozen tractors and a covey of cows for that ranch of his in North Texas. The initial cost would be high, but there is the chance that Nelson would be so wrapped up in his own possessions that he would plumb forget about three or four of the big money tournaments this winter and let the other boys divvy up the prizes.

A letter writer to Jimmy Powers' column in the News drops this in the Xmas stocking: "New York basketball fans booed Arkansas players each time they took the floor, trying to upset the shooter. These jeers were made by subway alumni desperately going to any length to protect a bet. N. Y. U. came away with a one-point victory, although Arkansas is the superior team. The N. Y. U. players, out of courtesy, might have held their hands up for silence. So might the officials of the Garden announcer. But this did not happen. No wonder these clean-cut college boys from the southwest, the middle west, the south and other sections who are used to playing before sportsmanlike student and co-ed crowds are disgusted with the New Yorkers' avil think we are all money-hungry, hoirish, discourteous toots."

Lt. Bill Sullivan, Jr., leaves Annapolis, Jan. 1 to take over his new job as public relations man for the Boston Braves. We record this not only because Sullivan did a good job as navy publicity director during the war, but because his new position is, so far as we know, unique in baseball. For the most part, big league clubs have depended upon their road secretaries to pass out little dribbles of news there might be and to preside generally as hosts to the press. Some of them have done a conspicuously good job, too. Eddie Brannick, to take the classic example, probably has created more goodwill for the Giants than any other man. But the Braves, surprised when new money decided they could use a full-time hand in their reconstruction program, and they have told Sullivan to let 'er rip. Nearest thing to Sullivan's job appears to be that just created by the Yankees, through their man, "Red" Patterson, will double as road secretary.

The old racing driver, Ira Vail, has opened a likker store just around the corner out in Port Washington and will be okay as soon as he quits scraping around for the foot feed on the money box. . . . Another old-timer note: Bob Zuppe, the famous coach, and Ernest Hemingway, noted novelist and night club pugilist, met in Havana recently after a lapse of 29 years. Hemingway played on Zuppe's Oak Park, Ill., high school eleven in 1916.

Trojans Will Be Ready for 'Bama

By BILL BECKER
AP Newsfeatures

LOS ANGELES.—Don't let their in-and-out record fool you—those Southern California Trojans are rough, and they figure to be ready for Alabama's Crimson Tide in the Rose Bowl Jan. 1.

It will be the Trojan's ninth time in Pasadena. They've won all eight previous Rose Bowl games.

Alabama, which roared through an undefeated season, has been established—and rightly—as the favorite over the Trojans, who won seven and lost three. But before you give too many points on USC, take a closer look at the Trojans:

They're big, with a line averaging about 205 pounds and a backfield averaging 177. They could field a line averaging 230 and backs around 200. In fact, when tackle John Pelear, 200, is in the lineup, the line average shoots to 212.

Naturally, as the record attests, not all of these behemoths are world-beaters; but, belatedly, many of them are real comers. Some like end Harry Adelman, 190; tackles Jack Musick and John Aguirre, both 200; and guard John Rea, 210, have definitely arrived.

The Trojans have two good centers—Walt McCormick and Joe Bradford, both 215—to throw against the celebrated Vaughn Mancha.

The USC attack features the hard running Ted Tannehill, 185-pound all-coast right half, and the passing of quarterback Veril Lillywhite and Jerry Bowman. Left half Bobby Morris and fullback Roy Cole, both 175-pounders, supply added speed and trickery to Coach Jeff Cravath's T-formation offense.

Tannehill, one of the fastest-starting backs in Trojan history, scored seven touchdowns to lead Pacific coast conference scorers. By coincidence, his first replacement is Terry Ragan, who scored 12 touchdowns at Redlands U to lead all western scorers before Navy-transferring to USC.

Actually, USC wasn't really an in-and-out outfit; the team just suffered a bad midseason slump. The Trojans won their first three, then lost three of their next four, and wound up the season with three convincing wins.

Michigan, Kentucky and Ohio are entitled to refunds and will share in the distribution of the \$25,000,000, the attorney general said.

Individuals eligible for refunds are not required to file any special claim at this time.

Four Southwest Teams Enter Oklahoma City Cage Tourney

By The Associated Press

Five of the seven southwest conference basketball teams will be in action this week, four of them playing in the all-college tournament in Oklahoma City.

Texas and Baylor, leading the practice race with seven and six victories apiece against no defeats, will swing into the Oklahoma City tournament against Pepperdine and Oklahoma A. and M. respectively Wednesday.

Rice, defending conference champion, will clash with Kansas and Texas Christian tackles Oklahoma in other opening games of the all-college meet.

Texas A. and M. goes to San Antonio for four games against service teams Wednesday through Saturday.

Arkansas and Southern Methodist rest this week. Arkansas had planned to play at Oklahoma City but withdrew due to squad injuries and was replaced by Baylor.

Rice took a licking last week in something of an upset, losing to East Texas State 52-44. The Owls had gone through 17 straight games without a defeat until they met the Teachers. They got revenge the next night by toppling East Texas 49-46.

Coaches Promise 'No Holidays' for Sugar Bowl 11's

By EDWARD PAGNAC
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24.—(AP)—The Mississippi Gulf Coast is host today to 72 football players, but the coaches who planned their tour are sure the boys won't have any mid-winter vacation.

Instead, both Jim Pheilan of St. Mary's and Jim Lockbaugh of Oklahoma A. and M. have a full schedule of work ahead before their charges meet in New Orleans' annual Sugar Bowl on New Year's Day.

Lockbaugh wants more work for his boys.

"In three weeks we haven't been able to have a good workout," he moaned today after his team arrived here last night and went straight on, by bus, to Blount's Kessler field where they will train.

A good portion of the squad, he declared, has been the victim of influenza, and the germs knocked out most of his first string.

Pheilan said bad weather and final exams had cramped his boys' style during their last weeks in California. He figures, too, his squad's youthfulness makes more work, and lots of it, necessary.

I have nothing but children to work with," he asserted.

Pheilan, however, gave his boys a look at New Orleans. They attended a special mass, a high school football game, and a party last night before leaving for Edgewater Park Miss. Their practice sessions will be at Gulf Coast Military academy.

A third bowl team was in New Orleans last night. Alabama's crimson tide stopped her for four hours, enroute to the Rose Bowl. A New Orleans physician inspected an ailing jaw on Halfback Lowell Tew and said it was broken. Coach Frank Thomas said the jaw would be wired and he would be on the field New Year's Day.

John J. Anthony Has New 'Hats Off' Angle

It will be "Hats Off" to Dr. Frank Kingdon, the noted educator and commentator, for his never-ending fight to preserve democracy and tolerance, on the Thursday, Dec. 27, broadcast of the "John J. Anthony Program" over the coast-to-coast Mutual network at 12:45 p.m., Pampa time.

Mr. Anthony, in inaugurating the "Hats Off" department as a new feature of his program, plans to honor those people who have made an outstanding contribution to the American way of life. Dr. Kingdon, his first guest, will appear on the program in person to receive the tribute. The program can be heard over KPND, Pampa.

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Officials Named for Houston's Oil Bowl

HOUSTON, Tex., Dec. 24.—(AP)—Officials were named today for the Oil Bowl battle between Georgia and Tulsa in Rice stadium New Year's Day.

Two from the southeast conference are Referee L. L. McMasters of the University of Chicago, and Field Judge T. L. Johnson of Georgia Tech. Two from the Missouri valley and Unipire Clay Van Reen from Bradley Tech and Head Linesman Grady Skillern of Oklahoma.

Nearby all snowflakes are six-sided, as are honey bees' cells.

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Gas Users Might Get Big Refund

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Some 900,000 natural gas users from Texas to Ohio soon may receive part of a \$25,000,000 fund representing excessive rates charged by the Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line company of Kansas City, Mo.

Announcing this, Attorney General Tom C. Clark, said the Eighth circuit court of appeals at Kansas City, Friday, will hear arguments on whether the fund should be distributed to consumers. The court also will be asked to decide how much of the excess charges were paid by the government.

Impounded during the last three years, the fund represents the amount of charges held to be excessive by a United States supreme court decision affirming a rate reduction order made by the federal power commission in September, 1942, Clark said.

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fined by your local sanding com-
pany. Portable equipment. Phone 62.

21--Turkish Baths, Swedish
Massage
LUCILLE'S Bath Clinic will remain closed
for repairs until further notice. Watch for
opening date.

25--Upholstery & Furn. Repair
J. E. BLAND, upholstery and repair
shop, 328 S. Cuyler. Phone 1683. Lovely
line material.

LET US put your furniture in good
shape. We do repair, refinishing and up-
holstery. Gustin Upholstery Shop. Phone
425.

27--Cleaning and Pressing
FOR EXPERT cleaning and pressing take
everything to M. A. Jones, across from
Pampa News. Dresses 50 cents up.

PAUL HA--Tailoring
PAUL HA--Tailoring. Tailor, alteration,
repair. Ladies' suits made from men's
suits. 209 N. Cuyler. Phone 529.

28--Laundering
901 CAMPBELL St. Helpy-Sally Lau-
dry. Rough dry and wet wash. Soft wool.
Phone 2267.

RABBIT and NUBBINS Laundry. Wet
wash service and help your self. Open
7 to 9. 832 W. Foster. Phone 754.

TIE H. & H. Laundry at 538 S. Cuyler.
We do wet wash and rough dry. Phone
1855 Monday through Saturday noon.

29A--Furrier
Mrs. Florence Husband. Ph.
1654. Furrier, 710 N. Sumner

30--Mattresses
AYERS MATTRESS Factory, 817 W. Fos-
ter. Home of Handicraft Mattress. Phone
613.

37--Household Goods
FOR SALE: Five Top Frig. (Whisper) \$57.00.
Six foot General Electric \$57.00. Six foot
Crosley \$69.00. Circulating heater and bev-
erage cooler. 413 Buckler.

FOR SALE: One good washing machine,
one drier with wringer, like new, one
Maytag twin engine, one electric motor.
438 N. Carr. Phone 2072.

Glass mail boxes. Excellent
quality. These make nice
gifts for Christmas or any
time. Radcliff Supply, 112
E. Brown. Phone 1220.

FOR SALE: New Perfection, white enamel,
one oil cook stove. As good as new.
Route 1, J. E. Seitz.

Maytag, Pampa, 520 S. Cuyler.
Phone 644. Home of
Maytag washers and Gibson
Refrigerators. Modernize
your home with a Premier
Water Softener. They are
here. It will save you soap
and time plus conveniences.
We are in the furniture busi-
ness. Shop here and save
money. W. L. Ayers, owner
and manager.

Stephenson - McLaughlin
Furn. Co. Phone 1688
Ice boxes, cane bottom chairs, new and
used oil cook stoves, one large gas cir-
culating heater. Home of Morning Glory
Mattresses.

FOR SALE: Light housekeeping equip-
ment, including stove, bedstead, springs,
bedroom table. Call 1143 or 529 S. Hobart.

Adam's Furniture Exchange
305 S. Cuyler Phone 2090
Many items suitable for Christmas giving
for children adults and the home. We
have good used furniture.

Pampa Home Appliances
119 N. Frost Phone 364
We have a new shipment of gas heaters
priced as low as \$14.50. We have 100
new on display. Beautiful white four-
piece bedroom suite with genuine plate
glass mirrors comparable to prewar con-
struction. Price as low as \$119.50. Platform
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\$17.50.

New 1946 Electrolux vac-
uum cleaners will be avail-
able about Jan. 15. Alot-
ment limited. A. B. Ashmore.
Write Box 20-A, Pampa,
News.

Irwin's, 509 W. Foster. Just
a few table and floor lamps,
mirrors and smokers left,
also a good radio and a used
bicycle. Special prices.

Texas Furniture Co. Specials
Good used lounge chair \$19.55. Bassinet
pad \$8.25. Occasional chair \$7.00. Dresser
and bench \$30.00. Office desk \$15.

38--Musical Instruments
FOR SALE: Cabinet model Zenith radio.
Call 1320J.

Dixie Radio Shop
112 E. Francis Phone 966
If your radio needs repair don't forget,
we give 24 hour service and guarantee all
work and parts for 30 days.

FOR SALE: Whelan, handmade by E. A.
Sennett, Los Angeles. Priced to sell at a
fraction of its original cost. Maytag Pat-
ent Co. 329 S. Cuyler. Phone 1648.

LET'S SWAP radios. What's got Pat-
tery and electric sets. Big ones and lit-
tle ones. 311 N. Dwight.

39--Bicycles
FOR SALE: Bicycle in excellent condi-
tion, 2 1/2 miles N. W. of Skellytown. Rolla
Sparks.

40--Office Equipment
1945 MODEL L. C. Smith standard typewriter.
Priced \$419.00. Call Toll-Weiss
Equipment Co.

41--Form Equipment
Scott Imp. Co. John Deere
Sales & Service, Mack Truck

41--Farm Equipment
ONE used Model U Allis Chalmers tractor
and one used model three bottom mold
board plow, also new feed grinder. Os-
born Machine Co., 810 W. Foster. Phone
494.

Hobbs Trailers
On Field-Cottin-Yann-Flann
Sales-Service

Tull-Weiss Equip. Co.
TULL-WEISS EQUIPMENT CO.
International Sales-Service
Trucks, Tractor, Power Units

42--Oil Field Equipment
For Sale: 1 1/2-ton gear type
chain hoist, excellent condi-
tion, \$75. Call Toll-Weiss
Equip. 1360.

46--Miscellaneous
FOR SALE: Two boys prewar wool suits,
size 14-16. Phone 1809.

FOR SALE: Winchester shotgun, 16 gauge
merch. cond. 12 barrels, cylinder
bore and full choke. B. O. Bentley, Gar-
rity Gasoline Plant, White Deer.

FORTY SIX: 10 h.p. Westinghouse motor
the same as used in Texas. Phone
95, Miami, Boy St. Cecil Hubbard.

FOR SALE: One luggage trailer 3x3x3
included. One Universal electric oven, au-
tomatic control, like new. One General
Electric Hot Point electric iron. One 4-
inch electric fan. One 5-tube Crosby
radio in model in good shape. A number of
size 14 dresses and coats. In good con-
dition. Inquire at Weems Grocery, 1600 W.
Alcock after 4 p.m. One 8-day mantle
clock, good shape.

Radcliff Supply Co. has
flashlights and batteries in.
These are really good ones
and something everyone
needs. Get yours at 112 E.
Brown. Phone 1220.

RED HOT bargains Army used surplus
merchandise. 10,000 pairs soldiers' reses-
onditioned shoes. \$2.45-\$2.15. 5000 raincoats
\$2.75-\$1.50. 5000 soft leather pillows \$1.00
each. Mosquito net. Canteens 40c. Field
jackets \$4.45. Tarpaulls. WAC raincoats.
New tarpaulins, wall tents, canvas cots,
other items. All postage prepaid. Blank's
Exchange, Wichita Falls, Texas.

46-A--Wanted To Buy
HIGHEST PRICES paid for any make
washing machines. Phone 2972.

If you have good used fur-
niture to sell, call Brummett
at 2060.

Rags Wanted. Will pay 5c
per lb. for clean cotton rags.
No khaki, no buttons. Bring
them in to Pampa News.

GOOD THINGS TO EAT
51--Fruits, Vegetables
FOR SALE: Hens, grain feed, freeze,
hatched in October, raised inside. White
Berkas. See at 303 E. Francis. Phone 1983.
Next to old Pampa Mortuary.

LANE'S MARKET & GROCERY, fresh
meats and staple groceries. You'll enjoy
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FOR SALE: Nice fat young turkeys,
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pound. Five miles southeast of Pampa
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Smith.

My Christmas Special. Hot
tamales, barbeque, hot ta-
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delicious dish. Tamales and
barbeque Palace, in the
Flats. 540 Barrett St., Pam-
pa.

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Complete line meats, fruits
and groceries.

Near's Market and Grocery
319 S. Cuyler Phone 1104

52--Livestock
FOR SALE: Calves ready for butchering.
Phone 533J. W. H. Hughes.

FOR SALE: Pair home, 12 years old,
gentle enough for any woman or child
to ride, \$60. 327 Sunset Drive.

FOR SALE: Saddle horse coming four
years old, \$75. Located at Service Station,
Lefora, Texas. F. H. Chitwood.

53--Feeds
For Sale: 10,000 bundles
well headed kaffir, 8c per
bundle at field. Phone 297
or write La Von Heatly,
Mangum, Okla.

For Sale: 10,000 bundles
well headed kaffir, 8c per
bundle at field. Ph. 297 or
write La Von Heatly, Man-
gum, Okla.

FOR SALE--REAL ESTATE
60--Sleeping Rooms
BED ROOMS and apartments for rent,
close in--American Hotel, Phone 0538.

63--Wanted To Rent
WANTED by ex-serviceman, three or four
room house for three adults. Phone 1029J.
Permanent. Johnny Spiggle.

WANTED by ex-serviceman, 4, 5 or 6-
room house, permanent Pampans. Phone
947W.

FOR SALE--REAL ESTATE
72--City Property
FOR SALE: Eight room duplex, two baths,
close in. Good five room house, close in.
I have two tourist courts. Two 4-room
houses in Talley Add. Two good buys on
Oklahoma highway. W. T. Hollis. Phone
1478.

FOR SALE: Well constructed 6 room
house, good location, near Sam Houston
School. Shows by appointment. Call 1038.

Booth 1398--Weston 1978
5-room house, \$2,500, close in. Just now
being repaired. Four-room house, \$3,900.
Six-room duplex, \$4,250. Three-room house,
\$3,750, close in. Four room stucco, S. Bar-
nes. Four room house, good garage, \$2,750.
New 5-room home in good condition. Floor
furnace, close in. Three-bedroom brick on
N. Yeager. Five-bedroom home on N. Ho-
bart, \$9,750. Brick business building, 215-

Christmas buys by Mundy.
Four room modern, com-
pletely furnished, \$950 will
handle. Immediate posses-
sion.

Nice 5-room home, two baths, close in. Two
lovely 3-room homes on corner lot near
Woodrow Wilson school, double garage.
Three bedroom home on three 50-foot lots.
Priced \$4,200. 1 1/2 new modern on N.
Waynes, \$21,000. Four room modern on Al-
cock, \$2,400. Nice 5-room with floor fur-
nace, \$2,500. Terms. Large three room
with garage, close in. Phone 2372.

M. P. Downs, Agency
Real Estate, Loans, Insurance
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1264 Phone 336

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"THE NEW YORK HOME OF LAURICYN
HARDING, FIRST LADY OF THE STAGE."



AND NOW MY DEAR-
WHAT IS YOUR FIRST
QUESTION?
MAH FIRST QUESTION
IS--
"YOU'RE AN INTERVIEWER! I
PRESUME. PLEASE
SIT DOWN, YOU
MAY LEAVE
US, LONA."

72--City Property
J. E. Rice. Phone 1831
Four bedroom home on two acres, close
to \$8000. Five room modern, close in.
\$4650. Eight room, two baths. E. Francis,
\$5500. Six room brick, full basement, two
baths, \$2200. Eight room duplex, lovely
home, large corner lot. N. Russell, \$10,000.

FOR SALE: Two room house, semi-mod-
ern, with small one room house, both on
four lots, on the highway, well located.
914 E. Fredrick. Phone 2162.

S. H. Barrett, Real Estate
203 N. Ward Phone 293
Two 5-room modern houses on 150-foot
lot. Double garage, newly decorated. Pos-
sion of one house Jan. 1st. Will carry
\$5,000 to \$5,500.

WE CAN sell your house if it is reason-
ably priced. Stone-Thomason.

Gertie Arnold, Realtor
Rm. 3, Duncan Bldg. Ph. 758
Six room house with three 50-foot lots on
Craven St., \$4200. Five room house E.
Francis, \$3750. Six room house N. Banks,
\$4750. Four room duplex, three room and
four room all on same lot completely fur-
nished. Income \$150 per month. \$4500.
Four room house Talley Add. \$2500. Four
room stucco with three room rent house
in rear. \$2200. Eight room duplex, two
baths W. Francis, \$5750. Four room stucco
S. Barnes, six room N. Hobart, \$2500.
Terms. Six room brick, large basement,
\$8000.

Swanky home in north part
of Pampa, two baths, floor
furnace, dining room and
front room, fully carpeted.
Immediate possession. Call
1831. J. E. Rice.

