

TIS THE SEASON TO BE JOLLY — Here are colorful corner yuletide figures located at the intersection of Main Street and U. S. Highway 80 in downtown Ranger. The displays, erected by the Ranger Garden Club, are especially eye-catching at night under floodlights.

Man From Caddo Found Dead By Friend

Charles Edwin Hopkins, 75, was found dead in the living room of his home in Caddo about 2:30 p.m. Monday by E. W. Williams who had stopped by for a visit.

Justice of the Peace W. H. Hughes of Breckenridge ruled death was due to natural causes. He said Mr. Hopkins apparently had been dead since Saturday.

He lived alone and was last seen Saturday morning at the Caddo post office.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Caddo Baptist Church with the Rev. Tommy Southerland, pastor of Tabernacle Baptist Church of Breckenridge and the Rev. A. R. Washburn pastor of Caddo Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Breckenridge Cemetery under direction of Melton Funeral Home.

Only known survivor is a daughter Mrs. Don Wilks of Austin.

Fire Chief Warns Against Holiday Fire Hazards

Fire Chief Charlie Isabell warned Wednesday of two dangerous fire hazards during the Christmas holiday period.

1—Fire crackers should not be exploded in vacant lots. The dead, dry grass is extremely inflammable and can easily be set off by fireworks.

2—Christmas trees also are dangerous fire hazards and can be the cause of serious residential fires.

The Ranger fire chief also urges householders to remove trees from their premises as soon as possible after Christmas.

VISIT PARENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Pettit, Warren, Jr., Wayne, and Anita of Oklahoma City, and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Adams, Donna and Mike of Seguin are spending Christmas here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Gafner.

JEST for fun

A lady who believed in the slogan, "Do your Christmas shopping early," returned for credit an unbreakable toy on the morning of Dec. 26.

"Don't tell me," said the clerk, "your child has succeeded in breaking this already."

"Not at all," said the mother grimly. "She's just broken all her other toys with it."

New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Forney of Odessa are the proud parents of a baby girl born at 1 p.m. Friday, December 18, in Odessa. She weighed 7 pounds, 12 1/2 ounces.

The Forneys have a son, Scott Sherman, age 3.

Paternal grandparents is Linda Forney of Ranger and maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Brears of Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Shepard of Arlington announce the arrival of a son, James Thomas, weighing 8 pounds, 5 ounces. James was born on Sunday, Dec. 20.

Mr. Shepard is the former Donna Drennan of Ranger. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Drennan of Ranger and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Shepard of Arlington.

Eastland Rites Held Tuesday For Mrs. Turner

Funeral services for Mrs. Mirtie May Turner, 88, were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Arrington - Hamner Funeral Chapel of Eastland with Milton Underwood of Eastland officiating. Burial was in Flatwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Turner died at 2 a.m. Monday in Eastland Memorial Hospital where she had been a patient two months.

Born Feb. 15, 1876, in Coryell County she came to Eastland County in 1883. She married James R. Turner in 1894 in Eastland County; he died in 1931. Mrs. Turner moved to Jacksboro in 1959.

She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors are two sons, R. I. of Olney and K. M. of Eastland; three daughters, Mrs. Alice Heath of Strawn, Mrs. Blanche King of Jacksboro, and Mrs. Jimmie Jones of Pampa; 10 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren and 11 great-great-grandchildren.

TO WINTERS

Charles Horton will spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Horton of Winters.

IN CROSS PLAINS

Mrs. P. M. Kuykendall and Mrs. Aila Rae Morris were in Cross Plains Monday visiting with Mrs. Kuykendall's sister, Mrs. Tom Bryant and family.

Bulldogs Drop Tilt To Baird

Tommy Barton's long one-hand jumper from the corner as the final buzzer sounded gave the Baird Bear a 54-52 victory over the Ranger Bulldogs in a basketball cliff-hanger Monday night.

Barton's dramatic shot was only one of six he sank during the night as the Bears won their second District 10-A game against one setback. Ranger is now 1-1.

Ranger's Johnny McGee led both clubs in scoring with 19 points while Wally Harris dropped 18 for Baird.

In the girls contest, Vickie Jones tossed in 28 points to lead Baird to a lopsided 93-24 victory. Jane Lewis tallied 11 for Ranger.

Baird: Gordon 14 6; Barton 6 1 13; Harris 8 2 16; Crow 1 0 2; Saddle 0 2 2; Collins 3 2 8; Windham 1 0 2; Black 1 1 3; Totals 21 12 54.

Ranger: Newnam 0 3 3; Watson 5 1 11; McGee 9 1 19; Renteria 3 0 6; Kennedy 4 1 9; Pearson 2 0 4; Totals 23 6 52.

Baird 10 14 11 19-54
Ranger 12 10 20 10-32

Faculty-School Board Honored At Open House

The faculty and school board members of the Ranger Public Schools were entertained with open house in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Rush, Sunday, December 20.

The house was decorated in the Christmas motif. The tea table covered with a bright red cloth with appointments of silver. Mmes. R. V. Robinson, C. L. Garrett, Rayne Baze, O. C. Warden and Boone Yarborough assisted in serving.

Some 60 guests called between the hours of 3 and 5 p.m.

FCC Members To Attend Abilene Crusade

Members of the First Christian Churches of Ranger and Eastland will attend the Spiritual Enrichment Crusade in the First Christian Church of Abilene on Monday evening, December 28th. The Abilene Church has set aside a place for them in the services.

The Crusade will be held at 7:13 nightly December 28 thru Jan. 1. Jack A. Sutton, Jr., national field director of Christian Men's Fellowship, will be guest speaker. His services are sponsored by the Department of Men's Work.

A native of Iowa, Mr. Sutton attended Colorado State Teachers' College at Greeley, Colorado. He has been a member of the board of managers of the United Society and the board of Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma. Since going into men's work, he has served the Christian Churches of the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico and Jamaica and since 1951 has averaged more than forty speeches per month in this service. He has specialized in stewardship revivals and Schools of Churchmanship.

He is married to the former Miss Verla Elliott, who was a missionary in China until the rise of the People's Republic.

GIVEN SURPRISE PARTY

Last week, Mrs. Nettie Mace was honored on her birthday with a surprise party in the home of her sister, Mrs. L. J. Burnett. Assisting her was Mrs. A. Z. Sharp.

Several close friends and acquaintances attended.

Time Of Gladness



"WHEN THEY SAW THE STAR, THEY REJOICED WITH EXCEEDING GREAT JOY." — MATT. 2:10

There is no music like a star
On spaces where the shadows are;
Or color like the flash of song
Through silence that is ages long;
Or love like His whose life could fill
Heaven with caroling stars: "Good-Will!"