GOING TO SELL AT ONCE--6-room
modern 1 1/2 bedrooms, on pavement,
\$2,750 cash. Phone 976J.

Haggard & Braly, Realtors
Duncan Bldg. Phone 909
Four room house, two baths, good loca-
tion. Nice 5-room modern house on Clar-
endon highway. 203 acres and 5-room
house. Sweetwater. Phone 1201. List with us
for quick turnover.

73--Lots
J. E. WARD has for sale 50 ft. lot on Hill
St. On paving. Nice residence location.
Call 2046.

76--Farms and Tracts
For sale by J. E. Rice. 320
acre farm, all in cultivation.
Good well, four miles east of
Pampa. Call 1831.

Lee R. Banks, Realtor, 1st
National Bank Bldg. Phone
52-388
2 1/2 room house, with 3 baths, has four
Apts. furnished, and 1 Apt. unfurnished.
Income property. \$17,000. Priced at \$8,000.
5-room modern house on Gray St. has two
baths, hardwood floors, double garage.
\$2,500.00 loan.

7-room house on Charles St. \$11,000.
7-room house on E. Francis. \$6,500.
1 lot with a 5-room furnished house on
front, and one 4-room furnished house
on back of lot. Gray St.

2 lots 50x125 ft on east Francis. \$750.
4-room modern house on N. Hobart. \$3,000.
I would like to have a list on your 3, 4
and 6 room house.

OFF SALE: 160 acres sandy hard farm
four miles south of Wheeler on pavement.
Good well of water and windmill, fair im-
provements. See or write C. C. Hollman,
Wheeler, Texas.

Section of good improved
Hemphill county land; 200
acres farm, balance fine
grass. Will sell cattle and
farming equipment with
land. Stone - Thomason,
119 1/2 W. Kingsmill. Ph.1766

C. H. Mundy, Phone 2372
For Farms and Ranches.
Four-section ranch, 150 acres in cultiva-
tion. Light improvements, \$12.50 per acre.
Well watered near Boise City, Okla., 3,240-
acre ranch, Sweetwater, Okla. \$10 per
acre, light improvements. 100-acre wheat
farm one mile from Panhandle. See me
for other excellent buys.

77--Property To Be Moved
LOVELY eight room house, two baths,
large porch, two car garage, trees, shrubs,
to be moved. Call 298.

79--Real Estate Wanted
WE CAN sell your house if it is reason-
ably priced. Stone and Thomason.

Gertie Arnold, Room 3, Dun-
can Building. Phone 758
List your property with me for quick sale.

80--Automobiles
FOR SALE: Model A roadster, rebuilt
motor. Price \$1100. OPA ceiling.
E. White, 1294 S. Barnes.

For Trade: '42 Ford club
coupe. '42 Ford four door.
'41 Chevy club coupe. In-
quire at O. K. Tire Co. Ph.
1234.

84--Accessories
Batteries!
Just received new shipment
Brown - Silvey
105 N. Hobart Phone 588
Pampa Garage and Salvage
New rebuilt Ford, Mercury, Lincoln and
Chevrolet motors. New and used parts
for all cars. Guaranteed repair work.

Notice, For Sale
Ford Radiator Grills, '37 to '45
Wanted To Buy
Used water pumps, used Ford distributors,
used carburetors, used generators and
starters. 10,000 junk batteries and radi-
ators. Highest prices paid for junk iron,
brass and copper.

C. C. Matheny, Tires, Salvage
318 W. Foster Phone 1051

Though we may be tempted to
stick our finger in the Chinese pie,
we should refrain and let the Chi-
nese themselves work out their own
internal problems.
-Albany, Ga. Herald.

Read Classified Ads in the News

FUNNY BUSINESS
BY HERSHBERGER



"He always dresses up for Christmas eve!"

breaking of day, an angel of the
Lord appeared in the entrance of
the stable and said unto Hanna and
Casper: "Arise, ye blessed of the
Lord, arise, bend on thy sandals!
For while you were thus sleeping
upon the cold floor of the stable,
there was born unto you in room
number seven a Savior, which is
Christ the Lord. And among the
things that have crowned the Inn
of Bethlehem tonight, you yourselves
have been God's honored guest.
Arise therefore and come forth to
meet the glory of a new sunrise. For,
behold, from henceforth all genera-
tions shall call you blessed, because
you have loved kindness more than
comfort; you have had it within
your hearts to be thoughtful and to
love mercy, and to show kindness
in this hour of need."

But, unfortunately, this is not the
true story. What actually happened
that night might thus be stated:
Joseph and Mary arrive at the Inn
at a very late hour. Mary slumps
to the ground and leans against the
wall of the Inn, exhausted. Joseph
knocks at the door. He knocks a-
gain and again. He knocks louder
and louder. Finally up shoots a
Casper, a gruff voice shouts out
into the quiet night:

"What do you mean waking up here
this time of night. Get going!"

"I am Joseph, the carpenter of
Nazareth," said the caller. "I seek
for lodging."

"Get going I said. The Inn is full,"
shouted the keeper.

"But, Sir, we have no place to go.
The night is cold. My wife is ill.
Have mercy upon us. I pray you, and
permit us at least to come into the
house."

"We have no room in here for
such as you! Be gone! Why do you
think this is a hospital? Take that
oriental jackass and move on over
the hill to the stables, and see to it
that you come by here early in the
morning and pay for your lodging!"

Siam went the window.

Of course we could hardly blame
the old Inn keeper and his wife for
not showing kindness, for, after all,
the real Spirit of Human Kindness
was not yet born--not until that
first Christmas morning.

A catfish's "whiskers" are a sensory
organ that enables it to feel its
way through muddy water.

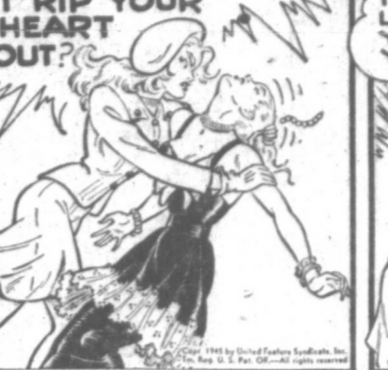
MERRY Christmas
AND
A
MOST
JOYOUS
NEW YEAR

It is our wish that the coming year
be a most prosper-
ous and success-
ful one to all
our loyal friends
and patrons.

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SERVICE

120 S. Cuyler Phone 999

BY AL CAPP



WILL YOU SOFTLY WILL YOU?

Even Dogs Took
Headline in '45

Some of the newest news of
1945 literally went to the dogs.

The nation's canine population
grabbed off some mighty big head-
lines--some tragic, some funny,
some highly touched with con-
trovery.

Crown Prince of Japan would Ask For 'Some Cochon Hens' for Xmas

By MORRIE LANDSBERG
TOKYO, Dec. 24.—(AP)—The crown prince of Japan is a chubby-long-legged, apparently normal boy of 12 who likes birds, model construction sets, Mickey Mouse, poetry and who inquired recently:

"What is democracy?"
Altogether, Prince Akihito Tsugunomiya—potential ruler of 17,000,000—impressed me as being a practical minded young fellow. I interviewed him at his lavish home—big, formal Akasaka palace.

The first son of Emperor Hirohito played in the palace garden with fellow students of the School of Peers, and later answered written questions.

"He might get flustered talking to a stranger," said old Baron Hozumi, his grand chamberlain. "If you were an American boy," I asked the prince, "what would you ask Santa Claus to bring you for Christmas?"

Akihito's reply was, "Some Cochon hens." It seems that the robust, black-haired crown prince is very fond of poultry. On his morning walks before breakfast, he looks in on his private chickenhouse to see if the leghorns have laid any eggs.

Trouble is, the leghorns aren't good producers. The prince thinks cochons would do better.

There are two swans which Akihito regarded as his special pets. One of them died. He insisted on taking the other with him to Nikko, where he lived and attended the School of Peers during the latter part of the war. He raised rabbits there, too.

At Nikko, students had a lakeside playground. Baron Hozumi said the prince used to retrieve radish and other plants floating in the lake and have them planted in the garden at the Simmer palace.

The crown prince and his brother spend Sundays with their parents and four sisters. First, however, Akihito sits down with his grand chamberlain for a weekly discussion of world affairs and the situation in Japan.

"His highness is very interested in America," said Baron Hozumi. In one of these discussions a few weeks ago, Akihito asked suddenly "What is democracy?" Hozumi said he described it as "governing people according to their own wishes and for the happiness of all the people." The baron added that the prince seemed to like the idea.

What Akihito thinks of the occupation and the possible abdication of his father was not discussed.

The prince told me he preferred an American model construction set above all his toys. His favorite game is "kick ball," which is baseball with kicking a hard rubber ball substituted for batting.

Machinery Is Set Up To Aid Vets

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Governmental machinery has been set up to ease the shortage of housing for war veterans as soon as the President signs the necessary legislation.

Chairman Lanham (D-Texas) of the house buildings and grounds committee told a reporter Saturday about the procedure to be followed. He also said Mr. Truman is expected to sign the legislation within a few days.

Once the Presidents acts, cities and schools which need facilities for housing veterans can apply to district headquarters of the federal public housing authority. Veterans themselves must deal with the cities or schools involved, Lanham said.

Two measures are awaiting the President's signature. One authorizes expenditure of \$160,000,000, while the other appropriates this amount for immediate use, plus another \$31,900,000 previously authorized.

Under the program no new housing will be constructed. Instead, the money will be spent for buying and transporting existing temporary shelters to locations where they are needed.

Group Advocates Big Gift in Food, Feed

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(AP)—The national planning association has recommended a \$1,000,000 gift in food and feed for western Europe, including ex-enemy countries.

The contribution, the report said, should be in addition to funds provided for the United Nations relief and rehabilitation administration which does not operate in the former enemy territory.

The association, a non-profit, non-political organization, estimated that the billion dollars in goods will be needed, in addition to an estimated \$500,000,000 in UNRRA funds, to keep western Europe, the United Kingdom and UNRRA countries from hunger this winter.

Exit Trusty Bronc, Cowboys Get Wings

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—Cowboys on the western ranges of the U. S. Grazing Service have taken to the air.

Flying cowboys now are employed to locate herds of wild horses and drive them toward round-up centers.

Approximately 100,000 mustangs have been rounded up from grazing districts in 10 western states since 1943. Fewer wild horses on the range means more room for cattle and sheep.

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IT'S FIT FOR A PRESIDENT



Sixteen-foot Douglas fir tree, cut in Pike National Forest, Colo., and shipped to President Truman's Summer White House (background) in Independence, Mo., for Christmas, awaits uncrating. Tree was gift of President's niece and nephew, Marian, 8, and David, 11, children of Fred Wallace.

Coming Year May See All Shelves Full of Stocks

By DOROTHY CAREW
AP Features

NEW YORK.—The start of 1946 means the beginning of the end of shortages for the American consumer.

Father may not have a white shirt left to his name, mother may still be waiting for nylons, and junior may be squeezed into his last year's sleepers—but not for long.

Some shortages already are over or well on the way to being forgotten. Industry sources predict that supplies of others will improve one after another during the coming year, just as scarcities came in 1945.

Just a year ago smokers lined up daily in hopes of getting a package of cigarettes. Today you can ask unblushingly for a carton of your favorite brand.

Meat supplies reached the lowest point of the war period last spring. Many a family went without it for days at a time. But gradually after V-E cut army requirements, the supply increased.

Canned goods are returning to grocers' shelves, and still better supplies are expected in coming months by the department of commerce.

Radios and electrical appliances already have appeared in the market for the first time since the war.

The National Shoe Manufacturers association expects stocks to be adequate soon. Children's shoes are lagging somewhat because of a tremendous increase in demand, but men's and women's footwear supplies should catch up with needs by the second quarter of 1946.

The consumer began 1945 with a handful of ration books. Now he needs stamps only for sugar. Rationing of that item—first to be restricted during the war—may last for some time to come.

Ody H. Lamborn, president of Lamborn & Co., sugar brokers, predicts stocks will be at an all-time low during the first quarter of 1946, but should begin to improve after April 1.

The textile shortage grew more acute month by month during all of 1945. Not much relief is anticipated until the second quarter of '46.

One manufacturer predicts sheets, and pillowcases, practically unobtainable now, should begin creeping back into stores with 60 to 90 days. Children's utility clothing—sleepers, underwear, and corduroy overalls—will be easier to get after another three months, industry sources say.

Men's clothing will be one of the slowest consumer goods to return to normal because needs of millions of returning servicemen must be met.

It will be another six months before the shirt and pajama situation begins to improve, says the National Association of Shirt and Pajama manufacturers.

Although suits and overcoats now are coming through in increasing quantities, demand is so excessive that industry sources expect them to be portioned out to retailers for most of 1946.

VINSON TO TEXAS
DENISON, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Secretary of the Treasury Fred Vinson is due here Jan. 2 or 3 en route to Bonham where he plans to visit Speaker Sam Rayburn, it was announced here today.

Vinson will arrive by plane at Perrin field, between here and Sherman.

Parole System Of Texas Said To Be Too Lax

FORT WORTH, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Texas' prison parole system is "too lax" in the view of the state's parole board, which is to be strengthened in the interest of society, the Tarrant county grand jury charged Saturday in a report on its investigation into current protests over law violations by paroled convicts.

In a letter signed by Thomas Fletcher, foreman, the jury summed up its views on the system, on the basis of a three-judge committee's study of Tarrant county records.

The letter was sent to governor Coke Stevenson, members of the Tarrant county delegation in the legislature, the board of pardons and paroles, the Dallas county grand jury. Major William T. Johnson, secretary of the Tarrant county parole board, and to local law enforcement agencies.

The report showed there were 182 parolees under supervision of Tarrant county authorities last January 1, and that 84 more were released from penal institutions during the ensuing 11 months.

"Cut of a total of 266 parolees, 20 parolees have been revoked because of violations by the parolees, and eight additional parolees were either under indictment or sought for questioning as of November 28," the report read.

"We believe the present system permits the release of an excessive number of known criminals who continue to commit crimes while out on parole," the report stated.

"We urgently recommend that you

give your support to consideration of strengthening the parole system and its administration so as to protect society, insofar as possible, from the danger inherent in the freedom of these offenders.

"It is further recommended that additional legislation or more strict administration, or both, be adopted as a protective measure."

The Police Captain Wanted to Get Home

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Because an Ardmore, Pa., police captain wanted to get home for Christmas, Chief Harold G. Ward of criminal court held an opening hearing at the corner of Randolph and LaSalle streets and signed paper extraditing Albert E. Hart to Ardmore.

The court, Capt. William Shaffer told the court, was wanted in Ardmore on charges of robbing a bank and a jewelry store of \$42,000. Hart waived extradition proceedings, and the two started back Saturday.

The courts here were closed until today, so Judge Ward agreed to the unusual proceeding to accommodate Capt. Shaffer.

Polish Unions Say 'No More Strikes'

WARSAW, Poland.—(AP)—The International Trade Unions Congress which recently met here decided that strikes were "a thing of the past."

"In the future," the workers' journal "Robotnik" said, "all disputes will be settled by trade union associations."

Scots law has preserved the rule that the mere interchange of consent (which may be verbal and in some cases implied) is sufficient as a marriage contract. Such marriages, where there is no religious ceremony, are termed irregular but are fully binding in Scotland.



"Here's one for you—me just fresh out of the marine corps, and Aunt Hattie sends me an air rifle!"

Today's Schedule Of Redeployment

(By The Associated Press)

More than 40,000 servicemen are scheduled to arrive today at three east coast and five west coast ports aboard 59 troop-carrying ships.

Ships and units arriving:

At New York—Enterprise from Southampton, companies A, B, C, D of 314th medical battalion; headquarters and headquarters company and companies I, K, L, M, third battalion, 35th infantry regiment; headquarters and headquarters company and companies A, B, C, D, first battalion, headquarters and headquarters company and companies E, F, G, H, second battalion, headquarters and headquarters company and medical detachment and companies I, K, L, M—354th infantry regiment; headquarters and headquarters company and companies A, B, 355th infantry regiment; medical detachment, 353rd infantry regiment.

Sea Robin from Marselles, headquarters and headquarters company, companies B, C, E, F, G, I, K, M, headquarters and headquarters company, second battalion, 359th infantry regiment.

Waycross Victory from Antwerp, 12th traffic regiment group; 584th port company; 3885th quartermaster truck company.

Wilson Victory from Le Harve, 623rd ordnance company; 962nd quartermaster service company; 555th port company.

Washington from Southampton headquarters company, service company and anti-tank company, 354th infantry regiment; headquarters and headquarters detachment, 314th medical battalion; company K, 355th motor auto maintenance company.

Miscellaneous troops on: General McCrae from Karachi, Daniel Hill from Le Harve, John Clark from Le Harve, William Rayburn from Southampton, George Gipp from Antwerp, John Gordon from Barry, and Spetsne from Calcutta, 24.

At Newport News—Haym Solomon, headquarters company, Second Lattalton, 143rd infantry regiment; companies E, F, 143rd infantry regiment.

Mormacport, 40th mobile squadron; cannon company, companies L, M, 328th infantry regiment; companies A and D, 358th infantry regiment.

At San Francisco—Miscellaneous personnel on: Justin from Guam, Marine Perch from Leyte, Oakland from Kewalein, Abe Rosenberg from Manila, Richard Arnold from Yokohama, Newberry from Pearl Harbor, Carle O'Neil, Saipan, Aries, flying Yankees, Keosauqua.

At Portland, Oregon—Miscellaneous personnel on: Ar 30 from Pearl Harbor, Moezkowski from Yokohama.

At San Diego, Calif.—Miscellaneous personnel on: Electra, Spencer, Sarasota, Cortland, LCI's 95, 319, 322, 520, 563, 583; LST's 740 and 1130.

Civilians consumed an average of 126 pounds of meat a year from 1935 until 1939. In 1944 they averaged 150 pounds; and the forecast for 1946 is from 145 to 155 pounds.

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CHRISTMAS EVE ON HOSPITAL SHIP MADE JOYOUS OCCASION BY MARINE

(Capt. Frederick A. Foster, USNR, of St. Louis, Mo., who wrote the accompanying story for the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, entered the armed service as head of a medical specialists unit. Formerly he had been director and chief surgeon of the Missouri State Crippled Children's Service.)

By CAPT. FREDERICK A. JOSTES This is the story of the young marine who lost one hand and most of the fingers on the other when a Japanese soldier tossed a hand grenade back at him. The grenade exploded as it left the marine's hands for second time.

He was with us at sea last Christmas. For days he was not happy; his future as he saw it was almost black. He was facing the realization of home.

He seemed to be balking a great effort to adjust himself, but got nowhere. On the evening of December 22 I found him sitting in his cabin in the semi-darkness of the red glow of blackout lights, weeping quietly to himself. "It is almost Christmas," he said; "I am used to doing things with my hands for Christmas. We were all taught how to trim a tree well and how to decorate the house. We all made things for one another. What can I do now? There will be no Christmas on this ship for us."

Then I told him quietly of our plans for Christmas and told him that I needed his help; that he would keep it a secret so that the other wounded would have the beautiful surprise and uncertainty of the Christmas of their youth.

There was little he could do with one hand, with only thumb and third finger left, but he helped me make selections of things from my trunk in the way of toilet articles, bits of candy, cigarettes, etc. I was going to wrap in gay red and green and white paper and gold and silver ribbons which I had hurriedly bought months before when I realized that

Christmas might find us at sea and unprepared.

Hundreds of Packages I did not tell him about the hundreds of small packages which Red Cross gave our chaplain on a last-minute call when we realized that we might have wounded as well as a crew aboard for Christmas. Each of these packages contained an exciting game, a bright handkerchief, some notepaper, a pencil, a miniature volume of a good book, a package of cigarettes, a bar of candy and a Christmas greeting card.

At the time I bought the colored paper and ribbons I also bought a small artificial tree and some non-breakable ornaments, a string of lights and some old-fashioned Bavarian paper creches similar to those which were the magic of my youth—the kind that, when adjusted, lend life and depth to the story of the Child in the manger. I remember I had given my "aunt," Mrs. Lillie Bell Bassett, the time of her life helping me to buy these things during the last half hour I had before sailing from the port where she was living. I had offered as an excuse for the hurried purchases the fact that I had the duty watch.