Not so long ago Lloyd Douglas gave the world a perennial Christmas gift when he wrote a novel called *Green Light*. The book is the story of a quest for something which can assure us that life will be less perilous than it now seems, so that we can go on confidently, blithely, to the fulfillment of our bravest dreams for mankind.

Curiously, or miraculously, Hoses tried to do the same thing centuries ago. He saw how winters come after green summers and resset falls and how gray the hills are or how white with the hoar-frost. So he had Jehovah say in his prophecy: "When winter comes, 'I am like a fir-tree' . . . something gay when everything else is dismal, something growing when everything else seems dead."

That evergreen light was the first Christmas tree. That faith has been the Christ-light shining through the long dark: "a single signbeam." St. Francis said, "driving away many shadows" and making all men "little brothers of the sun."

Holiday Events Set At Lone Cedar

Lone Cedar Country Club will have two big parties during the holiday season.

Wednesday, Dec. 23, following the cocktail hour, beginning at 6, a buffet will be served. Price will be \$1.75 for adults and \$1. for children under twelve.

Menu for the buffet will be as follows: baked breast of chicken, fruit glazed ham, parsleyed rice, asparagus tips, golden corn, sherry sweet potatoes, cranberry scuffle, tossed green salad, hot rolls and coffee.

On New Year's Eve there will be a dance from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m., featuring Gene Street and The Cruisers. The club will furnish New Year favors and the price for the party will be \$10 per couple.

IMPORTANT OLDEN MEET SET TUESDAY

An important meeting to discuss the proposed new water system for Olden will be held in the Olden Gym Tuesday, Dec. 29 at 7 p.m. All residents, whether interested or not, are urged to attend and hear the plan.

Leon Decker, will be present to explain the system and Decker is a member of the Abilene firm of Yate and Decker, who has been employed to draw up plan for the Olden System.

SHOP RANGER FIRST!

Santa Visits Ranger Youngsters Saturday



TALKS TO SANTA — Little lad in phone booth at corner of Austin and Main Streets chats with Santa at the north pole. The unique kiddie attraction was sponsored by the Ranger Jaycees.

VISIT DAUGHTERS

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Roberson and granddaughter Robbye will spend Christmas in San Antonio. They will visit with their daughters and families, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Barker, and Mr. Larry Cranover, Carlton and Cassie. Robbye will remain for an extended visit with her mother, Mrs. W. H. Barker. Both Mrs. Barker and Mrs. Cranover are teachers in the Northeast Independent School District.

Santa Visits Ranger Youngsters Saturday

Santa Claus flew into Ranger Saturday afternoon at 3 p.m. and was escorted to the City Hall from the Ranger Airport on a Fire Truck. Youngsters visited with him at the City Hall and received free candy.

The youngsters were entertained from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday with Christmas movies and cartoons at a special showing in the basement of the First Methodist Church, which were sponsored by the Jaycees.

Ranger Jaycees, in co-operation with the Ranger Chamber of Commerce, arranged a program throughout the week which has pleased both the youngsters and their parents.

Another treat for the youngsters through the Christmas week has been a telephone booth on Main Street, where they could pick up the phone and talk with Santa Claus at the North Pole.

The Jaycees erected a beautiful Christmas tree at the corner of Main and Austin Streets and it was gayly decorated by the Ranger Jaycees-Elites. The corner has been the setting for special Christmas season programs throughout the week.

Monday night the Ranger High School Band under the direction of Bobby Bingham, presented a concert of Christmas music. Tuesday and Wednesday evenings local choirs presented special Christmas music at the tree.

Aunt Of Local Woman Dies In Coleman Monday

Miss Mamie Richey, 82, of Talpa, aunt of Mrs. Oleta Bloodworth of Ranger, died at 5:45 a.m. Monday in Holiday Hill Nursing Home in Coleman after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Stevens Memorial Chapel, Coleman, with the Rev. Ross Grace of Talpa Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in Talpa Cemetery.

BREAD of Life

Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me; nevertheless, not my will, but thine, be done. — Luke 22:42

Take Thou my cup, And it with joy or sorrow fill As beat to Thee may seem; Choose Thou my good and ill.

No Immediate Action Likely On Court Vacancy

The best guess of political leaders today was that Governor John Connally would take no action to fill the vacant judgeship of the 91st District Court of Eastland County until after January 1, 1965.

Published reports Wednesday said that the governor was believed to be considering Frank Sparks and Earl Connor, two Eastland attorneys, for the post. Sparks had the backing of the attorneys of the county. Both are veteran Eastland County lawyers.

The 91st district court bench has been vacant since the death Dec. 13 of Judge Turner M. Collie.

Political leaders said that Sen. Tom Creighton, Rep. Wayne Gibbons, State Committeeman David Clemens of Mineral Wells, and Mike Collins of Eastland were advising the governor in the matter.

Mr. Collins told this newspaper that he was making no recommendation but was passing on to the governor's office any information that he might have and that he was available to make a trip to Austin if the governor asked him to do so.

Speculation that the governor was working on the matter and might make an appointment this week was discounted.

Local Woman's Sister Dies; Rites Tuesday

Mrs. Lennie Ivey, 77, of Strawn, sister of Mrs. J. F. Danley of Ranger, died at 8 a.m. Monday in Stephenville Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday in First Baptist Church, Strawn, with Rev. Charles Kueck, pastor, and the Rev. Byron Bryant, pastor of Hamlin First Baptist Church officiating. Burial was in Mount Marion Cemetery under direction of Edwards Funeral Home.

Born July 12, 1887, in Gourdsneck in Eastland County, she married Tom F. Ivey there Aug. 16, 1903. They ranched seven miles northwest of Thurber until 1952. Mr. Ivey died in 1956.

She was a member of the Strawn First Baptist Church. Survivors are three daughters, Mrs. Marvin Harrison of Abilene, Mrs. Everett Gibson of Hamlin and Mrs. E. H. Pierce of Odem; two sons, Andrew of Houston; two sisters, Mrs. L. L. Gully of Weatherford and Mrs. J. F. Donley of Ranger; two brothers, Bill and Lee Johnson of Weatherford; eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

First Christian Choir To Give Yule Program

Christmas Eve ushers in a day of gladness and joy as we remember once again the birth of the Christ Child and to prepare our hearts and lives for this very special day, the First Christian Church will hold a special Christmas Eve worship service at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, according to the pastor, Rev. David Downing.

The short program of worship is open to anyone in the community and will be planned so that families may worship together. Through Christmas music, scripture, and meditation all will be led to the birthplace of Christ and will experience afresh that love and joy and anticipation in their lives, according to the pastor.

This is the second year the church has held its Christmas Eve service and was warmly received last year. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Police Dept., Families Have Yule Dinner

Members of the local Police Department and their families were honored with Christmas dinner at the F. Hall Tuesday night.