I showed all of these purchases to our marine and warned him he must help me put them to the best possible use. It was such a joy to see how he went about trying to find the most advantageous use for what little I had to offer. I told him of the plans for the Christmas party in the mess halls for everybody on the ship except those who were on watch, and that even those on watch would have relief for a short time at least.

Plan Is Outlined I told him of how we planned to carry all the stretcher case patients to the mess hall and give them the choice seats by placing their stretchers on the mess tables. From

there they could see the movie screen, the large Christmas tree, the speakers' stand. This would give them a good view of everything that went on.

Soon he took on a new life. On December 24 I appointed him to go about and spread the news of the party to all the stretcher cases—and there were hundreds—asking him to urge all of them to come to the party. As a wounded man, he could do more to arouse interest than we could. All were in a receptive mood, for all said they would attend, even those who were required 24-hour-a-day bedside care . . . some who did not know it, but whom we could count lucky if they lived until we reached port.

A Different Party While I hoped that all would be present for a grand family party, deep down I knew that in spite of heroic efforts some would never make the grade. The devastating afternoon temperature took its toll. At 4 o'clock 10 men could not be moved. For them we had prepared a different kind of party, a bit of a surprise.

Again in the darkness of the red glow of the blackout lights we crept around the ship carrying on a portable surgical dressing table my three-foot artificial Christmas tree. My electrician's mate would steal quietly to each cabin, having located the light socket in advance, and as soon as our carolers, made up of four officers and four enlisted men, began to sing, "Silent Night," the electrician's mate would stand, as if by magic, a blazing Christmas tree in all its fascinating colors and twinkling stars of light. As sick as they were, each man did his best to smile, even though many times it was through uncontrollable tears. For those of us who stood by, singing was sometimes difficult, too.

Practiced Secretly The carolers, who had practiced secretly in the library for days in advance, assembled on Christmas Eve on A deck forward and sang "Silent Night, Holy Night" to the ship's officers quartered on that deck. Then we wound our way up the ladders and through narrow deck passageways topside to the boat deck and to the dark foyer before the skipper's cabin. The marine orderly stood rigidly at attention, as did the captain's negro steward.

10 Desperately Sick We had completed the rounds of the cabins of the 10 desperately sick men, which took us all over the ship from sick officers cabins on A deck aft to prom deck to B deck portside and to the ship's company sick bay on C deck starboard forward. We had sung "Silent Night" here; "Noel, Noel," there; "We Three Kings," to Bill, and "Adeste Fideles" to little Joe; "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" to Vi-ll, the lad whose mother and father still lived in Italy; "Away in a Manger" we sang to the Swedish boy whose legs were held fast in plaster casts and whose bones were badly infected.

Later my fine marine with two fingers came to me that evening and declared: "It would be nice if you would give little Joe one of those small paper cribs—I have been talking with him."

"It's a funny Christmas," remarked Joe. "Instead of looking at the Child in the crib, I can only look at the crucifix on my rosary."

Secretly I had planned to give Joe one of my precious creches, and I did, realizing only too well that that would be the last creche he would see and enjoy. He, too, was a young soldier, 20 years old, a member of the Hospital corps who was shot down by Japanese snipers as he helped carry a stretcher case back and helplessly paralyzed from the chest down.

After repeating our performance in the cabin of each of these very sick men, the carolers proceeded to the mess hall, singing "Deck the Halls With Boughs of Holly." Here we had a good movie and an inspiring talk by our skipper, who spoke

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MERRY CHRISTMAS—FOUR TIMES



The Baggett quadruplets of Galveston, Texas, who will be seven years old Feb. 1, take time out from decorating their Christmas tree to say "Merry Christmas." Peeking from bottom (left to right) are Jeraldine and Jeanette. Top (left to right) Jean and Joyce. (AP Photo.)

Diet in Nazi Prison Camps Was Very Distasteful—Although Healthful

By GAYNOR MADDOX NEA Staff Writer

GI's imprisoned during the war in Germany groan when they think of turnips. Their diet included endless turnip stews. But the German diet of cabbage, boiled potatoes and turnips contain vitamin C. For that reason, our boys in German prison camps had little or only mild scurvy. Also, because the German prison fare provided coarse dark bread, the GI's had vitamin B complex to keep them going.

Curd Curdie Joe in Japan When GI Joe in Japan wrote home, "What wouldn't I give for pie and a hunk of cheese," he probably had been sampling native Jap delicacies such as octopus or sea slugs. Other unpleasant items on the Nipponese menu included pickled vegetables with a rotten smell, fried eels and rice, bean curds, pickled melon, and watery soups with seaweed floating in them. Sukiyaki isn't so bad. It consists of strips of meat and vegetables cooked together briefly in something like a chafing dish. It's not a Japanese dish, but was invented by a missionary in Japan who couldn't go the regular chow.

Potatoes Enter Diplomatic Service This year's potato crop is the second largest in history—50 million bushels more potatoes than are needed for civilian consumption. Potatoes for which no commercial outlet could be found at support price levels were acquired by the government and diverted from the regular commercial market into other channels. Almost half of these went to school lunch programs and welfare organizations; rest to reconversion into starch, industrial alcohol and livestock feed. Also we are selling them to the Belgian government.

Navy Yards Will Be Called Bases

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24—The use of the name "Navy Yard" has been discontinued by the Navy Department, and in the locality of each Navy Yard organization all Naval activities have been consolidated into a Navy Base, Eighth Naval District Headquarters announced today.

The additional activities now placed under one command may include a Naval Supply Depot, a Naval hospital, a Naval Ammunition Depot, a Naval recruiting station or a Marine barracks.

Each component activity of the Naval Base will have a commanding officer who will be fully responsible for the internal management of his activity. Each Naval Base will be commanded by a line officer, designated Commandant of the Naval Base, under the Commandant of the Naval District.

One of the component activities of each Naval Base which will be established in the locality of a present Navy Yard will be a "U. S. Naval Shipyard," commanded by a technically trained officer under whose control will be all activities relating to the building, repairing, overhauling, docking, altering, converting and outfitting of ships, and to related or special manufacturing.

The Washington Navy Yard has been excluded from the reorganization of the Naval Yards.

The mission of a Naval Base will be to furnish direct service to the operating forces.

Navy Yards are located at Portsmouth, N. H.; Boston, Brooklyn, Philadelphia, Norfolk, Charleston, Wash.; Mare Island, Calif.; and Pearl Harbor.

In North America, there are 47,656,724 Roman Catholics, 38,998,467 Protestants and 4,909,712 Jews.

Texas Highway Death Toll Over Holidays Is Set

AUSTIN, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Heavy threat of traffic deaths will hover over Texas highways during the Christmas holidays this year with six reasons to make the season the most costly in Texas Yule records. Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., director of the state department of public safety, predicts that 60 persons will have died in Texas traffic accidents by tomorrow because of:

- 1. Increased traffic not possible during war years.
2. Careless driving, possibly in bad weather.
3. Worn-out cars.
4. Bad tires.
5. Excessive speeds.
6. Driving while under influence of alcohol.

The largest number of traffic fatalities ever recorded on Christmas day were 18 in 1940, Garrison said. He anticipates this Christmas to equal or exceed that total.

He noted that strain of war years has encouraged more wide-spread drinking and expressed fears that alcohol will be one of the highway safety's worst enemies during the Christmas season. Already state highway patrolmen have observed a noticeable increase in drinking drivers on the roads, he reported.

The department expects a 50 per cent increase in auto thefts during the holidays, he said. Many such thefts can be avoided if drivers will remove the keys from their cars when leaving them. Garrison urged drivers to do only necessary driving during the Christmas season, to drive carefully, to stay within speed limits and not to force worn-out cars even to those limits, and positively not to drive while under the slightest influence of alcoholic beverages. He emphasized that double precautions should be taken in bad weather.

Texas U. Geologists Will Give Papers at Meeting of Society

AUSTIN, Dec. 24.—Three University of Texas geologists will give papers at meetings of the Geological Society of America when it meets in Philadelphia December 27-30.

Dr. E. H. Sellards, director emeritus of the Bureau of Economic Geology will give a paper on "Fossil Bison and Contemporary Indian Hunters."

P. B. Plummer, geologist in the Bureau of Economic Geology, will read papers based on his research before meetings of the Geological Society, the Paleontology Society of America, and the Society of Economic Geologists, meeting in Pittsburgh.

J. B. Stenzel, geologist with the Bureau of Economic Geology, will read papers dealing with various aspects of the general subject of tectonology.

Professor Asked to Read Paper on Drama AUSTIN, Dec. 24.—Dr. Eduard Micek, professor of Slavonic languages, has been asked to read a paper on the history of modern Czech drama at the national meeting of the American Association of Teachers of Slavonic and East European languages, to be held in Chicago Dec. 27-29, 1945.



Christmas Greetings

A sleigh full of our very best wishes. On this joyous occasion we want to wish one and all the very merriest of holidays and extend our heartfelt thanks to all of our kind friends who have been so patient during the difficult period of the past with the promise of better things to come in the near future.

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Merry Christmas advertisement for Navy Yards Will Be Called Bases, featuring a large graphic of a gift box and text about the reorganization of naval facilities.

Merry Christmas advertisement for Behrman's and Employees, featuring a large graphic of a gift box and text about holiday greetings and cooperative spirit.



Christmas GREETINGS

Let us pray this Christmas, that never again will the record of man's achievement be stained by blood shed in war!

CRYSTAL PALACE

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Yule Arrives On Broadway

By JACK O'BRIAN
NEW YORK—Manhattan is ready for its first peacetime Christmas since 1940, sprucing its spruces for City Hall Park, Radio City and various community ceremonies, testing bulbs, hanging out holly, bits of red and green, bustling like mad in a shopping rush and generally getting into the annual spirit with the only hurried citizens apparent the young ladies and gentlemen of the ribbon and tie counters to whom most of this mad seasonal dash is a sheer pain in their careers.

Since movie houses in the area, largely established as Broadway no longer present shows on a weekly or even bi-weekly basis, the annual Christmas pageantry at Radio City Music Hall, one of the excellent local additions to old Yule tradition, has been on view at our largest film palace since the first week in December.

As is expected each year, the queues awaiting entrance to the Music Hall which is at the other end of the Associated Press Building, have four-abreast lines frequently covering the four sides of the block bounded by Sixth Avenue, I mean the Avenue of the Americas—50th and 51st St. and Rockefeller Plaza.

This thirteen-year-old pageant, "The Nativity," enjoys such widespread popularity that ticket requests begin pouring in for reserved seats as far ahead as July and June of each year. Already seen by more than 4,500,000 persons, the deeply moving "Nativity" has turned the Music Hall into a holiday mecca—both for visitors and New York residents.

In telling the beautiful story of the first Christmas, the magnificent spectacle, with impressive settings possible in no other theater, utilizes both the great stage proper and the vast choral stairways on each side to form a single mighty stage 280 feet in length.

The reverent presentation is begun by a large chorus of shepherds singing their carols in the hush of the dimly-lighted playhouse, followed by the stately, mounted procession of richly-robed Kings of the Orient and adoring peasants to the music of traditional Christmas songs, accompanied by the Music Hall's huge grand organ and symphony orchestra.

The Music Hall's screen has delightful holiday fare in "The Bells of St. Mary's," a good-humored and reverent film which, too, contains Christmas sequences aimed in equal accuracy at the risibilities, hearts and tear-ducts of the continually packed houses. The Music Hall sets its Christmas doings started a little before everyone else in town and lasts longer, but no one minds. Not even the cold and shaking thousands who stand patiently in line every day outside my window. They're sayer than usual and not in the least irritable after their hours of line-standing. The season, naturally.

GOATS ARE CALM
Veterans of Okinawa and other battlefields report that the goat was the most calm of barnyard animals during air raids and fires, according to Gib Swanson in Capper's Farmer. Farm animals are quickly rattled and frequently run headlong into trouble. When farmers returned to their blasted homes, they usually found their pigs strayed, their chickens devoured, their cows and horses dead. But the goats were quietly waiting for them.

Some of the wild life around Walden pond, which Thoreau immortalized 100 years ago, is more numerous today than in his time.

Army Seeking Return Of Men Into Ranks

The following statement was issued by the army recruiting station here:

You Non-Commissioned Officers, whether you're still in the Army or have been recently discharged, you worked hard to get those stripes on your sleeves. And they mean a lot, not only in the kind of assignment you get in the Army, but in the extra dough that goes with them. So, when you reenlist to take advantage of all the swell privileges you get in Uncle Sam's New Regular Army, you want to know whether you'll keep those stripes.

Well, if you will reenlist within 20 days after discharge, you will go back with the grade you held when you were discharged. If you have any questions, stop in at US Army Recruiting Station, Post Office Building, Pampa, Texas and have a talk with the Recruiter in charge, S/Sgt. Edward T. White.

POTATO'S DRAMATIC HISTORY

The humble potato has had a dramatic history, writes Gib Swanson in Capper's Farmer. A disagreement over food supplies led to the Potato War of 1778 between Prussia and Austria which ended after a loss of 20,000 lives and millions of pounds of potatoes. This is probably the only war named after a vegetable. The name spud takes its name from the abbreviation of the "Society for the Prevention of Unwholesome Diet"—an 18th century group who blamed practically all illness on the potato.

Do not let rich land wash away—save the soil.

Real Secret of Christmas Has Been Forgotten

By RUTH MILLETT
NEA Staff Writer

Have we grownups completely forgotten what makes a happy Christmas for children?

It looks that way. Parents of small fry in the toy stores are pushing each other around to buy tricycles at \$54.50, thinking a kid has to have an electric train. This year, getting so excited over the mechanical toy shortage that a store in New York seriously advised its customers to camp on its doorstep if they wanted the new toys.

Have we forgotten that kids don't expect expensive and elaborate gifts from Santa unless the grownups put such ideas in their minds, or encourage them when they get such ideas from their playmates?

Have we forgotten that a child can have a wonderful Christmas

if he helps pick out and make decorations for a tree, if he isn't encouraged to ask for too much—and then receives a little more than he has been led to hope for, if he has his own secret gifts for other members of the family, bought, wrapped (however clumsily) and hidden by himself?

CHRISTMAS IS SPIRITUAL

Don't we know that what makes a really good Christmas in any family is the happiness the season brings, the spiritual closeness to God and to family and friends, the joy of giving?

Little children don't need expensive toys to make them happy. And older kids can be told the Christmas still hasn't come when they can have elaborate presents.

So why are the grownups in such a dither? It must be we've lost the true spirit of a family Christmas and that is why we are pushing and shoving in stores as though Christmas would be a disappointment if Johnny doesn't get a certain toy—no matter the cost.

There is no more good virgin soil. Build the soil.



Christmas GREETINGS

It is with much gladness that we wish you the joys of the holiday season and a

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**WHEELER WOMAN WRITES
HISTORY OF PANHANDLE**

SHAMROCK, Dec. 24.—"Memory
Cups of Panhandle Pioneers," by
Millie Jones Porter, is to be off
the press in a few days with the
first copies for sale scheduled to arrive in
Wheeler county in the new year.

Mrs. J. M. Porter of Wheeler,
widely known Panhandle pioneer,
has compiled a valuable historical
work under the above title, which
has required more than four years
of hard work and approximately
3000 miles of travel. She interviewed
35 pioneers, 22 of whom have suc-
cumbed since she began work on
her book.

The volume is a history of the
Texas Panhandle with emphasis on
Wheeler county, from 1875 to 1944.
More than 2000 names and items ap-
pear in the index, and for the book
contains about 600 pages. The his-
tory begins with the days at old
Fort Elliot when lumber for the
first buildings in Wheeler county
was being hauled with teams of ox-
en from Fort Dodge, Kansas, and
records the organization of Wheeler
county in 1879.

It contains everything from stories
of cattle stealing to murders, and
murder trials, to the wholesale ar-
rest of the Wheeler county officers,
all of which is compiled from his-
torical records and is authentic.
Just life in the raw in the "good
old days" of the early West. The
story of the first jail in Wheeler
county, which was built at a cost of
\$73. 75, reads like a fairy tale as
the romance of Wheeler county de-
velops from a wilderness infested
with Indians, into a great agricul-
tural empire.

Mrs. Porter, who is 68 years of
age, has made most of the trips
alone in search of the material, and
if she has one outstanding charac-
teristic, it is perseverance. She has
worked on an average of 40 hours a
week for nine months of the year,
over the course records of Wheeler
county, with individuals, and at the
Panhandle Plains Museum at Can-
yon, almost forgetting to eat and
sleep. She has literally lived with
her book many hours each day since
the work was started. The history is
dedicated to "The Real Pioneers
whose Sons and Daughters We
Are."

Mrs. Porter was born in Tancy
county, near Springfield, Mo., De-
cember 7, 1877, and came to Wheeler
county with her parents, Mr. and
Mrs. J. R. Jones in 1886.

While en route to Texas they stop-
ped during the winter months at
Hazelton, Kansas, when some mem-
bers of her family became ill and
were unable to travel. Her father
and brothers did odd jobs until
spring. Mrs. Porter has never been
able to appreciate James Whitcomb
Riley's lines "When the frost is on
the pumpkin and the fodder's in
the shock," as she remembers the
litter cold and hardships of that
winter.

Her first home in Wheeler county
was on land that her father filed
on, near where the town of Wheeler
now stands. Later the old Jones
ranch was established just across the
north fork of the Red river north
of Shamrock, which is still owned
by a sister of Mrs. Porter, Leanne
Jones Harvey.

Millie Jones Porter recalls that
they first lived in a tent, while a
half-dugout was being constructed.
Mrs. Porter was the eldest of a



MILLIE JONES PORTER

family of 10 children, and vividly
remembers helping her father herd
sheep across Wheeler county hills,
wading through buffalo wallows, and
it has been said of her that she
could stack more hay on a wagon
than any man in the county. She
had attended school just nine
months altogether by the time she
was 14, and has had one semester
at old Fort Worth university. She
taught school at the old Rock school-
house on Sweetwater creek for two
terms and taught her brothers and
sisters at home.

Millie Jones Porter worked side
by side with her husband, the late
Jim Porter, for 37 years, keeping
pace with him as she rode the cattle
range, helping to keep up the fences,
and climbing the windmill towers
when there was no man to do the
job. If the hogs got out, she put
them in the pen. She has never
asked anyone to do anything for her
that she was able to do for her-
self.

Mrs. Porter has three children,
Mrs. J. H. Caperton of Shamrock,
Mrs. Joe Hyatt and Glenn Porter of
Wheeler, seven grandchildren and
two great-grandchildren. She gave
her children a college education and
has helped to educate 31 other boys
and girls by loaning them money to
go to school, and took 10 different
girls into her home and sent them
to high school.

Besides manufacturing all U. S.
paper money and postage, the Bu-
reau of Engraving and Printing
produces all government bonds,
drafts, warrants, commissions, cer-
tificates and transportation re-
quests.

Hospital Ship

(Continued from page 1)
of the Christ Child as One for
whose principles of life we are fight-
ing. After this talk we had a feast.
Just think of it! Real steak, sand-
wiches, coffee, coke, ice cream,
cakes, candy, Christmas cookies
baked by our own ship's baker, all
you could hold. During all this time
my fine marine with but two fingers
carried sandwiches, one by one,
around to the stretcher cases.

The next day the patients slept
late as though inebriated with good
food and pleasure. Few of them
waked for breakfast. They were still
in a daze when I saw them at about
10 o'clock, as though they had been
out all night and kicked up their
heels. When I came to the bed of
my fingerless marine I found him
looking up at the ceiling, smiling.
He jumped out of bed at attention
and said: "Sir, I really believe that
was one of the finest Christmas
Eves I have ever had. And a Merry
Christmas to you, sir; a Merry
Christmas to you."

William Blount, one of the first
two senators from Tennessee, was
the first federal official to be im-
peached. He was charged in 1797
with plotting to aid Great Britain
in seizing Florida and the Louisi-
ana Territory. The impeachment
case was dropped after he was ex-
pelled from the senate.

**Texas To Open
Branch School
In Mexico City**

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 24.—Special
training for American school teach-
ers of Spanish—plus \$100 bonuses—
will be available at the Field School
of the University of Texas in Mexi-
co City next summer.

Dr. Villagran centered at Texas
University of the Institute of Latin-
American Studies, on matters relat-
ing to the 26th session of the sum-
mer school session. He has just re-
turned from Canada and the eastern
states where he has been delivering
lectures on Mexico, making radio
addresses and interviewing pros-
pective students.