A traditional Christmas dinner with turkey and all trimmings was enjoyed by group.

Those attending were guest of honor, Judge Mrs. M. D. Underwood and Mrs. Bill Ogden, Mr. Mrs. J. W. Vinson and Dwight and Ricky, Mr. Mrs. Bill Bollinger and children, Butch, Kim, and B. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rose, Margaret and her fiancé Henry Ross Hodges.

Post Office Will Be Closed Friday And Saturday

The Ranger post office will be closed Christmas day also all day Saturday. Des reports Postmaster Max C. Incoming mail will be in boxes in accordance the usual schedule for days and holidays, he said.

WEATHER

THURSDAY — Squalls rises 7:13, sets 4:47.
FRIDAY — Stormy, rises 7:13, sets 4:47. \$1 fair.
SATURDAY — Snow rain. Sun rises 7:16, sets Moon rises 12:30 a.m. \$1 good.

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For Sale

FOR SALE: Homemade cakes for the holidays, just \$3. Call MI 7-3632 after 4 p. m.

FOR SALE: Remington Portable Typewriters, the best bargain in a typewriter. Easy terms. See at Eastland Telegram, Eastland.

FOR SALE: CACTUS brand all purpose outside paint. Interior vinyl quick drying, washable paint. \$2.95 per gallon. Army Surplus Store, Eastland. 50 tf

FOR SALE: Stucco house, 4 rooms, bath, and attached garage. Priced right. O. M. Franklin. tf

FOR SALE: All kinds of advertising novelties to give your customers and friends... ball points, notebooks, rain gauges... everything. Call at The Times office. tf

FOR SALE: Fat hens 50c each if farm. Dressed and delivered to houses in town \$1.00 each. Felva Love, Phone MI 7-1045. 33

FOR SALE: LIFETIME TANK COAT. Stops all leaks in steel and concrete tanks. Prevents rust forever. Fix it and forget it. Free sample. Virden Perabilt, 4014 Bowie, Amarillo, Texas. 36

OR SALE BY OWNER: One room house, 6 room, 8 room, one 7 room house to be moved, and one boat dock at Lake Leona. Call MI 7-3582 MI 7-1809. tf



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FOR SALE: 1959 Biscayne Chevrolet, 4-door sedan. See or call Glyn Gilliam, Commercial State Bank, Ranger. Call MI 7-3242. tf

FOR SALE OR TRADE: For house in Ranger, extra nice three bedroom house, 4 blocks from square in Stephenville. Extra large living room, dining room and kitchen. 40'x40' brick patio, concrete drive and double carport and storage. 360' well with 500 gallon water storage system. Large lot. Contact Buddy Bills, Ranger Floral. tf

For Rent

FOR RENT: Furnished apartment available January 1. Phone MI 7-1489 or MI 7-1279. tf

FOR RENT: Two bedroom house at 417 S. Marston Street, \$25. One bedroom house on Eastland Hill, across from Winnie's Beauty Shop, \$25. Seven room house, 4 acres, fenced goat proof, 412 Terrell St. \$45. Keys at C. E. Maddocks Insurance, 207 Main St. Send rent money to Box 245, Baker, Oregon. 35

FOR RENT: Four and five room apartments, finished or unfurnished. \$30 to \$45 month. Park Cottages, 706 Pine St. tf

FOR RENT: Unfurnished apartments. MI 7-3149. tf

Wanted

HELP WANTED: Housekeeper and care for elderly couple in the home, 24 hours. Room, board, salary. Phone MI 7-1394. tf

WANTED: Buttons, Buttonholes, Belts, Buckles, Alterations. Mrs. W. J. Barnhill, MI 7-1615. 33

GOT A GIRL'S BIKE for sale? Call The Ranger Times, MI 7-1101.

WANTED: To buy warehouse building approximately 30x40 feet... to be moved. Call HI 2-2244 in Cisco. tf

Notice

NOTICE: Effective Dec. 17 I will not be responsible for debts incurred except by myself. G. G. Barnes. 34

NOTICE: Will trade in on land in Eastland County, 2 bedroom home, 206 North Ira Ave., 1 block off West Jefferson, 3 blocks east of Loop 12, Dallas. Phone FE 7-6272. 29

NOTICE: Save money. Have your tires retreaded for winter wear. Most sizes, \$7.95. One year guarantee. Jim Horton Tire Service, Eastland, Texas. tf

THE BOARD OF Trustees of the Olden Independent School District will accept sealed bids on a one-half ton 1960 Chevrolet pickup until 7 p. m., Nov. 23. All bids will be opened at that time. The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids. The pickup is available for inspection at the Olden School Building. Bids should be mailed to the Olden School. 78

NOTICE: PUPPIES. Give your family one for Christmas. Free for the asking. Call MI 7-1242. tf

NOTICE: We buy, sell, trade, repair, paint and finance trucks, trailers, truck and trailer equipment. Over 3 acres of trucks, trailers and used parts. New I.H.C. trucks always in stock. Call or come by now. Johnston Truck and Supply, 725-2181, Cross Plains. We specialize in heavy duty and special equipment. 36

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The Week Ahead In Ranger

THURSDAY

Lions Club meets for noon luncheon and program at the Ranger Junior College Cafeteria.
 Jaycees meet at 6:30 a. m. at the Porky Pig for breakfast and program.

FRIDAY

Christmas Day. Ranger business firms will be closed in observance of this holiday.

MONDAY

The CIO-AFL meets at the lodge hall at 7:30 p. m.
 Past Matrons and Past Matrons meet at 7:30 p. m.

WEDNESDAY

Elks meet for supper at 7 p. m.
 Rotary meets for noon luncheon and program at the Ranger Junior College Cafeteria.

HOLIDAY GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Cozart and family have as holiday guests Mr. and Mrs. Don Cozart and children of Dallas. Mr. and Mrs. Leman Cozart and Mrs. Lula Downs of Breckenridge, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lawhon and children of Carbon.

IN HOBBS

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Crawford are spending Christmas in Hobbs, N. M.

FROM SWEETWATER

Mr. and Mrs. Drennan Daves and daughter Marsha of Sweetwater are spending Christmas here with Mrs. Daves' parents Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Creager.

CHRISTMAS GUESTS

Christmas guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Daskevich, Sr. are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Daskevich, Jr., and Bobby, Totsy, David and Connie of Albuquerque. Ronnie Daskevich of the Air Force Academy in Colorado, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Hood and Wayne, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Basham, Kim, Cassie, and Christy, and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Yeager, Betty Ann, Tony, Mickey and Kay, all of Fort Worth.