Spanish teachers interested in the
course should write the U. S. office
of education, Washington, D. C.

"JERK WATER" NO LONGER

It is no longer necessary to slow
down a train to refill the boilers
with water, writes G. B. Swanson in
Capper's Farmer. Through use of a
new device, locomotives can scoop
up water from track pans while go-

ing 80 miles per hour. The school is
lowered with air pressure into 4 1/2
inches of water. It takes on about
2 1/2 gallons per lineal foot, or 5,000
gallons in 2,000 feet. Formerly loco-
motives slowed to 35 miles per hour
when taking water—thus the term
"jerkwater."

HOLIDAY Greetings

And a Happy, Joyous
New Year to
You All

Along with our heartiest and sincere wishes
for the best Christmas ever we want to
thank you for your cooperation and patron-
age.

FRANKIE'S CAFE
115 E. Kingsmill Phone 9566



*Merry
Christmas
to all*

On the Mound of Memories

ZALE'S
Jewelers.



**Season's
Greetings!**

"Jingle Bells, Jingle
Bells." Christmas is
here at last. We
take time out to
send you this heart-
iest greetings.



**JOHNSON'S
CAFE**
200 N. Cuyler



**TO
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*Merry
Christmas*

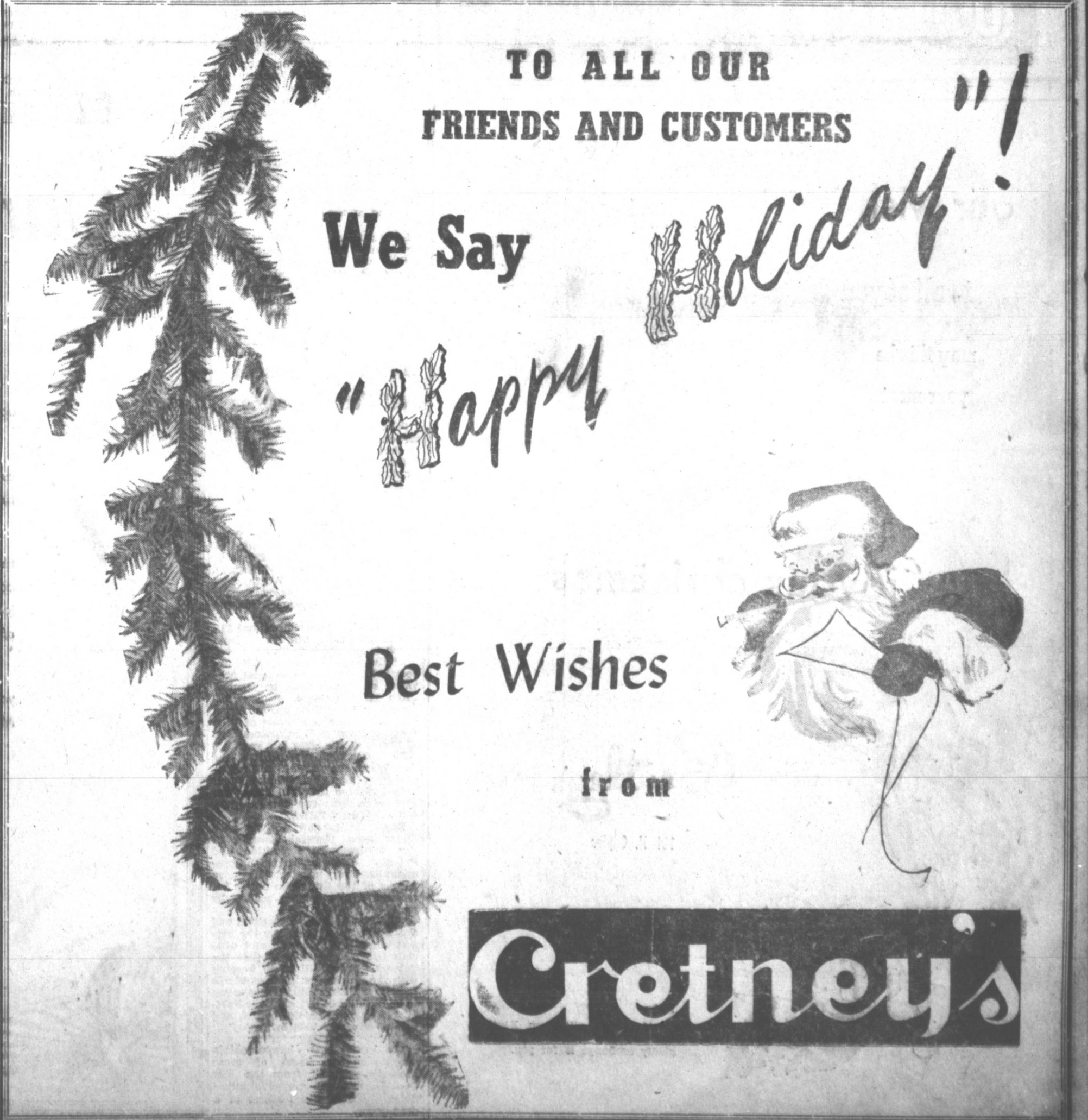
Thanks for Your Friendship and
Patronage, and—HAPPY NEW YEAR!

BRUMLEY'S FOOD STORE
308 W. Foster Phone 730



*Christmas
Greetings*

LEVINES
TWENTY FIVE YEARS OF DEPENDABLE SERVICE



**TO ALL OUR
FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS**

We Say *Holiday!*

"Happy"

Best Wishes

from

Cretney's

Dollar Value of Sales Reported Up

AUSTIN, Dec. 24—(AP)—The University of Texas bureau of business

research reported today that the dollar value of retail sales in 40 Texas department and apparel stores through November was up 13 per cent over the same period last year. Sales dropped 0.4 per cent in November from the preceding month, the report said, but a gain of 11.6 per cent was indicated over November of last year.

Greatest gains were reported in San Antonio, up 22.1 per cent last month over November of 1944. Sales for the 11-month period this year also climbed 22 per cent above last year's figure in San Antonio, the report said.

Volume for 1945 was up in all Texas cities surveyed, but a November decrease was noted in Beaumont both from October of this year and from November of last year.

The "Lindbergh Law" passed by congress in 1936, provides a 10-year federal prison sentence for any person convicted of handling kidnapping ransom money.

Santa Claus (Ind.) Receives The Season's Mail Scrawl



Postmaster Oscar L. Phillips of Santa Claus, Ind., mops his brow as he undertakes the task of sorting

hundreds of letters inscribed in childish scrawls to popular Mr. Kringle.

By NEA Service

SANTA CLAUS, Ind., Dec. 24—The Santa Claus post office has been busily preparing for the greatest Christmas season since the war began.

The only Santa Claus postmark in the world has been neglected, but the villagers here tidied the make-believe parks and gave a face-lifting to the statue of old Kris Kringle, moldy and eroded from four years of war neglect.

Post office officials consider the town in an official light. All letters mailed by thousands of children addressed to "Deer Sandy Claus" are sent to Postmaster Oscar L. Phillips, Legionnaires, local Santa Claus Post 242, answer all mail with a form letter reply. All legion posts in Southern Indiana contribute to the cost.

Big business firms from outside help to maintain the legend. Business firms employ the postmark for mailing Christmas dividend checks, special holiday literature and gift packages. Many single letters are sent to the post office for re-mailing.

The boom spirit has taken hold. A new toy firm is going ahead with plans for a factory and local residents envision an American Nuernberg, after the famed toy manufacturing city in Germany.

Another top maker's factory is humming with post-war activity in the production of wooden tops, from rocket-planes to head-bobbing ducks.

Candy castles and enchanted forests are being redecorated. Locations are being made ready for new buildings. All improvements are in mood with story book ideas of childhood and in keeping with the fairyland atmosphere already present.

Letters from thousands of children, mailed from every part of the nation and hundreds from overseas, flood the post office. They ask for drums, horns, scooters and all the other things children want.

Huge Entry Expected In Palomino Event at Fort Worth Exposition

Palomino Horse Breeders from all sections of the Nation will gather in Fort Worth, March 8-17, for the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show which is scheduled to be the scene of the largest Palomino event ever held in Texas.

Plans for the Palomino event were announced by Howard B. Cox of San Angelo, President of the Palomino Horse Breeders Association of America and Dr. Arthur Zappe of Mineral Wells, Secretary-Treasurer. J. T. Boothman, Fort Worth, Secretary of the Texas Association, is in charge of arrangements for the show.

Officials have announced that \$3,000 in premiums will be offered which is top figure in Texas.

At the present time officials expect 200 horses to be entered provided stall space can be secured. From all indications at least 100 owners will sow their horses. As an example of the magnitude of the event, there were 52 exhibitors and 92 horses at the show last year.

Six states were represented at the Fort Worth show in 1945 and breeders from many additional states have indicated they will attend the 1946 event. Forty-two states are now affiliated with PHBA.

Boothman is now working with Edgar Deen, General Manager of the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, preparing the premium list. Every member will receive a copy of the list, while others interested should make a request by mail.

"The Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show is set for the biggest show in its history and officials are pleased to note that the Palomino event will be in keeping with the progress of the Fort Worth Exposition," Deen said. "There seems to be little doubt but what the Palomino Show will be the biggest and best of any ever held in Texas."

The legend that hummingbirds migrate on the backs of geese probably stemmed from the fact that large insect parasites sometimes fly from the feathers of a dead goose.

Air Express Rates Will Be Reduced in Four Texas Cities

DALLAS, Dec. 24—A tariff to reduce its International Air Express rates between four Texas cities, international air cargo gateways, and Mexico City, has been filed by Braniff Airways with the Civil Aeronautics Board, Guy M. Springer, Air Cargo Manager, announced today.

To be effective January 10, the supplemental tariff will cut air express rates from Dallas and Ft. Worth to Mexico City from 40 to 36 cents a pound; from San Antonio, 33 to 30 cents a pound; and Laredo, 26 to 24 cents per pound.

Another step in the airline's peacetime cargo expansion plans, the air express reduction follows the recent inauguration of Braniff's airfreight program with record-low rates for volume shipments.

ANIMALS THEIR OWN DOCTORS
Wild animals doctors themselves very effectively, according to Gib Swanson, writing in Capper's Farmer. A wolf when bitten by a rattlesnake was observed eating snake-rot. The wild turkey hen during a rain spell will compel her babies to eat the leaves of the spicebush. Bears smear their wounds with spruce or hemlock resin, sometimes with clay. The chimpanzee or gorilla when injured seriously will close the wound with packings of astringent leaves.

When English was in its infancy, many words were pronounced differently: pair for peer, merchant for marchant, clerk for clerk, o-wen for own, hyer for her and hay for he.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

We send you a message of good will with the festive day . . . May the spirit of Christmas and all it means abide in your home to bring you cheer.

HILLSON COFFEE SHOP

308 W. Foster Phone 175

YOURS

For a **JOLLY** Christmas

AND

HAPPY-NEW-YEAR

It's a pleasure for us to be able to extend our felicitations to you for a most wonderful Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with joy and happiness for you and yours.

YOUR BETTER VALUE STORE

102 S. Cuyler Phone 1140

WHITE'S AUTO STORES

our wish

to all of you

may this be

your most

joyous christmas

Bentley's

101 N. Cuyler

p. s.— if santa's gift from Bentley's wasn't the correct size, we will gladly exchange it for you.

Efforts Made to Settle Strife

BATAVIA, Java, Dec. 24—(AP)—British Lt. Gen. Sir Miles G. Dempsey and Air Chief Marshal Sir Keith Park made a flying visit to Batavia today as British forces campaigned against Indonesian troops east of Bandoeng, the summer capital.

Dempsey is the allied ground forces commander and Park the chief allied air officer for the southeast Asia theater. They took off again only a few hours and nothing authoritative could be learned about the purpose of their trip.

(J. H. A. Logemann, Netherlands minister for overseas territory, told the lower house of the Dutch parliament at the Hague today that full use will be made of Netherlands troops in the islands.)

Nine Batavia-based RAF planes blasted roadblocks and nationalist strongpoints east of Bandoeng to clear the line of march for British ground troops.

One pilot said that the planes fired rockets and dropped bombs which "obliterated" all trouble spots.

The United States consumes each year about 7,000,000 tons of sugar.

WE WISH

Christmas Joy

TO EVERY GIRL AND BOY

DES MOORE TIN SHOP

111 E. Kingsmill Phone 102

Our Message To You

The spirit of Christmas is best expressed in remembering and acknowledging to our friends what they have meant to us all year.

In the busy hustle and bustle of every day business pursuits, especially during the last few hectic years, we often have not had time to pause and tell you how much we appreciate your friendship.

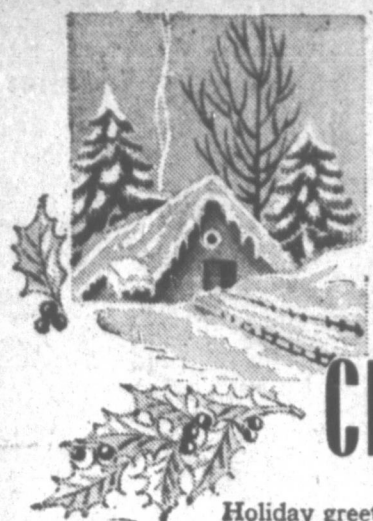
We are grateful, too, for the patience you have shown under the trying conditions; and we are sure you understand that we have done everything possible in our business relations to give you service quality and value. We are sure that each year will see the bond of friendship between us grow stronger.

We take this opportunity, therefore, to extend to you and yours the best wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year—from McCarley's.

May Peace endure!

McCarley's

THE HOME OF FINE DIAMONDS, WATCHES AND SILVERWARE.



A HAPPY CHEERFUL CHRISTMAS

Holiday greetings to each and everyone of our friends.

AND A

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Holiday greetings to each and everyone of our friends and customers.

SERVICE LIQUOR STORE

523 W. Foster Closed Christmas Day Phone 242

Christmas Story One of Greatest Of All Time

(Editor's Note: The story of Christmas will always be one of the most beautiful ever told. Here it is as it is told in the Bible and by great writers. Throughout nearly 2,000 years — years that have seen many wars, the spirit of Christmas still survives.)

And there were in the same country shepherds watching, and keeping the nightwatches over their flock. And, behold an angel of the Lord stood by them, and the brightness of God shone round about them, and they feared with a great fear.

And the angel said to them: Fear not; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, that shall be to all the people:

For this day is born to you a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord, in the city of David.

And this shall be a sign unto you: You shall find the infant wrapped in swaddling clothes, and laid in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly army, praising God and saying:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men of good will. And it came to pass, after the angels departed from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to

another; let us go over to Bethlehem, and let us see this word that is come to pass, which the Lord hath showed to us.

And they came with haste; and they found Mary and Joseph and the infant lying in the manger.—Luke 2:8-16.

Hark the herald angels sing, "Glory to the new born king." Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled! —Charles Wesley.

To be honest to be kind—to earn a little and to spend a little less, to make upon the whole a family happier for his presence, to renounce when that shall be necessary and not be embittered to keep a few friends but these without capitulation—

Here is a task for all that a man has of fortitude and delicacy.—Robert Louis Stevenson.

As long as war is regarded as wicked it will always have its fascinations. When it is looked upon as vulgar, it will cease to be popular.

—Oscar Wilde.

And you in churches, praying this Christmas morn.

Pray as you never prayed that this may be

The little war that brought the great world peace.

And who knows that God may hear the prayer

So it may come about next Christmas day.

That we shall hear the happy children play

Gladly, aloud, reminding of the dead.

—By Richard Le Gallienne.

Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and evil-speaking be put away with all malice; be ye kindly affectioned one to another in brotherly love, in honor preferring one another.

If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.

Therefore if thine enemy hunger feed him; if he thirst, give him drink; for in so doing, thou shalt heap coals of fire upon his head.

Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

—St. Paul.

I see the wrong that round me lies, I feel the guilt within;

I hear, with groan and travail cries, the world confess its sin.

Yet in the maddened maze of thins, and tossed by storm and flood,

To one fixed trust my spirit clings: I know that God is good!

—Whittier.

"A Merry Christmas, Bob!" said Scrooge, with an earnestness that could not be mistaken as he slapped him on the back.

"A Merrier Christmas, Bob, my good fellow, than I have given you for many a year! I'll raise your salary and endeavor to assist your struggling family, and we will discuss affairs this very afternoon, over a Christmas bowl of smoking bishop, Bob! Make up the fires and buy another coal-shuttle before you dot another I, Bob Cratchett."

—Dickens.

Our hand is our living.

AP Writers Get Christmas Spirit Early for Party

By JACK BUTLEDGE

Associated Press Staff
Between news stories, the Dallas Associated Press bureau threw a surprise party—right in the office—for a very surprised young woman editor who plans soon to swap a pencil for a rolling pin.

To most newspaper readers the Associated Press is just a couple of gold letters surrounded by a pair of parentheses, to wit: (AP).

But we have a hunch that from now on, when Evelyn Edwards sees (P), it will remind her of an unexpected assortment of kitchen utensils that appeared all over and around her desk when she went to lunch one day.

Evelyn came to the AP from the Valley Evening Monitor of McAllen. She has worked several desks—the relay, the Mexico wire, the big city desk, the pony.

She quickly became a favorite, for despite her skirts she asked no quarter from the few remaining male editors.

She's going to marry Capt. Don Delaney of St. Louis, a returning war veteran. The staff decided to give her a surprise shower.

Sports Editor Harold Ratliff escorted her to lunch to see she would not get back too quickly. Editor Dorothea Lyle swung into action, aired by others of the staff.

On clothesline strung in front of the desk appeared kitchen gadgets of all sorts. The desk was cluttered with things still strange to most men.

Signs read: "For editing potatoes," "When you brush your pots and pans, shed a tear for (AP)," "Rolling pin—use on soft dough or on hardheaded husband."

Another read: "Six assorted cooking aids." It was attached to six can openers.

Another read: "Advance material—for future use." It had pictures of a baby on it.

Well, Evelyn came back. She blushed, stammered, gasped.

To complicate things further, Marvin Brau had put an urgent message on her desk, saying Chapultepec Castle had collapsed in Mexico City, and something had to be done quickly to get the story.

Evelyn hasn't fully recovered yet.

Halt the flood waters that wash away our land.

Merry Christmas

To each of you we extend to you our very best wishes for a most pleasant Yuletide Season. May this Christmas be your biggest.

Paul Crossman
Refrigeration Company

FRIGIDAIRE
BENDIX HOME LAUNDRY



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

From the

McWILLIAMS MOTOR CO.

(Formerly Safety Lane)

HOME OF HUDSON AUTOMOBILE AND GENERAL TIRES

417 S. Cuyler

Phone 101

Christmas Greetings

On this first peacetime Christmas in five years, let us pause and pay our humblest respect to Him whose birthday this holiday symbolizes — let us work and pray toward the goal of universal peace, permanent peace; let not the joy of peace dim our eyes to the purpose of our sacrifices.

This year let us pledge to our friends and customers the best service and work . . . we hope to be able to soon improve our present schedules and in so doing serve you better.

Your Laundry & Dry Cleaners

P. D. FERGUSON

OWNERS

B. M. ENLOE

MERRY

Christmas

And Heartest Greetings of the Season to You!



This is the merriest, gayest and most joyful Christmas we've had in many years. Let us pray this Christmas, that never again will the record of man's achievement be stained by blood shed in war! So season's greetings to you—and may your Christmas truly be a Joyous one!

Ideal Food Market

BETTER FOODS FOR LESS

No. 1
220 N. Cuyler
Phone 330

No. 2
306 S. Cuyler
Phone 1311

Vermont As Canadian State Hinted in Old Manuscript Uncovered

report purchased in Boston recently. The report, dated Jan. 12, 1782, was written by a Vermont legislature committee...

Meeting Falls Nothing came of the confab, however, as both New Hampshire and New York were reputed to be opposed to Vermont's admission...

script did not explain what assistance Page gave Col. Allen, adding: "But it must have been forceful to land him in jail."

If it were not for artificial light our nights would be devoid of colors, relieved only by a contrast of moonlight and shadows.