Christmas Day dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Marvin McGee, Johnny and Mary, and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Bagwell, Gary and Lori, of Ranger.

FROM WHARTON

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Brashier and sons have as holiday guests in their home Mrs. Brashier's mother, Mrs. Alex Hudgins, and her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Shannon and Joel, all of Wharton.

Card of Thanks

The family of Olin J. Tunnell expresses their gratitude for the many kindnesses rendered during their bereavement.

Mrs. J. S. McDowell
 B. A. Tunnell

Lost

LOST: Black and white Fox Terrier on Highway 30 near Thurber. Has collar and tag No. 24542. Reward. Contact K. B. Tanner, Eastland. Phone MA 9-2297. 74

LOST: Britain Spaniel, bob-tail, red and white, long haired, answers to name of Ginger. Last seen at Terrell Ranch. Liberal reward. Call Calvin Brown, MI 7-1481. tf

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DAUGHTERS HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bruce have their daughters and their families home for Christmas. They are Mr. and Mrs. Callie Smith and children of San Antonio and Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Thomas and children of Abilene.

VISIT WITH DAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Calvert are spending Christmas in Lubbock with their daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lamb, Kathy and Bill. Also spending Christmas in Lubbock will be the Lamb's daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Free and Scott of Big Spring. The Lambs are former Ranger residents.

FROM WACO

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Franks of Waco are spending Christmas here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carroll.

FROM FORT WORTH

Miriam Poyner is home from Texas Wesleyan College in Fort Worth to spend the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Poyner.

VISITING MOTHER

Arthur Merritt is home spending the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. Oma Merritt. Arthur is a sophomore student at the University of Texas.

FROM SMU

Mr. and Mrs. Joe B. Scott and family have visiting them over the Christmas holidays their daughter, Miss Shellene Scott, who is a junior at Southern Methodist University in Dallas.

HOLIDAY VISITOR

Larry Sullivan, son of Rev. and Mrs. Avery Sullivan, is home for Christmas from Baylor University where he is a sophomore.

VISITING PARENTS

Linda and Tommy Warford, students at the University, are home for the holidays, visiting with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Warford.

DAUGHTER HOME

Dr. and Mrs. W. P. Watkins have their daughter, Jill, a junior at Baylor, home for the Christmas holidays.



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Mr. & Mrs. Joe Collins

RANGER, TEXAS

FROM ARLINGTON STATE

Donna Fvffe, a freshman at Arlington State in Arlington, is spending the Christmas holidays here with her mother, Mrs. Ruth McKenzie and her grandmother, Mrs. Winnie Cox.

IN LOUISIANA

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Butler, Michell and Ron are spending the Christmas holidays in Ville Platt, La., with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Vidrine. Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Malone accompanied the Butlers to Louisiana where they all spend the weekend in New Orleans.

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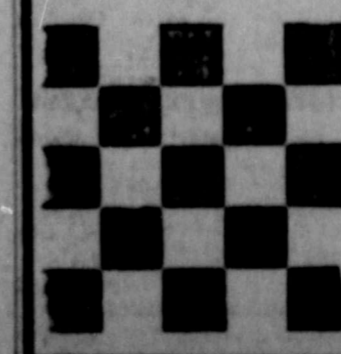
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HOSPITAL REPORT

The following were reported as patients in Ranger General Hospital Wednesday morning:

Mrs. Izetta Smith, Mrs. Lydia Tackett, Miss Johnnie Yount, Mrs. Nat Faircloth, Mrs. Ira Utz, Mrs. John T. Robinson, Mrs. Charlie Isbell, Mrs. George M. Hill and baby boy, Margaret Martinez, Mrs. R. D. McCrary, Mrs. Emma Green, Miss Eunice Toone, Mrs. Mary Fullum, Mrs. Lether Buckbee, Mrs. H. F. Brown, and Mrs. Mary Koffman.

Also J. R. Coop, G. N. Holder, Stanley Crews, Fred Ellis, R. O. Buckley, Jess E. Bell, C. L. MacCleavy, and Elmer Abernathy.

Magraret Rose Engagement Told

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rose of Ranger announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Margaret Ann to Henry Ross Hodges, son of Mrs. Wash Woods of Ranger.

The couple plans to be married Jan. 1.

Santa Letters

Dear Santa Claus,
I'll be a nice boy and I won't hit anyone anymore. I would like a football suit, a Johnny Seven, a Candyland game, farm set, a football game, a church book, watch and a ring. Put candy in my stocking.

I am being very, very bad, but I will be better after my nap. Please bring me doll, stove, ice box, tea set, clothes for baby, bottle, baby bed, Candy in stocking.

Thank you, Santa.
We will be good children.
Love,
Michele and Ron



Going all out to wish you Christmas happiness.

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May your holiday be bright!

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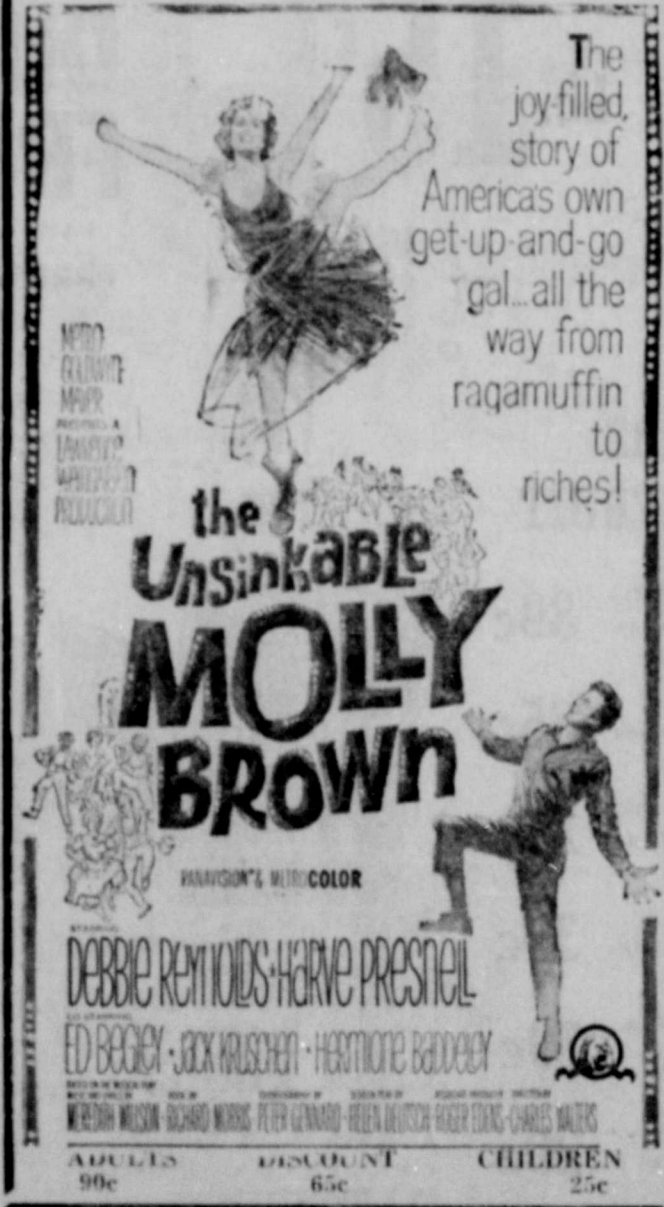
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Season's Greetings

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Greetings

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JOY TO ALL this Christmas

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rejoice now at this festive time of year.

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TO ALL A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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May the glad tidings of this joyous Season bring lasting peace to every heart.

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WISHING YOU AND YOUR
LOVED ONES THE MERRIEST,
MOST ABUNDANT HOLIDAYS!

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HOLY NIGHT

May this season bring the spirit of
love and understanding to you!

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RANGER, TEXAS

RECENT GUESTS
Mrs. Lottie Davenport had as her recent guests Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Glazner of Weatherford and Mrs. Hortense Matthews Sweeney of Riverside, Calif. Mrs. Sweeney was here to attend the funeral of her sister, Mrs. Millard Tierce of Millsap on Sat., Dec. 12. Spending part of the Christmas holidays here are Mrs. Davenport's son and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Davenport Jr., Linda and Anita of Crane. They will also visit with their aunt, Mrs. Ethel Williams, and with Mrs. Davenport's parents in Fort Worth.

FROM WASHINGTON
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Downing of Pullman, Washington will visit from Dec. 22 through Dec. 29 in the home of their son and family, Rev. and Mrs. Dave Downing and girls.

VISITS PARENTS
Jimmy Drennan, freshman student at the University is home over the holidays visiting with his family, the J. D. Drennans.

FROM BAYLOR
Denny Ewing who attends Baylor University in Waco is home visiting over the holidays with his mother and sister. Denny is a sophomore.

HOME FROM TARLETON
Milard Herweck who attends Tarleton State College in Stephenville, is home for the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milard Herweck.

VISITING PARENTS
Karen Killingsworth, a student at TCU in Fort Worth is home for the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Floyd Killingsworth.

FROM TECH
Janey and Don Adams, children of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Adams, and students at Texas Tech in Lubbock, are home for the Christmas holidays.

WINTER VACATION
Sandra Allsup, junior student at North Texas State University in Denton is home visiting with her parents, the David Allsups.

FROM NORTH TEXAS
Mr. and Mrs. Max Anderson have their daughter, Jeralyn, a student at North Texas in Denton, home with them over the Christmas holidays.

VISITING PARENTS
Gary Bradshaw of the University of Texas is home spending the holidays with his family, the Bill Bradshaws.

HOME FOR HOLIDAYS
Vic Criswell, who attends the University of Texas in Austin is home for the holidays visiting with his family, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Criswell and Cherry.

FROM DENTON
Mr. and Mrs. Gene Gilley and family of Denton visited here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Jones and with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Gene England and children.

SONS HOME
Rev. and Mrs. Ray Elliott and Mersha have their sons here to spend the Christmas holidays with them. They are Pfc. Kenneth Elliott, stationed at Millington Naval Air Station at Memphis, Tenn. and Jerrel Elliott, student at McMurry College in Abilene.



From all of us here at Ranger Lumber & Supply to all of you good friends and customers . . . thanks so very much for your patronage and friendship down through the years.

This has been a good year for us and all of you have made it so. We join with you in looking ahead to the coming new year with hope and anticipation.

It is our sincere wish that you and your loved ones and friends will enjoy the merriest Christmas and an abundance of happiness and good fortune in 1965.

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CHRISTMAS

Let us remember, as we celebrate His birth,
that our duty to mankind is ever growing in a world
that gropes for peace and understanding. With
trust in Him . . . and with the spirit of love, we must renew our
faith and dedicate our efforts to accomplish that ideal.

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The Adams families and their employees gratefully extend warm and personal greetings to countless friends. May each of you and your loved ones be richly blessed with a most enjoyable Holiday season!

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WCS Host To Chancel Choir

The Ranger Garden Club held its Christmas Pilgrimage, December 18 beginning at 7 p.m. in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse White, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Marslander, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Gohlke, then to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jackson homes.

Each home was decorated with many artistic and creative ideas. Holly and red carnations, manger scene, candles and arrangements, old fashioned Christmas arrangements, and the sprayed Christmas tree.

Refreshments of goodies, popcorn, punch were served on the tour and refreshments of punch, coffee, cookies and candies were served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jackson.

Approximately 40 members and guests enjoyed fellowship and the singing of Christmas carols.

Co-hostesses were Meses Dewey Cox, Theodore Nick-sick and A. W. Brazda.

IN OKLAHOMA

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Alford and daughter are spending Christmas in Hilton, Okla. with Mr. Alford's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Alford.

FROM FORT WORTH

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Gunn and family of Fort Worth are spending Christmas here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Allen.

FROM SNYDER

Mr. and Mrs. Mac Jones and children Kay, Cody, and Kelly of Snyder are here visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Toots Bott and Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Jones.

IN CARTHAGE

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bounds and children are spending Christmas in Carthage with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Boen and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bounds.

VISIT PARENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Arnett are spending Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Smith in Wichita Falls and Ola B. Arnett in Henrietta.

FROM KILGORE

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Surlock and children of Kilgore visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Smith Monday en route to Phoenix, Arizona.

FROM IRVING

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Arrendale are spending Christmas here with his mother, Mrs. Frank Arrendale.

IN DALLAS

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Barnhill and daughter are spending Christmas in Dallas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Laird, and her sister and family, Mr. and Mr. Leroy Matthews.

CHILDREN HOME

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Beck have their children here for Christmas. They are Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hart, Bobby, Gary, and Donna Kay of Athens, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Wood, Melinda Sue, and Sandra of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Beck, Ricky, Darrell, Glenn Frank, and Darla of Morton Valley and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Petree, Cheryl Ann, and Caryn of Eastland. The Wood family is being transferred from Lubbock to Dallas and will make their home there after the holidays.

HOLIDAY VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. John Smith have as holiday guests in their home their children, Mr. and Mrs. Lanny Smith of Killeen, Mr. and Mrs. Randall Hoover, Scott, John, and Valerie of Joshua, Janice of Fort Worth and Tommy of North Texas at Denton. Also visiting them are Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Nettie M. Womble of Farmersville; and Mr. Smith's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Scott and family of Fort Worth.

IN ABERNATHY

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ainsworth are spending Christmas in Abernathy visiting their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Greene and James Lyle.