LIGHTING TIPS for HOMEMAKERS

Any woman who uses a sewing machine should know that there is one place where plenty of light is an absolute must...

any one room — nor shade shapes — nor colors. Lamps that are to be placed near figured draperies or wallpaper look best when fitted with plain colored shades.

Challenge May Be Issued in Melon Argument

DALLAS, Dec. 24.—(AP)—If what Governor Coke Stevenson of Texas had to say about Texas watermelons doesn't convince South Carolina that Texas melons are the largest, he may have to challenge the governor of South Carolina, he indicated today.

Screenplay for Movie Will Be Written by University Teacher

AUSTIN, Dec. 24.—Dr. E. P. Conkle, University of Texas playwright, has been contracted to write a screen play of John Steinbeck's "Cannery Row" which will be produced in Hollywood by Bernie Bryson.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE



WITH MAJOR HOOPLE



OUT OUR WAY



BY I. R. WILLIAMS



PRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



Ah, Romance



BY MERRELL BLOSSER



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



ALLEY OPP



Easy There, Bess



BY V. T. HAMLIN



OUR HEARTIEST well wishes

to extend to you our very best wishes for a Merry, Merry Christmas. Modern Pharmacy.

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



Well, Yes



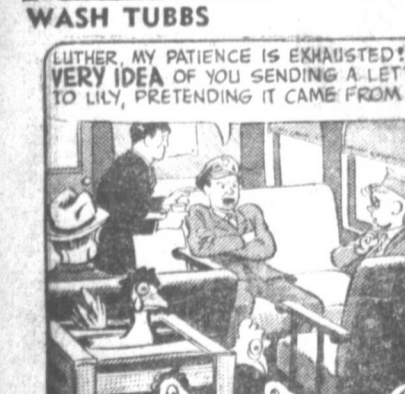
BY EDGAR MARTIN



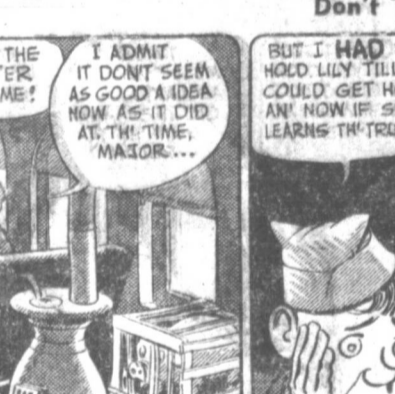
WE HAVE SO MUCH to be grateful

for this Christmas. For the return of our own and the many other service men and women who have come back to us...

WASH TUBS



Don't Tell Lily



BY LESLIE TURNER



WE ARE quite old-fashioned over here

Old-fashioned enough to know that to merit the confidence of the entire community every transaction we make must rest upon the solid foundation of full value given.

RED RYDER



End of the Line



IN SAYING Happy New Year to you

we are not only thinking of the 1946 new year holiday but of your future good fortune in the year to follow.

AGAIN glad bells are ringing

their message loud and clear; best wishes, friends to all of you, to all a bright New Year. Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Ulrich, The Plains-Dexter Co.

PENNY



IF EVERYBODY REMINDS ME TO

write our Congressman about that!

WE ARE happy to join with our friends

in wishing everyone happiness and a prosperous New Year. Pampa Hardware Company personnel.

OUR BUSINESS is new but we have made many friends

and customers since we opened the Economy Furniture Co. and we pledge to do our utmost to merit your continued good will.

IF WE have helped you to find a home

this past year, we are glad we could serve you. We wish you all a Merry Yuletide and a sincere wish for your family's happiness in the New Year. C. H. Mundy, Realtor.

CHRISTMAS comes but once a year

and its glorious spirit in the traditional American way. Good cheer and good tidings. M. H. Downs.

IRVING'S Furniture Store has enjoyed a good year

and has thoroughly enjoyed helping you to make your "home" a "home." We sincerely hope you'll have a successful 1946.

WE ARE happy to join with our friends

in wishing everyone happiness and a prosperous New Year. Pampa Hardware Company personnel.

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Much-Discussed Christmas Necktie Dates Back to Egyptians, Greeks

Tomorrow, many will open packages to find the necktie they had expected—or maybe a pretty one. Perhaps our cravat-receiver will wonder why on earth the tie was ever invented, and by whom. It is likely most men have wondered about the tie hundreds of times in past years.

First necktie that could definite-

ly be called a tie or cravat is discovered by research to be that worn by French soldiers of the Croatian regiments in the 17th century, starting about 1667. French for cravat at that time was "Croatavate," from which word "cravat" derives. The scarf loosely tied about the Croatian neck was copied with a variation in 1692 by French officers

FIRST CHRISTMAS TOGETHER



Although his daughter, Kay, is "going on four", this Christmas Capt. John Hiett's first experience at "playing Santa Claus" for her. Above, in a toy store in their home town of Corpus Christi, Texas, Kay tells Santa she'd like a doll. Hiett was in Florence, Italy, last Christmas; in North Africa the year before, and at Key Field, Miss., three years ago. He is in the army air forces intelligence service. He had only one visit with Kay, when she was two months old, before going overseas. (AP Photo)

in the Steindirk campaign against the traditional Teutonic foe. The officers' way of tying the cravat was regarded as attractive, and widely copied in the court of Louis XIV. The ties were called "Steinkirks." The result did not look like the present necktie, for the cloth was large and loosely tied, but the same knot was used. Before the cravat, in the late 16th century, the starched and pleated ruff had become popular in England and Holland, and eventually elsewhere. Its vogue was brief. This large shawl-like cloth was worn either completely encircling the neck or open in front. And it was part

of the tunic. (This was before the evolution of the coat.) Up to this time the nearest approach to a necktie had been different types of shawls, and thin ribbons with pendant medals. Such decorations had flourished throughout Europe. As far back as 2600 B. C., artifacts reveal, metallic necklaces, beads and leather "dog collars" had been worn by Greek and Egyptians. The Assyrians of the 9th century B. C. had shown a preference for pearl strands, so popular for evening wear with modern women. The 17th and 18th centuries in Europe and the American Colonies saw the elaborate development of lace jabots (origin of many unknown); it was not until the 18th century that the tie as now known began to appear. It was usually quite broad, and worn in a variety of colors. Sometimes the "shoestring" tie would enjoy a brief popularity. Now, almost everyone wears them, although their original function of decoration is usually lost; they seem to be worn only from being considered proper, especially with white shirts. Some effort has been made of recent years in national magazines and small local movements to do away with the practice of wearing ties at all. But this year they are still acceptable Christmas presents.

Buck Teeth Are Asset to Daley

By GENE HANDSAKER
HOLLYWOOD—Cass Daley, the radio singer and movie comedienne, ain't party. She's on the scrawny side. She has wide-spaced buck teeth.

This brash gal with the steam-whistle voice is, as the saying goes, a hundred per cent, she's real people. She turned her handicaps into assets and believes most people can do the same.

"I used to be sensitive about my teeth and would smile like this," Cass made a funny grimace, pulling her upper lip over her protruding teeth like a horse suppressing a yawn. "Then I met my husband. I was singing at Murray's, a night club in Tuckahoe, 20 miles from New York City. Ballads—no comedy.

"Frank (Kinsella), a real estate and insurance man, was a patron. He used to say, 'Your teeth are an asset. Why cover 'em up like that? You only make other people self-conscious when you do. Stick 'em out and smile.'"

Kinsella became her manager (he still is) and then her husband. Besides persuading Cass to bare her teeth, he encouraged her switch to comedy, wrote songs for her and devised a smash vaudeville gag in which, at the end of a number called "I Can't Dance," Cass elevated her skirts to disclose droopy red flannels.

I interviewed Cass on the "Ladies' Man" set where she had been rehearsing strenuous dance numbers that may have been why her hair was untidy. Cass was talking about handicaps.

"I was always sensitive, too, about a scar on my leg." I asked if it was much of a scar. For an answer, he pulled up her skirt and rolled down her right stocking. The leg was a solid scar from several inches above the knee to as far below. When Cass was 12 in her native Philadelphia, a sled runner mangled the leg so badly she nearly lost it.

She loves to swim but for years was too sensitive about the scar to don a bathing suit. Kinsella talked her into forgetting the scar. "He'd say, 'You're only hurting yourself.'" There were tears of reminiscence in her eyes.

Construction of the White House in Washington started in 1792. The building was burned by the British in 1814 and reconstruction began the following year.

Still Need a Good Bread, So the Xmas Dinner Will Be Complete?

By JANE EADS
WASHINGTON.—Mme. Wilhelm Munthe de Morgenstjerne, wife of the Norwegian ambassador here, has a recipe for a Christmas bread called Julekake which is delicious and easy to make.

- 2 yeast cakes
 - 1 1/2 cups milk
 - 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
 - 1 cup sugar
 - 7 cups sifted flour
 - 3/4 cup melted butter
 - 3 eggs, well beaten
 - 1/2 teaspoon Cardamom
 - 1 1/2 cups raisins
 - 1 cup sliced citron
- Crumble yeast in one-half cup of milk. Scald remaining milk. Add salt and two tablespoons of the sugar. When lukewarm add yeast and three cups of flour. Beat thoroughly, cover and let stand until sponge is light. Add butter, eggs, spice and remaining sugar, and flour. Mix thoroughly, knead and put into a large bowl. Cover and let rise until double in bulk. Cut down, add raisins and citron, knead until elastic and smooth. Shape into loaves. Place in greased tins. Cover and let rise again. Bake at 400 degrees Fahrenheit for 10 minutes, then reduce heat to 300 degrees for 40 minutes longer.

Madame Charles Brugmann, wife of the minister from Switzerland and sister of Secretary of Commerce Henry Wallace, picked the following recipe for Christmas cookies which the Swiss call "Cinnamon Stars":

- 3 egg whites
 - 1/2 pound sugar
 - 1/2 pound ground hazelnuts
 - 1 tablespoon cinnamon
- Stir egg white and sugar thoroughly for one-quarter of an hour, then mix with the other ingredients. Roll out about one-fourth of an inch thick on a board sprinkled with sugar. Cut out stars with tin cutters and bake in moderately hot oven.

Mrs. Thor Thors, wife of the Icelandic minister, stuffs her Christmas duckling or goose with dried prunes and halved fresh apples. She serves the fowl with browned potatoes, red cabbage and apples.

She boils the potatoes, then peels them and cuts them into small pieces. Then she makes a caramel sauce with butter and sugar and adds the potatoes. She slices the red cabbage very fine and boils in water, vinegar, sugar and a little salt. She uses as little water as possible.

She peels the apples, halves them and removes the cores. She then makes a syrup of white sugar and water and boils the apples for a few minutes in the syrup—a few at a time to avoid disintegrating. When the apples are cool she adds a teaspoon of jelly in the cores.

From the President of the United States' special train-telephone conversations can be held with any point in the world where telephone or radio telephone facilities are available.

Abrams Selected as Standard Oil Head

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Frank W. Abrams is the new chairman of the board of the Standard Oil Co. (N.J.), succeeding Ralph W. Gallagher, who will retire Dec. 31 after 49 years with the company. Gallagher started as an oiler with a Standard subsidiary, the New York Transit Co., at Olean, N. Y. Abrams joined the company in 1912 as a draftsman and is a vice president and director. Eugene Holman, president, was named chairman of the executive committee, from which Gallagher also will retire. Holman will continue as chief executive officer of the company.

A prism is a solid glass body of triangular shape.

Young Austrian Friesi Wrote Famed Carol During First War

By TRUDI McCULLOUGH (Baltimore Sun)

The night before Christmas in 1818, "Silent Night"—most beloved Christmas carols—had not yet been composed. But on Christmas Day it was sung for the first time by children in an Austrian village to the accompaniment of a guitar.

ing of the Christmas story that he sat down to write what he felt. The lines kept turning into verse: "Silent night! Holy night! All is calm, all is bright . . ."

A second knock at the door brought his friend, the organist, the schoolmaster, Franz Gruber, with word that the church organ had broken down. If there was to be music tomorrow it must be a very simple hymn since there was little time to rehearse the children. Gruber there and then composed the music for "Silent Night," later erroneously attributed to Hayden.

Next morning, with only a guitar to guide them, the village children sang the song that was to become the carol of the world.

Sung At Court of Saxony
Nearly twenty years later four brothers and sisters were asked to sing it at the court of the king and queen of Saxony. The journey of "Silent Night" had begun. It was introduced to America by bands of Tyrolean singers and bell ringers who toured the German-American communities that spring from Boston to Milwaukee.

And yet "Silent Night" and most of the other Christmas songs America knows are not really carols at all. They are Christmas hymns set to solemn music by such famous composers as Bach, Handel and Mendelssohn.

Strikingly speaking, carols are to be sung merrily and the term originally meant a dance. Perhaps the only real Christmas carol known to many Americans is "Deck the Halls With Boughs of Holly." Other real carols that appear as favorites are "Boar's Head Carols," and "Cherry Carols," the "Hunting Carol," and "Good King Wenceslas."

Simplicity of Music
America seems to be the one country in the world where the terms "carol" and "hymn" become interchangeable at Christmas time. But all the songs Americans have claimed as their favorite carols have one thing in common—extreme simplicity of the music. There is almost no choir or group anywhere that can make "Silent Night" or "Little Town of Bethlehem" sound unattractive.

The origins of all these songs are obscure and varied. As in the case of "The First Noel" or "Nowell," books engage in a genteel battle as to whether its genesis is English or French. Thus the two different spellings. It was first printed in England, but perhaps even there few people realize that the complete text of all its stanzas tells

the entire Nativity story as told to the shepherds by an angel.

Tune From Handel's "Messiah"
Another founded on Biblical text is "Joy to the World." Based on the ninety-seventh Psalm, it was written by an Englishman named Isaac Watts in 1719. Its tune is from Handel's "Messiah."

Charley Wesley, brother of the great John Wesley, wrote "Hark the Herald Angels Sing." The melody comes from the second chorus of a Mendelssohn cantata that was originally composed to celebrate the birthday of printing.

Luther Wrote Words
And Martin Luther wrote that children's favorite "Away in a Manger" for his own children, who formed a domestic choir. The origin of the music is in doubt.

"Oh Come All Ye Faithful" has no clear history, but its Latin origin is attested to by the fact that all present-day Latin countries have their own versions. It is believed it was once sung to a fast tempo and danced around the "reeche" or crib that was always set up to commemorate the Nativity. The carol's certain history began in 1751 when it was sung at Stonyhurst college. It was sometimes referred to as the Portuguese hymn because it was a favorite at the Portuguese chapel in London as well as at other Roman chapels.

Only one of the favorites is of strict American origin: "We Three Kings of Orient Are." Written by John Henry Hopkins, an Episcopal clergyman, in 1857, its dramatic stanzas imply that it may originally have been meant for a home-made drama in the village church.

Originally Song of Happiness
Some of the most interesting histories belongs to the songs that are properly carols. "Good King Wenceslas" was originally a spring-time song of happiness. In Bohemia, where Wenceslas ruled in the Tenth Century, street singers used to make their appearances in warm weather and sing these words about the King's extreme generosity as a hint to passers-by to loosen up their own pockets. Being associated with generosity, it naturally became a song of Christmas and gifts.

Five Pampa Boys Are Home for Holidays

BOONVILLE, Mo., Dec. 24.—Five Pampa boys, cadets at Kemper Military school here have gone home today to spend the holidays season with their parents and friends. They include:

Bob J. Davis, 805 N. Somerville; Charles A. Duenkel, 309 W. Brownling St.; G. Kenneth Hobbs, 1021 Christine; C. A. Huff, Jr., 708 N. Gray; Jackie T. Ward, 612 S. Cuyler.

Dickens Wrote His 'Christmas Carol' Over 100 Years Ago When He Was Disappointed Author

NEW YORK—All over America people are reading and having read to them Charles Dickens' immortal "A Christmas Carol," and it will have been read over the air many times across the land before another day has passed.

All over the country preachers will quote the work. Parents will dig out thumbing copies, and children will be told about Tiny Tim, and Old Scrooge and the rest of the immortal story.

And people will depict Dickens as he wrote it 100 years ago—a kindly, charming gentleman whose mind was filled with sentiment, whose heart overflowed with fine, milky human kindness.

It's the wrong picture. Dickens was as sour as only a disappointed author can be. He was stuck between two installments of "Martin Chuzzlewit," which was appearing serially in London and was doing much worse than its predecessors—the immortal Pickwick's adventures and "Oliver Twist."

He was in debt, too, and his relatives were hounding him on all sides. They made ridiculous requests for fantastic sums, and Dickens wore himself out granting them, or dodging them. And he was in the midst of a fight with his publisher.

The firm was Chapman and Hall, and Foster's standard Dickens biography describes the battle in detail. Dickens left the firm, but not without a few well-aimed blows. One of these is immortal, just like the "Carol." He made Samuel Carter Hall into Pickwick, in "Martin Chuzzlewit." The nice thing is that,

according to Foster, Hall didn't recognize himself. But shortly before Christmas of 1843 Dickens was seized with the idea of doing a special Christmas story—it was a habit with authors in those days. He got his idea, and he was transported by it. He wept, it is said, and laughed, and in the dark of the London night he left his house and took repeated walks of 15 and 20 miles, oblivious to London fog and footpads.

It was published just before Christmas, and sold 6,000 copies the first day, and 4,000 more almost immediately. But Dickens had expected 1,000 pounds and he actually got less than 700 pounds. It soured him on the "Carol" for quite a time, although not so much that he failed to write other Christmas conceits for succeeding Christmases.

And in the end Dickens won, for the "Carol" never has stopped selling, not in 102 years.

Comparable Loadings Reported by 'Road'

Santa Fe System carloadings for week ending December 15, were 24,418 compared with 24,391 for same week in 1944. Cars received from connections totaled 10,079 compared with 13,369 for same week in 1944.

Total cars moved were 34,497 compared with 37,700 for same week in 1944. Santa Fe handled a total of 35,041 cars in preceding week of this year.

Peasants Share Split Estates

AP Newfeatures
BUDAPEST—To 32-year-old Imry Kovacs, leader of the Hungarian Peasant Party, land reforms which split up huge estates and gave them to the men who worked them, has a simple fundamental basis, but he appreciates, he said, the problem they presented.

"There were 1,070 real estate owners who had 3,000,000 hectares of land," he said in an interview. "There were thousands of peasants who had no land except what was under their shoes."

"Hungary in its land reforms has distributed 2,300,000 hectares to 600,000 persons. Distribution has been accomplished, Kovacs maintained, in what has amounted to a bloodless revolution.

Now the country must be organized, the Peasant Party leader said, to make Hungary a farm producing nation again—and he promised that cooperative farming, on the American style, will be followed and not the collective type of Soviet Russia.

"The Peasant Party—it is not a Communist Party—had to be organized for the primitive masses of the peasantry who suddenly have been freed but are not yet ready to face the problems of democracy brought about by their agricultural revolution.

Mechanical Problem
"It is the mechanical problem that now is most difficult on the farm. When we can get tractors and other large machinery, it will be impractical to use them on small

holdings such as each peasant has. We propose that each man own his own small tools and that several farmers band together for the use of the larger implements. We intend to keep on individual type of farming. The Hungarian is an individualist and would not fit into state farming, such as Russia has."

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Junior Chamber Resumes Pre-War Christmas Street Decorating Plan

The first site that has greeted returning Pampa veterans during the last few weeks is the holly and spruce roping strung across most of the downtown streets.

These veterans many of whom left here shortly after the war started, had not seen this type of street decorations for four years and some of them have been heard to remark that it was the most wonderful thing they had seen.

The credit for the decoration of the city's streets goes to the organization whose membership was depleted to almost nothing by the war—the Pampa Junior chamber of commerce.

Over 50 per cent of the Jaycee members of 1941 went to the army or navy but the club is gradually building up to its old strength.

The undertaking of Christmas decoration was a big job—both financially and manually. Hard-to-get decoration materials were ordered some time ago but many of them did not arrive until last week and some were not obtainable.

But the decoration committee, under D. L. Parker, scratched together its meager resources and strung up the best decorations they could under the circumstances.

Next year, the club plans to branch out into home decoration with the aid of various other organizations. It is planned to place decorated Christmas trees on the lawns of the court house, the city hall and the post office.

Rev. E. Douglas Carver, in a speech to members of the Junior

Greeting Card Industry Gave Cards to GI's

So that the courageous men and women in the army, navy and veterans hospitals from Maine to California could send a "Merry Christmas" to their friends and loved ones during the holiday season. The Greeting Card Industry several weeks back made available two and a half million attractive Christmas cards for free distribution to them by the Camp and Hospital councils of the American Red Cross.

Fully understanding the emotional importance of Christmas to these war veterans, away from home and families, the Gray Ladies of the Red Cross personally visited the invalided heroes to present handy packets of Christmas cards for their personal use. They were well received everywhere.

These young Americans who have given so much in the struggle to make "Peace on Earth" a reality at

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chamber last week said he had found that the motto of the organization was: "We're for anything that's good for Pampa" and he pointed out that the Christmas decorating was one of the best examples.

CHRISTMAS IN BOUGAINVILLE



Released by U. S. War Department, Bureau of Public Relations. CHRISTMAS SERVICES IN BOUGAINVILLE JUNGLES—Soldiers of the 37th (Buckeye) Division in their homecoming this year will recall the Christmas spent in the South Pacific in 1943. Here before an altar in a thatched hut Chaplain Joel M. Waring, of Toledo, Ohio, conducts services for the 2nd Battalion, 148th Infantry.

Fireworks for Christmas Is An Old Latin Custom Brought from France to America

By GERALD TETLEY

AP Newsfeatures

To those who have sometimes asked why fireworks should be associated with the birth of Christ, the answer is that this was an imported custom which settlers brought from France to New Orleans.

Before it was introduced in this country, the Italians were using colored fire on December 25 and there was abundant evidence that the Spaniards also indulged in early pyrotechnics.

In the southern states, fireworks remain a Christmas "must" notwithstanding the fact that many cities and towns have enacted prohibitive ordinances because in so many instances Christmas joy was turned to Christmas grief in killings and maimings.

The paganistic motif bobs up again in the burning of the Yule Log which is certainly tied in inextricably with Christmas but which can be traced back to the word Jul and the Goths' festival commemorating the winter solstice.

Mistletoe is another Christmas custom which goes back to the white robed Druids who reversed it. They always cut it with a golden blade because they considered it a symbol of peace. In the early ages if two foemen met underneath mistletoe, they dropped their arms and embraced—hence the modern practice of kissing under mistletoe.

The Christmas tree is entirely Germanic in origin and first made its appearance at Strasburg in 1605. It was not until 1840 that the

Rockefeller Choristers Provide New Yorkers With Yuletide Music

By CARLE HODGE

AP Newsfeatures Writer

NEW YORK—At Christmas, as at no other time of the year, bustling Rockefeller Center strives to fulfill the boast that it is an overgrown but neighborly village surrounded by Manhattan.

Just as they ring through countless small American town squares, carols echo up from the cement valley between the Center's towering grey office buildings.

The 150 red and blue-robed Rockefeller Center Choristers sing, and thousands—late shoppers, tourists, servicemen and weary workers, fleeing homeward from their desks—stop quietly to listen.

This year, as in the past six, they will give two after-work candlelight Christmas concerts at the foot of a giant spruce in the Plaza, familiar to sightseers and movie-goers as the sunken ice skating rink. MIL

Miami To Hold Air Maneuvers January 4 to 6

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 24.—Three more persons, men or women—perhaps people who have never before been in an airplane—will be qualified pilots at the end of the 14th Miami All American Air Maneuvers, which will be held Jan. 4-6, inclusive.

Here is how it will come about. Each day during the maneuvers, a volunteer will be called for among the spectators. The only requirement is that such a volunteer must have had an automobile driver's license for at least two years. It will not be necessary that they ever set foot in an airplane. The only other requirement is that they have a desire to learn to fly.

Each day the selected candidate will be taken to an airplane, in which there will be an instructor. He will handle the throttle only, and the prospective flier will have full charge of the controls.

The fledgling will take off the ship from in front of the grandstand. Together they will fly to a schooling ground and there will undergo five hours of intensive training. As the meet closes each day the new flier will solo back into the maneuvers airport and be presented with a student pilot's license by a representative of the Civil Aeronautics Authority.

Sounds impossible, doesn't it? But the new planes are being built for such safe operation that almost anyone can learn to fly in five hours.

Another interesting feature of the maneuvers this year will be the selection of "Miss Aviation of 1946" from the field of aviation. The con-

CHIEF OF CHAPLAINS' CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

At this season of the year I want to send a special and personal greeting to each member of the brotherhood of chaplains. To you who are bringing the Word of Life to our men in the far corners of the earth, as well as to you who serve here at home and those who have returned to civilian pastorate, I send my warmest felicitations. Christmas, which has become a symbol of God's eternal solicitude for our well-being and happiness, affords me an opportunity not only to express to you my appreciation for your tireless and efficient labors but also to assure you that at all times you have been and will continue to be remembered in my prayers at the Throne of Grace. I know that your spiritual and mental needs are as great or even greater today, in the face of the problems of occupation, reconversion and peace, as they were in the days of combat, and I am entreating our Heavenly Father in your behalf. May the Spirit of Love, the spirit of this season, be with you throughout the coming year.

LUTHER D. MILLER Chief of Chaplains

test will be limited to not more than two stewardesses from each airline serving Miami, flying students or those holding student pilot's licenses or better, or flying Waves, Wacs, Spars, Women Marines and nurses. Contestants' pictures should be in the hands of the Miss Aviation Contest committee, Room 308, Dade county courthouse, Miami, not later Dec. 22. The final selection will be made at a public spectacle to be staged in Bayfront park, Miami, on the night of Dec. 28.

CRIME PAYS—AND TWICE

LONDON.—(AP)—Thieves broke into an outfitters' store and changed into new clothes, leaving behind them suits, overcoats and underwear stolen six months earlier.



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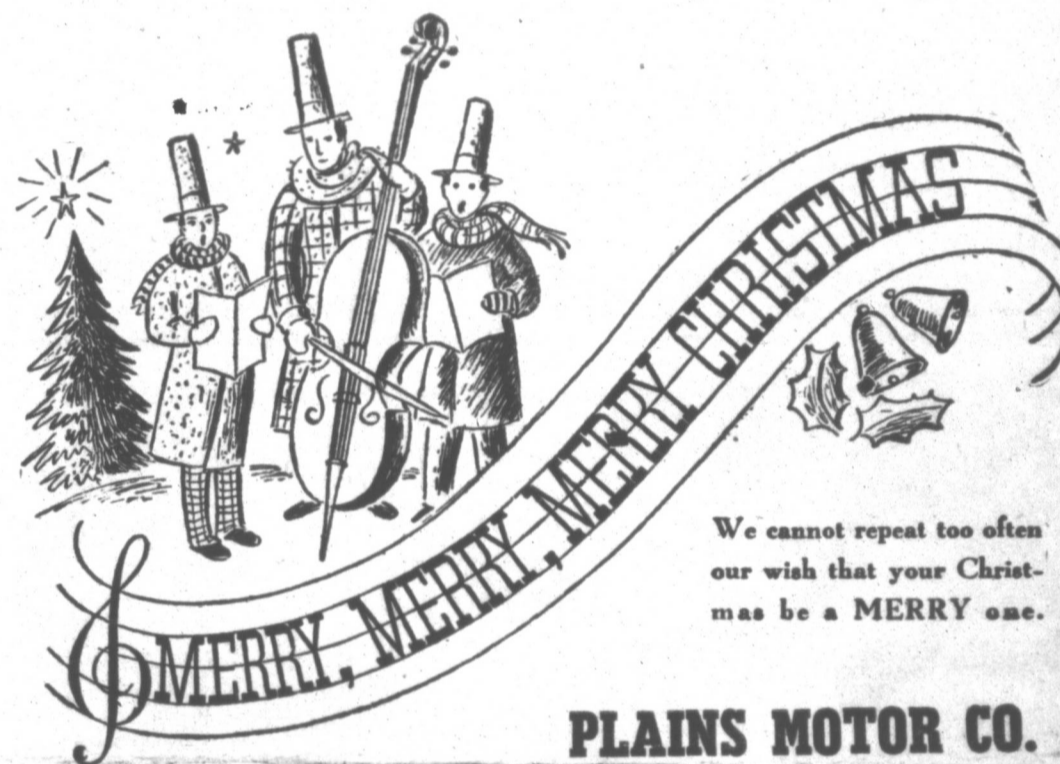
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More Used Fats Needed Urgently

Earl W. Jimerson, president, and Patrick E. Gorman, secretary-treasurer, Amalgamated Meat Cutters

and Butcher Workmen of North America, American Federation of Labor, speaking in behalf of all meat cutters and butchers in the country, ask for their continued cooperation in insuring the success of the Fat Salvage campaign.

The statement reads as follows: "One of the greatest contributions meat cutters and butchers can make at the present time is to encourage their patrons to contribute a steady flow of used fat, and to dispatch it without loss of time to renderers. This job our membership did so well during the war years has become even more important in peacetime.

"Fats and oils for industrial purposes remain desperately scarce. Industry is depending on used household fat collections of from 250,000,000 to 500,000,000 pounds during 1946 to help speed production of thousands of essentials. This poundage should easily be assured industry as meat is in plentiful supply which means more kitchen grease available.

"Our job is to cooperate, and it is a two-fold job. We must remind and urge the housewife to bring in used fat. In cases where this duty may not seem important to her since meat rationing has been eased, we should explain the continuing importance of fat salvage even though meat rationing has ceased. By constant reminders we can fix the need of continuing to save and turn in used fat firmly in the minds of our patrons, the public, and insure substantial increases in turn-ins.

"The other part of our job is to work in close cooperation with the renderer. Adequate pick-up service means that used fats will be put to industrial uses in short order. Pick-up problems that may arise should be reported so that they can be ironed out as soon as possible."




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GILBERT'S

'Nativity' Scene Is Reproduced by Texas Tech Woman Student

LUBBOCK, Dec. 24.—The world's most famous Christmas scene, the nativity, is originally interpreted by Jannie Lee Pointer, sophomore applied arts major at Texas Technological college. Miss Pointer toiled the figures, both animals and people, with the use of only a pocket knife from balsam, gum, juniper, cedar, white pine and spruce woods. They are finished in natural color with sandpaper, clear shellac and wax. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Pointer of Anton.

Sadder, Wiser



Teddy, South Bend, Ind., cocker spaniel, tried to chase a squirrel out on a 12-foot high tree limb, and broke both front legs in the resulting fall. However, a veterinarian fixed him up with crutch-casts, above, and Teddy manages to limp around, a sadder but wiser pooch.

Houstonian Shot By Duck Among Oddest Accidents

By The Associated Press Remember 1945? For most of America's millions it will mark a year of triumph and the end of history's most terrible war. Scientists may hail it as the birth of the Atomic Age. But Stanley J. Bonner of Houston, Texas, will recall that was the year he was shot by a duck. For the National Safety Council's annual roundup of odd accidents showed Mr. Bonner was one of a handful of hapless citizens to whom things happened that shouldn't happen to man or beast. Bonner went hunting in his backyard for a couple of domestic ducks. He dropped the first one, as planned, with a shot from his automatic pistol. The second duck, having different ideas, banked into his gun hand and the slug struck the hunter in the knee. The duck? Still alive and quacking. Fate was a shade more gentle with Mrs. Margaret Cook of Toledo, O. Her car blew a tire at a railroad crossing and careened down the tracks to greet an approaching freight. However, her car snagged a signal switch and threw a red block against the train, automatically stopping it. Taxi driver Ethel Sheffield's car also crossed her up and then tried to right things. Her cab skidded into a lamp post in Regina, Saskatchewan, in 16 degree below zero weather last January. She was knocked unconscious by the impact, but the crash set off a fire alarm box on the post and firemen rescued her from possible death by freezing.

High School Is Offered Veterans By Texas College

"Veterans who have not finished high school should not give up the idea of securing a college education." This announcement was made recently by Dean W. L. Howell of John Tarleton College, of Stephenville, which is a co-educational branch of Texas A. and M. college. Tarleton, he pointed out, is the only state college where high school work is offered in addition to the regular college courses. A great many veterans, upon learning this, have enrolled in the Stephenville institution and have made up their high school deficiencies. A number have taken refresher courses in the high school division prior to entering college. "Veterans desiring training of this type are entitled to the same benefits under the G. I. Bill of Rights as college students," he explained. Interested veterans should write the Registrar at John Tarleton college immediately for information relative to entering the next semester, which begins January 28, 1946. John Tarleton College offers, in addition to two years of high school work, the first two years of college work in the fields of agriculture, engineering, home economics, business administration, fine arts, music, and mechanic arts.

Sister Kenny Drive Extended

AUSTIN, Dec. 23 (Special)—Campaign dates for the Sister Elizabeth Kenny Infantile Paralysis Foundation Fund have been extended until January 1, throughout the nation, according to announcement received at state headquarters from Bing Crosby, national chairman. Due to interest in getting organized in Texas, the extension of time was welcomed. George G. Francisco, Jr., Texas chairman, said. The campaign was originally scheduled to end on Saturday, Dec. 8, which date had been proclaimed Sister Kenney Day by Governor Coke R. Stevenson. The Texas quota in the campaign is \$250,000. Chairman Francisco has notified all county committees, school committees, and special committees, at work in Texas cities, to continue their solicitations until January 1, or until they are completed.

Creator of Santa Claus First Drew The Old Boy During the Civil War

The first picture of Santa Claus appeared in this country in 1844 but he looks nothing like today what he did when he was first drawn. The first drawing showed Santa as a tiny elf squatting next to a fireplace and smoking a wee Dutch pipe—looking mostly like a dried-up skinny dwarf. Other artist tried to draw him more as they thought he should look—but all to no avail. Santa definitely wasn't making a good impression.

Nineteen years later, in 1863, with the Civil War at its peak, a young artist named Thomas Nast drew Santa just as he looks today—a big, hearty, fat-cheeked old boy, retaining his pipe-smoking habit and wearing a suit trimmed with fur collar and cuffs.

He's a bit more robust now, but still a jolly old soul, beloved by children throughout the land. Santa was but one of Nast's creations. He gained fame as a political cartoonist, shooting his ink-dipped barbs at Tammany Hall's Boss Tweed, creating the elephant that stands for the Republican party and the donkey that stands for the Democrats.

But he still found time to draw his rollicking Santa for the dozens of wood engravings that appeared in the seventies and eighties in the then popular magazines—Harper's Weekly, Harper's Young People and Harper's Bazaar.

Nast died in 1902 at the age of 62. Many of his original Christmas sketches are now in the print collection at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City.

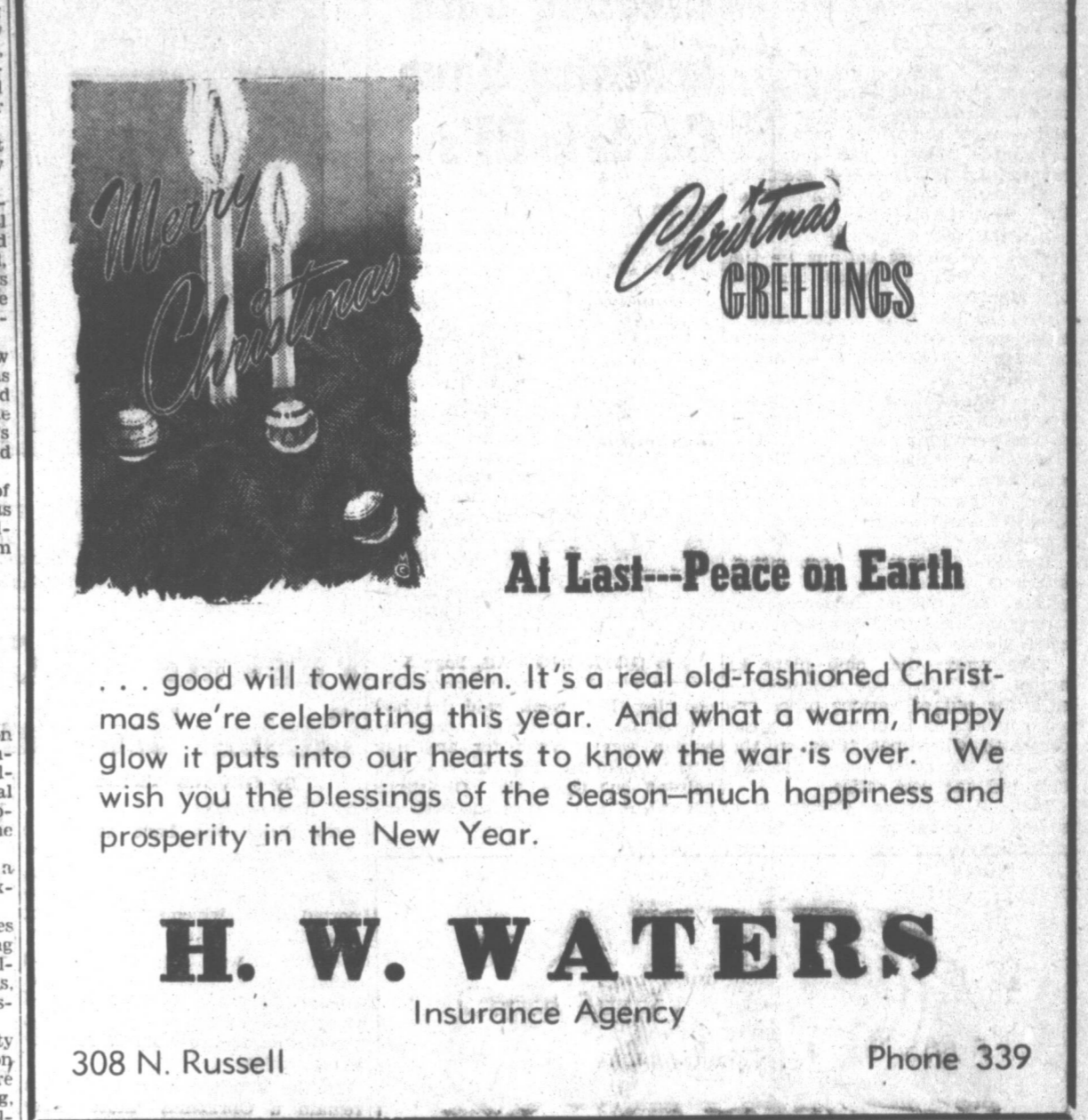
Textile Courses Being Offered

AUSTIN, Dec. 24.—An evaluation of the teaching of textiles and clothing is now being undertaken in colleges and universities of the Central states. Miss Elizabeth Tarpley, professor of home economics at the University of Texas, reports. Miss Tarpley recently attended a meeting of college teachers of textiles and clothing in Chicago. The evaluation program includes an examination of what is being taught in these subjects in the colleges, how effective the teaching is, what has been done, and suggestions for future work. Dr. Ralph Tyler of the University of Chicago, and Miss Beulah Coop of the U. S. office of education were in charge of the Chicago meeting, Miss Tarpley said. Only those col-

Pampan Among WT Chapel Fund Raising Leaders

CANYON, Dec. 24.—Students and student organizations of West Texas State have given more than one thousand dollars in cash and pledges to further the chapel building campaign. Individual donations included sums up to \$200. The Kappa Tau Phi and Gamma Phi sororities pledged \$100 each, and other groups

smaller amounts. Cash and pledges in the general drive now total more than \$18,000, according to records of President J. A. Hill. Student efforts in behalf of the chapel are being guided by Mary Evelyn Foster of Borger, Bob Kildore of Canyon, Lindsey Boyd of Pampa, Winnie Fred Ramage of Borger, and Waldeen Dorris of Canyon. Support of the building fund is coming from many Panhandle communities. The little chapel will be used for many campus religious services, lectures, recitals, and wedding ceremonies, but its program will not conflict with that of any local church.