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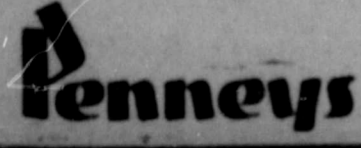
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FROM YOUR FRIENDLY



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May Christmas echo joyfully
 in your heart thru the year.

MRS. D. E. PULLEY
 RANGER, TEXAS



greetings to all our friends!

DR. JOHN FOSTER
 JEAN, GINGER AND SCOTT

HOLIDAY GUESTS
 Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Ervin have as Christmas guests Mr. and Mrs. Don Leith and children of Raymondville.

VISIT IN MIDLAND
 Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Black and daughter are spending Christmas in Midland with her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Warren and children, Betty and Dawn.

DAUGHTER HERE
 Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Boggus and Rush have as Christmas guests, Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Crutsinger and children of Fort Worth.

DINNER GUESTS
 Mr. and Mrs. Weaver Aishman and Kay had as Christmas Day dinner guests in their home their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Aishman of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Snyder, Mrs. Lee Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Robinson, Jim and Robbie and Mrs. Matt Robinson all of Ranger.



joy and peace to
 all the world!

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 A CHILD IS BORN**

... bringing to the world
 and to each individual heart, the
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Christmas Greetings
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Christmas Blessings
 Blessed be the Day of Christ's birth,
 and may this Christmas season
 bring us all lasting joy and peace.

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 Joyful wishes and the very best
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ANGLO-SAXON CHRISTMAS IS DESCRIBED BY EX CISCOAN

By CHARLES SPEARS
Sherman, Texas
Early Roman Britain was a phagan land until Augustine (C. 604). Pope Gregory wisely warned this missionary not to disturb or alarm the folk by opposing their mid-winter

festivals which occurred for twelve days ending at December solstice. These were veritable barbaric orgies of eating, drinking, jousting, and general hell-raising to offset the long, dreary idleness of winter. Thus clerical tolerance began

evolving pagan customs to Christian usage.

It was not until about 1043 that December 25th became Christmas day rather than Midwinter mass. The "twelve days" were a community celebration which Norman Conquest changed very little. In the approximate 500 years between Conquest of 1066 and Reformation of 1560 the principal innovations were the Carol which became a beautiful lyric art expression and the Nativity play which became a popular art form as a prelude to the secular theatre.

Underlying the traditional medieval celebrations were forces finally exploded in the Puritanism of Cromwell's Commonwealth and Protectorate. Public opinion under Puritanism was becoming increasingly incensed and offended at the disorders, drunkenness, gambling, and proverbial hell-raising of mid-winter fun of the masses. Also social and economic changes were inner-acting in a need for change — even as now, as agriculture revolted from feudalism provincial social customs became outmoded by urban growth; trade expanded as industrial revolution came closer to being. As these forces under the iron hand of old "wart nose" Cromwell destroyed monastical life and increased the differences between the social group — the old feudal or rural Christmas of Manor House, Guild Hall, and Medieval Corporation was ended. Authorities used the army to enforce Puritan bans — but after the restoration of Charles II the "old" did not return, and decline in "Christmas" festival as a social custom continued until 1850.

Charles Dickens in 1843 as a radical humanitarian of the Christian Socialist school — was responsible for the modern rebirth of Christmas as a spiritual experience — emphasizing for the first time innocence of childhood, the tragedy of poverty, and the psychological needs of the fortunate to aid the helpless. Old Scrooge, a man of strong conviction, was a protest against the hypocrisy that had made a mockery of conventional Christmas sentiments. The ghosts of Christmas Present, Past, and Future are an emotional experience unsurpassed in the novelist art of any language. Dickens appealed to the romantic, challenged the humanitarian, and revived the religious conscience.

Rebirth of Christmas did not mean revival of "folk" custom — Twelfth-Night, Mummery, Wassailing, etc., were gone forever. The Carol and Nativity play were reborn, and the giving of presents was transferred from New Years to Christmas. This latter obsession with presents — has been thought by some to become another extraordinary popular delusion of merchant

motivation by way of Madison Avenue promotion greatly emphasized by the new mass modes of communication.

Here in the United States there were added three innovations. The adoption of Dutch Kris Kringle in early New York state — made popular by Clement Clark Moore's "The Night Before Christmas" of 1823 whose writing extended almost world-wide the acceptance of the "American" Santa Claus. The development of the Christmas card was a combination of circumstance of new postal efficiency with "Auld Lang Syne" feeling for distant acquaintances. By 1860 these cards had developed to a popular art form with famous talent competing for sizeable Victorian prizes. The third and last development was the amazing mass adoption in a short 50 years of the Christmas tree — first known to history in Germany about 1605.

Even the more fundamental religious sects whose clergy seems to seek controversy to stimulate their congregation's

Christian Enrichment Crusade Begins In Abilene Dec. 28

Jack A. Sutton, Jr., executive field director for the men's work of the United

interest have not the least opposition to these later day religiously unrelated modes.

Perhaps though all of us are becoming conscious of a need for a de-emphasis of materialism and possibly a re-determination of "humanitarian" conscience as applied to the present circumstance of the underling man in urbanized loneliness, economic insecurity, psychic frustration, and social bewilderment — what with contemporary religious insincerity, world-wide political instability of "humanitarian" continuity. All this and science too — where change and advance are accelerated beyond the significant comprehension of all of us. — Reprinted from Banker's Digest.

Christian Missionary Society, will head the Spiritual Enrichment Crusade at the First Christian Church of Abilene, beginning Dec. 28 — Jan. 1, at 7:13 nightly, the Rev. Ray Cameron, Eastland pastor, has announced.

Mr. Sutton, owner and manager of the Sutton Heating and Electrical Engineering Company of Denver, Colo., has served the Christian Churches of the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico and Jamaica and has averaged more than 40 speeches per month in this service since 1951. A native of Iowa, Mr. Sutton attended Colorado State Teachers' College at Greeley, Colo. and specialized in stewardship revivals and schools of churchmanship.

Married to the former Miss Verla Elliott who was a missionary in China until the rise of the People's Republic, Mr.

Sutton has been a member of the board of managers of the United Society and the board of Phillips University, Enid, Okla.

The word "crusade" comes from the Latin word "crux," meaning "cross." The Cross of Christ was the official badge of those who joined the Crusades to the Holy Land during the Middle Ages, and the expression "taking the cross" meant becoming a crusader.

MERRY CHRISTMAS



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May the Christmas story inspire each hearer's heart to see in everything God's gracious goodness... to find reward in giving... to be wealthier for sharing... to become as little children, for of such is Heaven's kingdom.