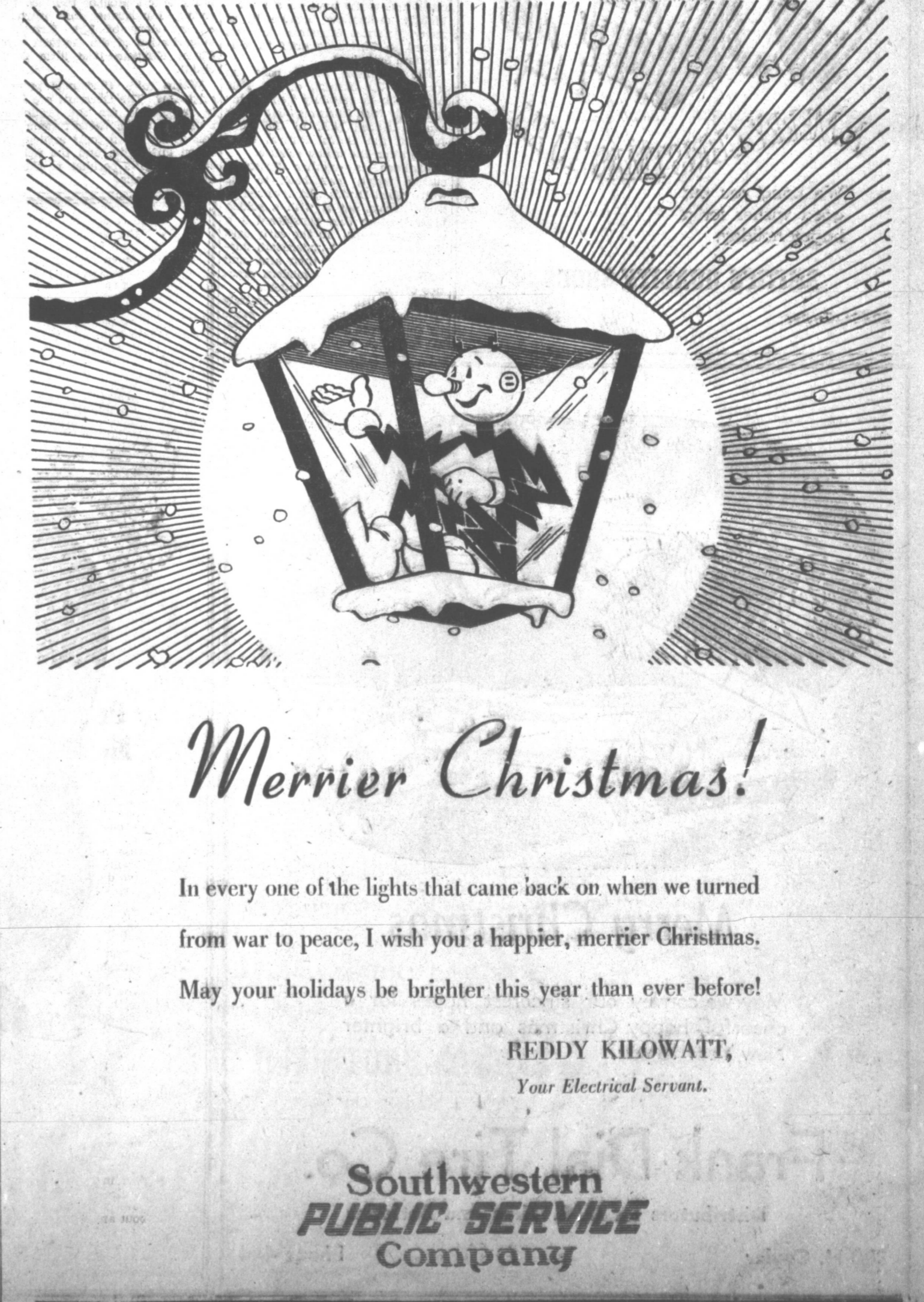
Merry Christmas

At Last—Peace on Earth

... good will towards men. It's a real old-fashioned Christmas we're celebrating this year. And what a warm, happy glow it puts into our hearts to know the war is over. We wish you the blessings of the Season—much happiness and prosperity in the New Year.

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Ex-Soldier Expresses Feelings of American GI's All Over the World

By AN EX-GI
(Written for The Associated Press)
(Editor's Note: The following story by a student of Texas Christian university at Fort Worth who served overseas and was a prisoner of war expresses the thoughts of all ex-service men this Christmas season.)
Christmas at home!
How many times during the past

few years I pushed that thought out of my mind. I was afraid to think too much of what it really meant.
The first Christmas, in 1941, there were only a few of us. I was confused and disappointed. My holiday furlough had been cancelled. The newspapers were full of forbidding headlines, the radios roared with

Texas University To Observe Week Of Religion Soon

AUSTIN, Dec. 24.—Religious Emphasis Week for University of Texas students has been set for January 27-February 1, 1946. Dr. DeWitt Reddick, chairman of the faculty committee on religious life, announced today.
Dr. T. Z. Koo, member of the executive committee for the World Student Christian Federation, will be the principal speaker at mass meeting to be held the first two evenings of the week. Dr. Koo of China, is recognized as one of the foremost Christian leaders of the Orient. He is now on a speaking tour of the nation sponsored by the Federal Council of Churches.
Other prominent religious leaders will be invited to participate in the week, Dr. Reddick said.
In addition to the campus-wide meetings, small group meetings will be held by every large student resident organization, and each religious group on the campus will have at least one meeting during the week.

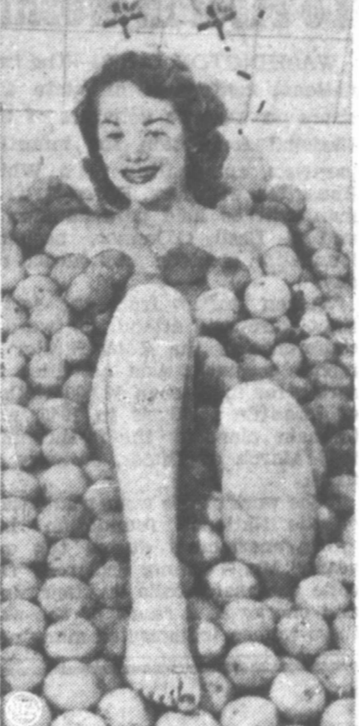
Amarillo Girl Will Represent WTSC at Sun Bowl Carnival

CANYON, Texas, Dec. 24.—Chosen by the Student Senate to represent West Texas State college in the Southwestern Sun Carnival, La Nell Ekelund of Amarillo will go to El Paso for the four-day event.
The sophomore specializing in art, Miss Ekelund has found time to be cheer leader with the College Variety Show, and to be a member of a leading campus sorority.
On New Year's day, participants in the Sun Carnival will witness the Sun Bowl football game. Sidelights of the carnival will include receptions, luncheons, dances and sight-seeing tours.

American People Have Opportunity To Lengthen Life

NEW YORK, N. Y.—The American people have a rich opportunity to raise their average length of life to 70 years in the near future, say the statisticians of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. The average lifetime in this country, they note, has already been increased by one third in the last half century, and is now 65 years.
"Already plans are under way in many areas of the country," say the statisticians, "for the expansion of health facilities and services, and for broadening and intensifying medical research. Even during the period extensive benefits were being derived from the use of sulfa drugs, penicillin, blood plasma, blood albumin, and other recent discoveries. The more widespread application of these effective medical weapons and of developments in the science of nutrition will undoubtedly reduce still further the toll of preventable death."
The prevention of accidents, the conquest of cancer, and greater attention to diseases of the heart and arteries will go far toward bringing the average length of life to 70 years.
"Accidents," the statisticians report, "overshadow by a wide margin every other cause of death throughout the greater part of life among white males. In the broad age range 1 to 14 years, accidents constitute almost one third of the deaths from all causes among these men, in the decade of life from 15 to 24 years, the proportion is as much as one half. Even among girls and young women the loss of life from accidents is large. It is clearly urgent that the extensive building and reconversion program now getting under way, safety receive prime consideration."
Diseases and conditions typical of later life, particularly cancer and the diseases of the heart and arteries, it is expected will receive increasing attention from medical and public health administrators. From the viewpoint of life conservation, it is important to note that even at the relatively young ages these causes take a large toll of life.
"Cancer, for example, accounts for one death in every ten among white women at ages 25 to 34; in the broad age range 35 to 64 years, the disease is the leading cause of death, accounting for one death in every four," the statisticians note.
"The reward we are seeking in these efforts to promote health is not just a longer lifetime. But, along with these added years of life, the goal should be to extend our years of physical and mental well-being. In this way, we may add greatly to the general welfare and to the joy of life generally," the statisticians conclude.

Orange Float



Florida version of the bubble bath is demonstrated by Lorraine Davies, of Orlando, recently chosen Queen Tangerine II. "Bubbles" are choice specimens of her namesake citrus fruit.

Solemn Note; Christmas Will Bring Serious Accidents To Many Homes

What a joyous occasion this holiday season is expected to be—especially for those who are welcoming a service man or woman back into civilian life. Lighted trees sending their warm glow into the night, plumes of smoke spiraling into the crisp December air from lit red chimneys!
But in that glow, in that smoke, is a persistent pattern—a question mark.
How many lives will be lost again this year in accidents peculiar to the holiday season? How many families will look back to Christmas, 1945, as the anniversary of personal tragedy?
It is too bad to inject restraint and caution into the holiday season, says Janet P. Gilliland, home advisor for the Gypsum association. But unfortunately, fire and its companion, tragedy, know no holiday.
"Safety rules for holidays are really very simple, especially now that electric lights have replaced lighted candles on Christmas trees," continues Miss Gilliland. "But it's a wise householder who carefully inspects all the wiring and lights on and near the tree.
"Cotton 'snow,' cut paper decorations, and celluloid ornaments should be used with care. Miss Gilliland warns, for they blaze instantly if a stray spark comes in contact with them. Dried branches of evergreen, holly and mistletoe, and tissue paper ropes not only invite fire but help it to spread with amazing speed.
"Should defective electrical equipment cause a fuse to blow, never replace it with a penny or other substitute. It's like tying down the safety valve on a steam boiler and building up the fire, Miss Gilliland asserts.
"Speaking of building up the fire, many a cheery blaze will be started in fireplaces which may not have been used for months. Before the holiday season ushers in weeks of cold weather all chimneys should be cleaned and checked for possible cracks or loose bricks. All wooden studs and joists near chimneys and flues should be protected by a fireproof material, such as gypsum wall-board.
One of the major danger areas of any home is the roof, where sparks falling on combustible shingles invite disaster. Roofs not protected with fireproof material should be closely watched. A ladder should be conveniently placed in order to reach any fire that might originate on the roof.
Many people are killed every winter in an effort to quicken fires

point, cleaning up after Christmas is one of the most important precautions. All greens should be removed from the house within a few days.
"A small amount of caution and forethought, exercised now," concludes Miss Gilliland, "will save many lives to celebrate another merry Christmas."
CUSTER FOUGHT HERE
WOODWARD, Okla.—A drive is underway to secure funds to place a marker on a farm where General Custer fought a battle with Indians who killed 100 cattle belonging to a rancher.
MODERN MENUS FOR IGLOOS—OUCH!
WASHINGTON.—(AP)—"Store food" is raising havoc with the teeth of Eskimos in Alaska, Dr. Oscar Mikkelsen, dental supervisor of the Office of Indian Affairs, says "observations in Alaska prove that the diet of very primitive Eskimos, almost completely cut off from white communities, was infinitely more conducive to keeping good teeth than the diets of Eskimos who have adopted 'store food!'"

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Farmer Produces A Mass Meeting

AP Newsfeatures
WALHALLA, S. C.—When 64-year-old W. M. Durham used to move they'd have to add a school teacher. At the place he left, they'd drop one.
That's because he had so many children—25 of his own and seven that a daughter died and left. His youngest now is less than a year old.
That's how it used to be. He doesn't expect to do any more moving.
Until a few years ago he rented farms and worked about on odd jobs.
Now he has a house of his own that he built with a Farm Security Administration loan. His farm covers 218 acres. And he's well ahead on his payments.
Despite his age, he works hard and is sprightly. He raises on his own land most of everything his family eats.
Durham has been married three times. Eleven children are by his present wife.
Seven of the elder children are married off now. Four of his own boys and four of the orphaned ones he raised served in the armed forces. One was killed.
But there are still quite a few young 'uns about and Sunday afternoon usually finds Durham on his porch, rocking the 10-month-old

America's only mountain division in World War II, the 10th, comprised about 15,000 men and 6,000 mules and horses.

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The world's first sanctuary for hawks was established in Pennsylvania in 1934 on a ridge where hunters used to slaughter the migrating birds.

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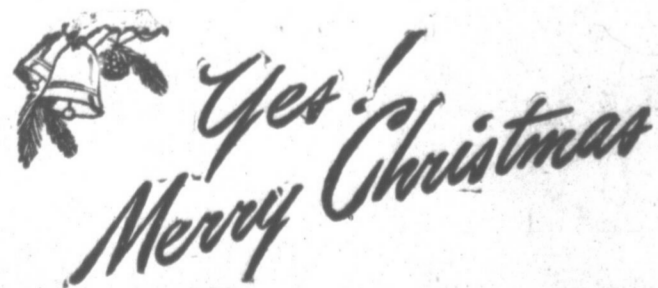


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**Travel Jam
Slows Poland
To a Walk**

**By LARRY ALLEN
AP Newsfeatures**

WARSAW — If you think you're having trouble getting train accommodations in America, you should come to Poland.

All of Poland's "crack" passenger trains are hopelessly antiquated and make an average of 15 miles per hour—if the weather is good.

There's no such thing as a sleeper or dining car. As a matter of fact, about half of the old wooden coaches don't even have windows, and right now it's mighty cold in Poland.

Travel bureaus, such as ORBIS, run on the lines of Soviet Intourist, are packed and jammed, day and night. It seems everyone in Poland is going some place—and that's going to continue until about 4,000,000 Poles are repatriated or resettled in the nation's newly acquired western territories and along the Baltic around Stettin.

Newspapers say the unpunctuality of trains is causing losses running into billions of zlotys. That is putting it mildly. The main labor hours lost would go a long way towards getting wrecked, firegutted Warsaw back on its feet if they were used for work, instead of waiting for trains.

There's virtually no such thing as a taxi. You just try to "bum" a ride whenever going to or from a station from some Russian passing by in a "jeep" or hailing the automobile of some Polish government official.

Anyhow, Poles do manage to get to a railway station, many of them with all their worldly possessions tied up in a shawl or a pack of clothing slung across their shoulders.

In the station, in Warsaw, as other Polish cities, there always are thousands of men, women and children—just waiting for a train.

It's never on time, so they wait anywhere from two to 20 hours after scheduled time.

The toot of the train whistle—it sounds like one on a peanut vendor's stand—launches a mad scramble to get aboard even before the weak, convulsive sobs of badly battered engines cease.

**Texan Awarded Medal
Of Honor Posthumously**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 — (AP) — First Lieut. James E. Robinson, Jr., Waco artilleryman who rallied and led a commandless infantry company in two assaults against tremendous odds in Germany, has been awarded the medal of honor posthumously.

Eight hours of desperate fighting over open terrain swept by German machinegun, mortar and small arms fire had decimated the 63rd division infantry company to which Robinson was attached as forward artillery observer on April 6, 1945. The commanding officer and most of the key enlisted men had been killed when he rallied the 23 remaining uninjured riflemen and a few walking wounded and led them in a charge near Untergreisheim.

Ten Germans threatened to stop the assault. The gallant leader killed them all and went forward with his men to sweep the area of all resistance.

Ordered to seize the defended town of Kressbach, he led the 19 exhausted survivors forward. In the advance he was wounded in the throat, but refused medical aid though mortally wounded until the town was taken. He then walked two miles to an air station where he died of his wound.

The medal will be presented to his widow.

A baby chick, peeping in its shell before hatching, will be quiet at the hen's warning cluck.

Red is red to the eye because it is composed of light ray vibrations of one wave length. Yellow comes from vibrations of a different wave length, and so around the spectrum.

Dot's Good, Chili



Chili Williams, ace model and screen actress who won pin-up fame with a snazzy polka dot outfit, still likes to put spots before your eyes—as evidenced by her latest creation, pictured above. She calls it "evening gown of the atomic age."

**Women Workers in Paralysis Drive
To Meet in Washington January 6**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24—The first national conference of state advisors on women's activities of the National foundation for infantile paralysis, culminating in a White House tea with Mrs. Harry S. Truman, will be held here January 6 and 7. Basil O'Connor, national foundation president, announced today.

Women leaders from the forty-eight states will attend the two-day conference at the Hotel Statler. Report on nationwide activities in caring for more than 13,000 victims of infantile paralysis in 1945, and to make plans for the forthcoming 1946 March of Dimes, January 14 to 31.

"The work of the women's division of the National Foundation has grown enormously during the war years," Mr. O'Connor declared. "Despite the many calls on their time and energy as a result of the war, these women inaugurated many new programs of service to victims of infantile paralysis. For example, the polo emergency volunteers were born only last summer.

**CHIEF BRIGHTENS UP—
BUT FOR WHOM?**

PONCA CITY, Okla.—(AP) —Attractive new cream colored drapes made their appearance in a place where you would least expect them—the police station here.

The idea came from Chief of Police Joe McPadden who wanted to "brighten the place up."

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3 Million Vets May Cash in on Education Plan

By ROWLAND EVANS, JR.
WASHINGTON.—How many veterans are going to cash in on their free educational opportunities?

Estimates are varied, but the Veterans' Administration (VA) wouldn't be surprised if between three and four million vets go back to some kind of studying, apprentice training or vocational rehabilitation before the time limit runs out.

That time limit is now fixed as two years after discharge, or after the official end of the war, whichever is later, but in no case more than seven years after the end of the war.

House Bill 3749, presently being processed from bill to actual law, will extend this time limit.

Number Grows

To date 107,000 veterans have taken or are taking some form of education or training under the GI Bill of Rights or the Vocational Rehabilitation Act. The latter is a special law designed to take care of disabled vets.

The total number of veterans eligible for either of these two laws now runs somewhere over 6,000,000. The figure is growing so rapidly that it's impossible to pin it down any finer.

But, using 6,000,000 as an approximate base at the present time, the percentage of eligible vets who have taken advantage of the GI Bill or Public Law 16 (vocational rehabilitation) is slightly less than 2.

If three or four million veterans do get into education or training under either law, it will mean that 23 percent of the eligible ex-servicemen and women will eventually go back to school or college or some other form of subsidized training.

Some Take Jobs

Judging from the 2 percent now in training, 23 percent seems to be a highly improbable figure. But a number of factors must be considered, such as:

1. Many of the 6,000,000 present-day veterans are now being absorbed into good jobs. Jobs won't continue to be so plentiful, and many of the present jobs may fold up. The veterans involved will then be candidates for school.

2. The average age of men coming out of the service is decreasing. Servicemen released before V-J Day worked their discharge for one of several reasons: They were too old for further service, they received "dependency" discharges, or they were seriously wounded.

3. Another bloc of veterans eager to resume their schooling can't do so now but may be able to when the subsistence allowance paid by the government is raised.

4. I have talked to some vets who've taken temporary jobs with the idea of experiencing a taste of civilian life without the restrictions of a college campus. But they haven't discarded the idea of going back to school at some future time. And there are many veterans who don't know exactly what they want to do but who are potential takers of GI education once they make up their minds.

Learn to Dance

Education under the GI Bill and Public Law 16 can take practically any form the applicant wishes. More than 400 veterans are learning how to be cooks, barbers and bartenders; 25,000 are in schools and colleges; two ex-Janes have their hearts set on becoming chorus girls, and are learning the intricacies of their chosen profession.

Many veterans are taking training-on-the-job, sometimes called earn-as-you-learn. An ex-Joe starts in at the bottom learning a trade. Until he becomes a fully-trained worker, the Veterans Administration pays him an allowance which, added to his small pay,

nets him about as much as the fully-trained worker receives.

Few veterans have gone into educational or training programs just for something to do. The subsistence allowance isn't high enough to warrant it.

A World War II veterans' organization recently made a survey of how veteran students were doing in comparison with non-veteran students.

The veteran rated better than his fellow, non-veteran student in mental, academic and social traits.

Veterans rated as well as, and in some cases better than, made students of comparable age during the pre-war years.

BUT JUST SOMETIMES

BARRANQUILLA, Colombia.—(AP)—A beggar who claimed to be blind, seized by the police as an imposter, excused himself by saying that he was blind from birth "but could see a little sometimes."

The marriage of James 4th of Scotland to Margaret, eldest daughter of England's Henry 7th, was called the Union of Thistle and the Rose.

Greeting Card

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Christmastime this year, were provided with a means of remembering friends and families that might not otherwise have been available to them.

Some months ago, The Greeting Card Industry conducted a survey amongst bed patients in several army and navy hospitals. From a wide variety of colorful Christmas designs, the G. I. Jones and James expressed a marked preference for Christmas greetings carrying the well-loved symbols of a "back-home" Christmas celebration.