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IN RANGER

12TH NIGHT

Twelfth Night, or Epiphany, is celebrated in various ways around the world.

To Christians, Epiphany commemorated the manifestation of Jesus as Christ the Savior. Literally translated, Epiphany means "appearance."

In many parts of the world, Epiphany is associated with the "Three Kings." The visit of the Three Kings to Bethlehem; the baptism of Jesus; and His first miracle at Cana are all three believed to have happened on the same date, although in different years.

SHOP RANGER FIRST!

ITALY'S YULE

In Italy, the Yule log is burned in the family fireplace. Everyone gathers around and each child is blindfolded before the log is ignited. In turn, children recite Christmas verses and as their blindfolds are removed, they find Christmas gifts stacked on the floor.

SIGHTING ROBINS

Popular motif on early Christmas cards was the English robin — possibly because English postmen, who delivered the cards, in those days wore red uniforms and were often called "Robin".

IN GREECE

In Greece, Christmas gifts gladden the hearts of the young and the poor. The older folks usually wait until New Year's Day to exchange presents.

ENGLISH CUSTOM

In England, ash fagots often are burned for good luck on Christmas and a common custom is for each of a group of girls to mark one fagot as her own. The girl whose fagot first takes fire is supposed to be the first to marry.

MYRRH LEGEND

According to an old legend, Adonis, a beautiful youth, originated from a myrrh tree. Myrra, daughter of Theias,

king of Syria, deceived her father and was exiled to the barren deserts of Arabia, where the gods transformed her into a myrrh tree. After a time, the legend says, the tree burst asunder and Adonis sprang forth.

HOLIDAY FIREWORKS

In the United States, fireworks are associated with the celebration of the Fourth of July. Our neighbors to the South use fireworks to celebrate the birthday of Christ.

In some sections of the Americas, particularly on Christmas Eve, fireworks are as traditional as going to church or setting down to a family feast.

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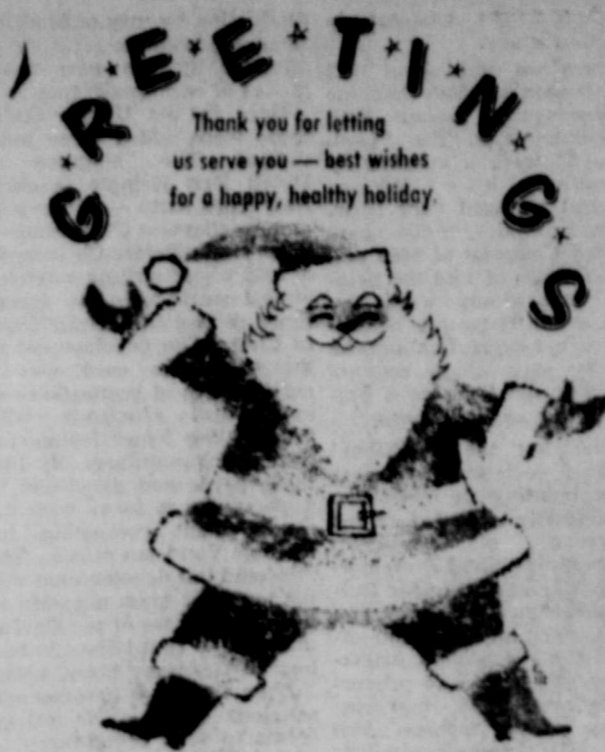


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SAFE GIFTS FROM SANTA IS SLOGAN OF TEXAS SOCIETY

A Christmas memo to Texas parents on trees and toys: Don't let a needless eye accident wreck your family's holiday happiness.

The Texas Society for the Prevention of Blindness cautioned here today that accidents around the Christmas tree and from unsafe children's toys will be the principal causes of eye injuries dur-

ing the Yule season. The Society's warning came as part of its annual "Safe Gifts From Santa" campaign. The traditional family Christmas tree with its fragile decorations has damaged many eyes in recent years, reported Senator Criss Cole, State Chairman of the Texas Society. A sharp pine needle punctured the eye of a West

Coast woman as she bent over to unplug the tree lights. A two-year-old was hospitalized after broken ornament fragments got into her left eye. An exploding Christmas tree light bulb cut the eye of a young Western boy. "Throughout the holidays, remind all the family members, young and old alike, about the hazards of shattered ornaments and lights the pointed needles on wreaths and trees, the keen edges of wrapping materials, and the threat of fire," Senator Criss Cole said. "A good measure

Try Live Tree This Christmas

Would you like to keep your Christmas tree for a long time after Christmas? You can, according to Bill Smith, forester of the Texas A&M Agricultural Extension Service, provided you select a live tree that will grow in Texas.

"Live trees, with the roots wrapped in a ball of soil, are sold to be planted outdoors after Christmas," Smith points out. Trees that may be expected to live in most areas of the state include arborvitae, Arizona cypress, eastern redcedar, and shortleaf pine. Other trees such as Douglas fir or Scotch pine should not be expected to live when planted in the Lone Star State. These species require cool and moist growing conditions unlike those found in Texas, Smith says.

To help the live Christmas tree survive after planting, he suggests these rules: Do not move the tree indoors before it is to be decorated. While the tree is in the house, be sure its roots do not dry out. This may require watering every day or two. Plant the tree outdoors in a hole several inches larger

than the bundle of soil around the roots. Plant as soon as possible after Christmas. It may be desirable to plant the tree outdoors in a location where it can be used as an outdoor Christmas tree in the following years. For further information on the proper species of live Christmas trees for specific areas of Texas, Smith suggests that interested persons contact their local county agent's office.

FIRST

In Britain, it is the custom for children to leave their toys under the tree until the afternoon of Christmas Day. Santa Claus (Father Christmas) makes his Christmas Eve visit, however, filling the stockings left by the children at the hearth or beside their bed. British legend says the stocking custom originated by accident. Once, St. Nicholas was making his descent down a chimney to leave some toys for a family of children and some gold coins fell from his pocket, dropping into a stocking hung by the hearth to dry. Since that time, Santa has always had something for every stocking.

Christians make up the largest religious group in the world.

Merry Christmas



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Writers And Poets Helped Create Colorful Things About Christmas

Americans who dream of a white Christmas with Santa Claus popping down the chimney to the tune of "Jingle Bells" can thank assorted writers and poets and the northern climate. Christmas in the land of Christ's birth, however, is another matter. What is Christmas like in Bethlehem?

There's generally no snow, for one thing; for winters are mild in the Judean Hills around Bethlehem, reports World Book Encyclopedia. No Santa Claus listens to children's pleas, for he's an American invention based on a European saint. And there's probably no decorated Christmas tree in the village square; that custom originated in Germany.