These traditional expressions of an old-fashioned "Merry Christmas" helped the thousands of hospitalized veterans to have a reunion in spirit with those at home who will be thinking of them at Christmastime.

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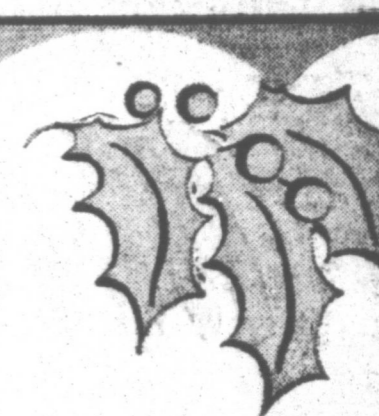
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History Center To Be Created At University

AUSTIN, Dec. 24.—The plan to create a repository of Texana in the old library building of the University of Texas, to be known as the Eugene C. Barker Texas History Center, is a fitting tribute to a man who has devoted a lifetime to the study, the teaching and the writing of the history of his native state.

Dr. Eugene Campbell Barker, teacher of history at Texas university for 46 years, is without doubt the state's preeminent historian. So distinguished is Dr. Barker's reputation in his beloved field, so painstaking has been his study and research over the years, and so widely admired and respected is he among all manner of men that his own life and works form an important chapter of contemporary Texas history.

Desiring to further honor this

Texan who for more than four decades has diligently pursued the chronicle of things past, the university board of regents at its November meeting unanimously approved the establishment of the Eugene C. Barker History Center.

Under the plan, the old library building on the campus, now occupied by a miscellany of offices, departments, classrooms and storerooms, will be made the permanent home of all writings pertaining to Texas history.

There will be housed the university's magnificent Texas collection of books, many of them rare and invaluable, dealing with the history of the Lone Star state; also the center will be the repository for the Texas archives—papers, letters, documents and pictures from the early days—and the university's collection of Texas newspapers, both of an early day and of the present.

From the standpoint of convenience to students, writers and others interested in Texas history, the center will be most valuable. At present, those delving into Texana must go to the first floor of the main library to examine the archives, drop to the basement if they are interested in the newspapers, and ascend to the fourth floor to reach the book collections. When the Texas History Center is established it will become the focal point, the gathering place, for all whose interests are inclined toward things historical—in fact, for all Texans interested in their state.

While plans for the creation of the history center are formulating, the man whose name it will bear goes his quiet way along the paths he has followed for a lifetime. Dr. Barker, who on November 10 observed his seventy-first birthday, still devotes his days to the reading, the writing and the teaching of Texas history. At present he is engaged in the "extra-curricular" duty of writing a series of historical sketches for Texas weekly newspapers in commemoration of the centennial of Texas' annexation to the Union.

Of his many writings, Dr. Barker's outstanding work is his "Life of Stephen F. Austin," often called the finest biography in Texas literature. He spent a quarter-century in the study and research that resulted in this distinguished work.

Of almost equal eminence in the field of Texas history is his eight-column compendium of the writings of Sam Houston, in which he collaborated with Dr. Amelia W. Williams, under the sponsorship of the university bureau of research in the social sciences. The two historians devoted eight years to this compilation, the last volume of which was published in 1943.

For 27 years Dr. Barker served as editor-in-chief of the Southwestern Historical Quarterly.

Born in Riverside, Texas, Nov. 10, 1874, the son of Joe and Fannie Holland Barker, Dr. Barker entered the University of Texas in 1895. He received his Master's degree in 1905 and his Ph.D. degree at the University in 1908. In that year he began his active teaching career as professor of American history at Texas university, although he had been

Texas Union Is Most Popular on College Campus

AUSTIN, Dec. 24.—The hub of student activity on the campus of the University of Texas—the Texas Union—furnishes students everything from their favorite home town newspapers to pin pong games, and dances in the Longhorn Room.

Club rooms, music rooms, lounges, card, ping pong and billiard tables are available all day and evening. Among the services is the Lost and Found department which has reunited 931 students and their misplaced possessions in the past year.

"Life is the favorite magazine for in-between classes reading at the Union," reveals Mrs. Loyce Spratt, director, in her annual report on periodicals. Current reading taste among students was shown in the order in which the high nine ranked: Life, Esquire, The Saturday Evening Post, Time, New Yorker, Collier's, Newsweek, and The American. During the year 27,695 magazines were checked out.

During this same period, 9,750 daily newspapers were read by the students with the Daily Texan receiving the most calls, with the Dallas Morning News, the Austin A-

merican and the Houston Post in that order.

"Ping pong is the leading amusement at the Union in the 'game field,'" the director said. "Billiards, cards, records and the only films for which there were formerly charges, are furnished the students now that we have a compulsory Union fee."

The Longhorn Room, which is the soft drink "night club" of the campus, is being enlarged to accommodate larger crowds of juke-box enthusiasts, the director announced.

Texas Women Pupils Contribute Packages For State Servicemen

AUSTIN, Dec. 24.—Women students at the University of Texas contributed 750 Christmas packages for servicemen in Texas army camp hospitals, Miss Margaret Hall, assistant dean of women, has announced.

Entirely voluntary, the gifts were given by women in dormitories, boarding houses, sororities, and co-

SEASON'S GREETINGS
INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Capt. Robert O'Neal, chief of state police detectives, doesn't know how to interpret a Christmas greeting he received from an inmate of the Indiana prison.

O'Neal's investigation of a burglary last summer led to a sentence of 10 to 20 years for the man. Written in ink on a conventional Yule card was:

"Thinking of you this Christmas. Wish you were here."

operative houses. A goal of 500 gifts were sent for the four groups.

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Pennsylvania-Born Shamrock Man Is Member of Family of 21 Children

SHAMROCK, Dec. 24.—(Special)—John W. Martin, a veteran of the Spanish-American war and pioneer resident of Wheeler county, is one of the most likable and interesting characters in Shamrock.

of scraps among ourselves," declared John A. Martin, "but just let an outsider start something, and we'd chip in together and let him have it."

Martin chuckled to himself and his eyes beamed as he recalled his boyhood days. He was next to the

Familiar Carol Once Frowned on By Church Men

AUSTIN, Dec. 24.—The familiar Christmas carol, now so beloved by all Christian peoples, once was frowned upon by the church because of its similarity to songs popular during pre-Christmas agricultural celebrations of the Persians and Chinese, Dr. Michael Winesaker, University of Texas professor of music, disclosed today.

Dr. Winesaker, who has been doing research into the history and meaning of musical forms, said the Christmas carol, now the symbol of the entire Christmas season, had to struggle for its existence.

"Various church councils tried to place a ban on the carol, he said, but it survived, and today our carols show definite influence from both church and secular songs," he pointed out.

Miracle and mystery plays of the 14th and 15th centuries, legends, and lullabies have colored the history of the English carol, which almost died out in the 17th century during the Puritan regime.

"It has been only within the past 50 years that collections of carols have been made which are of value today," the professor said. Among the outstanding collections of carols, he said, are the Oxford Carol Book, and the Branley and Stainer book, available in most libraries.

eldest member of a family of 18 children and had one half-brother and two half-sisters. Fifteen members of the family are still living. His parents were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Martin of Deep Valley, Pa.

"There was not much here I'll tell you, when I landed in Shamrock over 40 years ago," Martin stated. "Judge Small and Frank Exum ran general merchandise stores, and the First National bank was in a little wooden building."

He completed the eighth grade in the rural schools of Pennsylvania. He came to Shamrock from Oakland, Md., and purchased a quarter section of land in the Center community, where he farmed for a number of years.

He recalls the days when the North Fork of Red river had no bridge, and how he had to "pull that sand" when he came to Shamrock in a big farm wagon drawn by horses.

Mr. Martin was rural mail carrier out of Shamrock for 13 and one-half years and served as clerk in the office one and one-half years.

"I enjoyed carrying the mail more than any job I ever had," Martin declared. "I started collecting Indian head pennies along the mail route, when I had to buy stamps for folks, and I must have several hundred."

Martin likes to live in Shamrock because his friends are here, and his favorite hangout is the local post office, where he often waits for the mail to be put up, and visits with his numerous friends.

His pet peeve is bad roads, and he doesn't like to fish. Although past 70, he lives a very active life and has a keen sense of humor.

Mr. Martin has two daughters and three sons, two of whom have been in service. He is a member of the Shamrock chapter of the American War Dads, and a devoted member of the Baptist church.

Santa Claus Literally Goes Into Lumber Business for War Holidays

Santa Claus literally went into the "lumber" business for the four wartime Christmas day and reports indicate that the day of steel toys for children is practically gone.

Small children could detect little difference in steel and wood toys and parents seemed to be especially pleased with them.

Although prices, during war time, were high for wooden toys, mass production and descending material prices will bring them down perhaps below the pre-war steel toy prices.

Perhaps the best reason for parents being in favor of wooden toys was the fact that they were much more safe than metal toys. Wooden toys have no sharp edges and are safe in many more ways.

Santa Claus is looking to a new field for Christmas, however. That field is plastics and manufacturers say that toys can be made cheaper and much faster than out of steel or wood.

Every conceivable type of toy can be made out of plastics and its qualities have made it such that the next five years will probably see the complete reconversion to this product in the field of toy-making.

For example, children's dolls can be made out of this product and it will reduce breakage by over 50 per cent. Plastics will stand much harder blows than ordinary china.

Colors, too, will be brighter and more durable. Color can be blended into plastics—not painted on. This,

in itself, will be a great improvement.

Toy musical instruments, too, can be made out of plastics and their tone will be just as pleasing to children—all though sometimes getting on the parents' nerves. Elastics possess most of the resonant qualities of wood or metals used in making instruments.

Of course, the old standby steel coaster wagons, scooters, tricycles and other manually operated toys will still be made of metals but new ideas will go into these as science advances into the future—the toy future.


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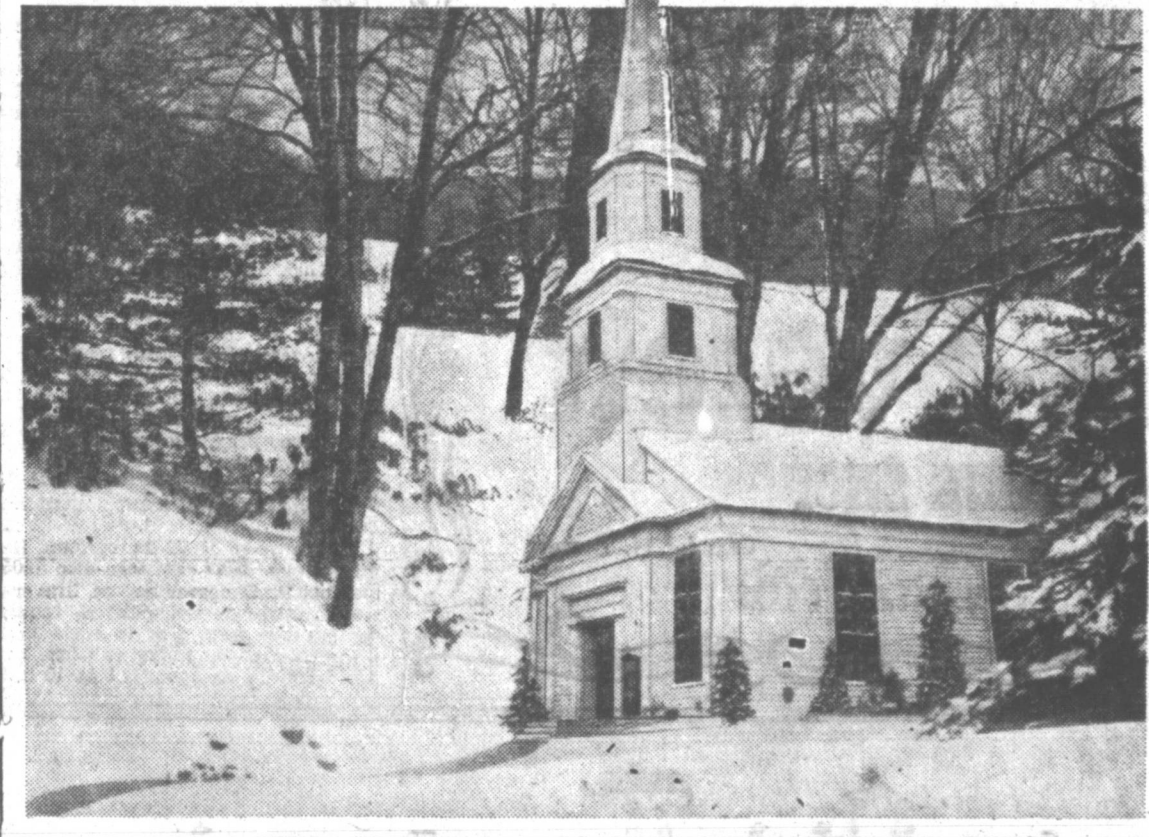
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Not All Texans in Washington Live the 'Life of O'Daniel'

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(AP)—The purchase of Senator W. Lee O'Daniel of a 4-story, 14-unit apartment house for a home should not lead one to conclude that most Texans in Washington live in commodious quarters.

By and large, most of them reside in one and two-bedroom apartments. It's not that they prefer apartments to houses, particularly since they come from a state where there are relatively few apartment buildings and where such things are "row houses" are practically unknown.

The reason is largely one of economics, with a trace of politics. Many a congressman with a family would like to buy a house, and save rent, but he is afraid an opponent

will charge him with becoming too interested in affairs out of his district and home state.

Incidentally, before going further, it might be well to note that a "row house" is a privately-owned housing unit, but with your next door neighbors' walls jammed solidly against and actually forming part of our own. Some have tiny plots of grass as yards, either in front or in back, maybe both.

Of some 10,000 Texans living in the nation's capital, certainly not more than a few score live in "detached" private residences, and probably not more than a dozen or so own and live in above average price homes.

Senator Tom Connally owns an attractive home with a lawn and

large shade trees located in one of the best residential sections. It isn't a large, pretentious house, but in a neighborhood of \$25,000 and \$30,000 places.

The only other Texas member of congress owning a home here is Rep. Paul Kilday, San Antonio, who bought a modest brick house in an area of \$12,000 to \$15,000 houses. His two daughters have a nice yard to play in.

All the others of the delegation live in apartments or hotels. Several with children, including Reps. Gene Worley of Shamrock, Lindley Beckworth of Gilmer, John Lyle of Corpus Christi, Ed Gossett of Wichita Falls, and Tom Pickett of Palestine, live in big, modern housing developments of about four family units to a building. These centers have ample grounds and more youngsters per square foot than any place in the city or its suburbs, because many apartments bar dogs and children.

Dallas' Congressman Hatton Sum-

mer has an apartment in the fashionable Shoreham residential hotel, overlooking beautiful Rock Creek park. Late at night he can hear the foot owls and occasional howls of restless animals over in the zoo. It reminds him of boyhood hunting days, and he likes it.

Nearly all the Texas congressional secretaries live in apartments, many of them in places of about the same price range or type as their bosses—\$60 to \$90 per month, with a few higher. While several are in salary brackets that would permit moderate-priced homes. They usually hesitate to buy for about the same reason as the congressman. Their job is dependent on his reelection, and like him they hesitate to buy while there's always the possibility they might not come back.

Two old-time secretaries who do own their own homes, however, are Miss Alla Clary of Prosper, Speaker Rayburn's aide, who has a house in nearby Falls Church, Virginia, and Jules Leveritt of Galveston, in Rep. J. J. Mansfield's office, who has a place in Maryland.

Leaving Capitol Hill and looking about town for other well known Texans, one finds that Ralph Pittman, formerly of DeLeon and Wichita Falls, has one of the most beautiful homes in Washington. It's a handsome \$65,000 grey stone house, partially ivy-covered, with a large rolling lawn overlooking Rock Creek. The 1924 Baylor U. alumnus law recently was elected president of the Texas State Society of Washington for 1946.

Here in this part of the country one encounters a great many houses built during the Colonial period, or in the latter part of the 18th century. Former Texas state Senator Wiley Hopkins of Gonzales, chief counsel here for the United mine workers, has a house in nearby Alexandria, Va., which was built in 1790. Its original owner was an army colonel who served on George Washington's staff, and it is believed that the nation's first president visited there on several occasions. Incidentally, only a few blocks away, and directly across the street from the boyhood home of Robert E. Lee, lives the UMW chieftain, John L. Lewis, in a Colonial-period clapboard house that cost him \$25,000 just before the war.

Former Texas Lieutenant Governor Edgar Witt of Waco, head of the American-Mexican claims commission, has a nicely furnished place in one of the better apartment houses in the city.

Elaborating on the economic reason why so few Texans here are homeowners: most of them are civil service employes in various governmental departments. Their salaries in their first few years of employment is simply not sufficient for them to buy a house. If they remain for several years—and the turnover is high—they reach an income bracket in which they can afford a private home; these are individuals you seldom hear of, but they comprise the majority of the homeowners.

As for the cost of these so-called average homes of transplanted Texans:

Because of their background they naturally don't settle in the lower-priced home sections of the city, where white and colored families often live next door to each other; for this reason many of them build in Virginia, in suburbs 6 to 10 miles

Few French Vintage Wines Will Be Seen on American Yuletide Tables

By ROSEY HARGROVE
NEA Staff Correspondent

PARIS.—Many a G.I. returning from the ETO might like to buy a bottle of French cognac, champagne or vintage wine for Christmas.

He will find that all three—which were pretty easy to come by in his progress through France—are practically unobtainable in most sections of the United States.

Ten thousand cases of cognac were shipped to America last July. This is a drop in the bucket compared to the 400,000 cases which the U. S. used to purchase each year before the war.

French wine growers have large reserves of vintage cognacs, champagnes and fine wines ready for export. So long as the dollar rate of exchange remains at its present level, however, they prefer to bide their time until devaluation takes place.

Exporters also must obtain official authority for shipment. There is great uncertainty about shipping facilities and prices.

Just as soon as these and allied problems are ironed out, France can resume her exports on a pre-war scale. Things are already better than they were six months ago. Shortages of bottles, casks and packing cases gradually are easing. Interior transport is improving.

are withholding supplies, however, for they realize this would deplete available stocks.

The champagne trade, on the other hand, is well organized and can control prices around 200 francs a bottle. Even so, it practically is impossible to find in the ordinary wine store. When you are lucky enough to unearth a couple of bottles, the retailer will not sell unless you supply two or three empty bottles.

A FOREIGNER, EH?
SPRINGFIELD, Mo.—(AP)—When President Truman appointed Maple T. Hart of Denver as chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance corporation, the Springfield Leader-Press headline shouted: "Truman gives job to non-Missourian."

Blackboards of steel with enamel surfaces are now being used in some schools.

ANZACS JUMP SHIP
DUNKIRK, FRANCE.—(AP)—Australian and New Zealand soldiers, indignant at not being allowed ashore at Capetown after the long voyage from England, invaded tugboats lying alongside the ships and went ashore.

The men formed up into orderly parties and marched into the city where they were given a great welcome.

The soldiers spent thousands of pounds in Capetown shops and drank the city dry by midnight.

The ship's departure was delayed a day.

Pieta, the title of an ancient English law book attributed to one of the learned judges of the time of Edward III, supposedly received its title because it was written in the Fleet prison.

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From downtown Washington. The houses here almost always have basements and are built for protracted below-freezing weather for four months or so each year, so they cost substantially more. For instance, houses which in general appearance seem about the same would cost about \$3,500 here, compared with about \$3,000 in Texas. That's pre-war figuring; the same house here now sells for about \$13,000, even though five years or more old.

WINE IS SCARCE
Cheaper wines are scarce. Many vineyards were untended during the war due to lack of labor, fertilizers, and chemicals. The prewar policy of reducing acreage during several

years of blit has increased the shortage.

The disappearance of the Frenchman's "aperitifs," which resulted in a run on wines, also is responsible in part for the present shortage. Wine growers had hoped for a bumper crop this year, but severe frosts in the late spring wrought havoc in the vineyards. The 1946 crop is excellent in quality but distinctly short in quantity.

It is equally difficult to buy high-class wines in France today, even at black market prices. In view of the uncertainty of the financial situation, many well-heeled Frenchmen would like to invest their money in this merchandise. Producers



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