Instead, the focal point of Christmas in Bethlehem is the Church of St. Mary of the Nativity, supposedly built over the spot where Jesus was born. Here pilgrims from all over the world gather on Christmas Eve. First there is,

carol-singing in the square facing the church. Then all enter for the solemn midnight mass. After the service, an image of Christ is carried in a procession down into the grotto, and is placed in a manger where it lies until January 6, the Feast of the Epiphany. After this ceremony, some may wander into the fields outside the town, where perhaps shepherds long ago heard the news of the birth of Christ.

All this takes place, of course, on the eve of December 25. But that's not the end of Christmas in Bethlehem. For the Eastern Orthodox churches celebrate the holiday on January 6, and the Armenians observe it on January 18, which is January 6 according to the old style, or Julian calendar.

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Every Heart Turns Homeward As Yuletide Season Arrives

EVERY HEART mountains and seas to that "one best Christmas of all" so long, long ago. The sounds and the smells of Christmas are so easily captured... freshly-cut evergreen, a basket of fruits and puts, cookies and pies, turkey roasting in the oven, the pop-pop-popping sound of logs

burning low in a hearth fire. How easy today for the crunching sound of boots in the snow to bring the memory of long ago when young hearts trudged across the crusty fields toward the light that beckoned through the church window, a haven of warmth and peaceful reverence in the near-dawn of a Christmas morn.

How easy to recall the sight of a family gathering about the tree, first for a moment of prayer and thanksgiving, and then the merry sounds, the laughter, as one by one, each opened a gift from beneath the tree.

This is a part of the Christmas, this turning homeward.

If time and distance make the "real" trip home impossible, the next-best thing is a trip down memory lane.

PROPER TOYS

The fact you wanted a certain toy when you were a child is no indication your child would like to have one for Christmas. He might just as soon play with the box and the wrappings.

Toys are for children. They represent wasted money if the child has no interest in them, if they are too "old" for the child, or so complicated only an older child or an adult can manipulate them.

SOUTHERN PLANT

The poinsettia which has to be so carefully potted and protected in colder climates, will thrive in moist, shady areas of the southern United States, Mexico and parts of South America. Red is the most common color, but there are white, pink, and yellow varieties.

SECOND USE

Broken Christmas tree decorations can still be useful. Cut cardboard into star shapes and apply fresh, white shellac. While the shellac is still wet, place the fragments securely on the cardboard. When dry, the shellac will hold them in place.

CHOOSING TOYS

Toys are toys where the young toddlers are concerned, says one leading manufacturer. The time to begin selecting masculine things for boys and feminine ones for girls begins when the child reaches the age of six.

OLD BELIEF

Gypsies believe that holly, ivy and pine were made evergreen in reward for helping screen the birth of Christ from view.

The gypsies used ash for their campfires and were told by their elders that the ash was blackballed from the evergreen list because it had no part in the hiding of the Christ Child.

POINSETTIA

Long before the poinsettia became a popular American Christmas ornament, the plant had great practical value in

Mexico, where the Indians used the red leaves to make a scarlet dye and extracted milky juice from the stems to use as a tonic for nursing mothers.

MONUMENTS



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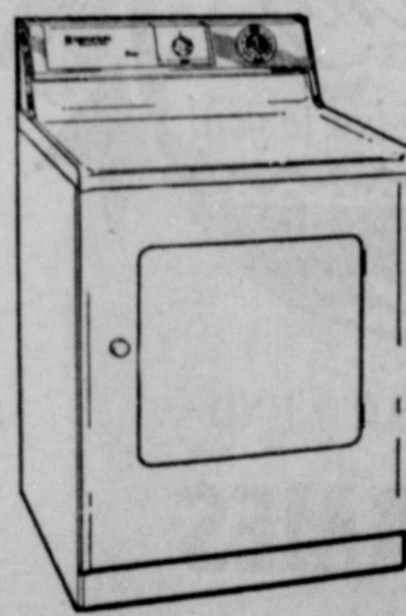
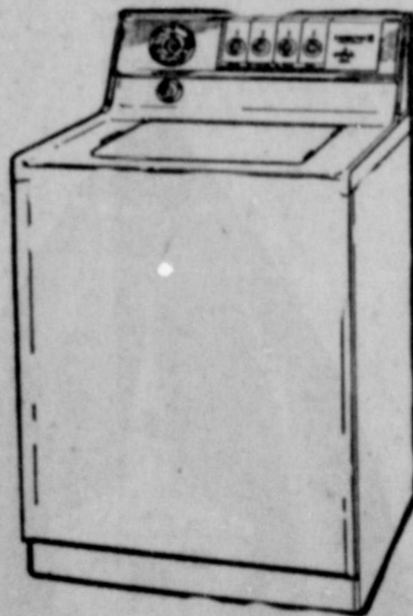
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Ranger Junior College this year has many students from all over Texas and a few from as far as New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania. However, the small towns around Ranger contribute a great number of our students.

This year Olden, which is five miles from Ranger, has contributed six students to our school five boys and one girl.

Cherry Criswell the only girl, plans to either work after attending Ranger or continue her education in a senior college. Her hobbies are swimming and reading. Her future plans are to enter secretarial work. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Criswell, she was valedictorian of the 1964 graduating class of Olden High School.

Don Kelley, a law major, and a business administration minor, plans to continue his education in a senior college after leaving Ranger. Don's hobbies are sports, and he was very active in sports in

**INDIANS HAD MANY USES
FOR RED CRANBERRY**

Cranberries, a traditional part of our Christmas menus, were used in many ways by the American Indians. "Pemmican" was a paste made from cranberries. Cranberry poultices were applied to cuts and wounds and the juice of the berry yielded a red dye.

The Indians called cranberries the "bitter berry." Early American Pilgrims, noting the fruit to be the favorite of cranes, began referring to them as craneberries, and eventually cranberries.

Bennie Rogers, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Rodgers, plans to attend Howard Payne College after graduating from Ranger Junior College, having graduated from Olden High School in May, 1964.

Weldon Thomas, who was active in sports in Olden High School, is majoring in Business Administration and plans to finish college at a university. The son of the H. C. Thomases, he is a sophomore.

Herman Walters, who is majoring in art and taking a minor in mathematics, is a freshman in Ranger College. Herman has many hobbies, such as drawing art, swimming, and cycle riding. He was very active in high school affairs, participating in track and volleyball and served as vice-president of the Beta Club. A class favorite and Most Popular Boy in Olden High, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Walters.

Very active in sports in high school, Ronald Patton played basketball and tennis and ran track in O.H.S. Ronald's future plans are to attend Howard Payne in order to finish his education. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Aburey Patton of Eastland, he was second highest ranking graduate of the 1964 senior class of Olden High School, where he was named senior class president and voted Most Likely to Succeed.



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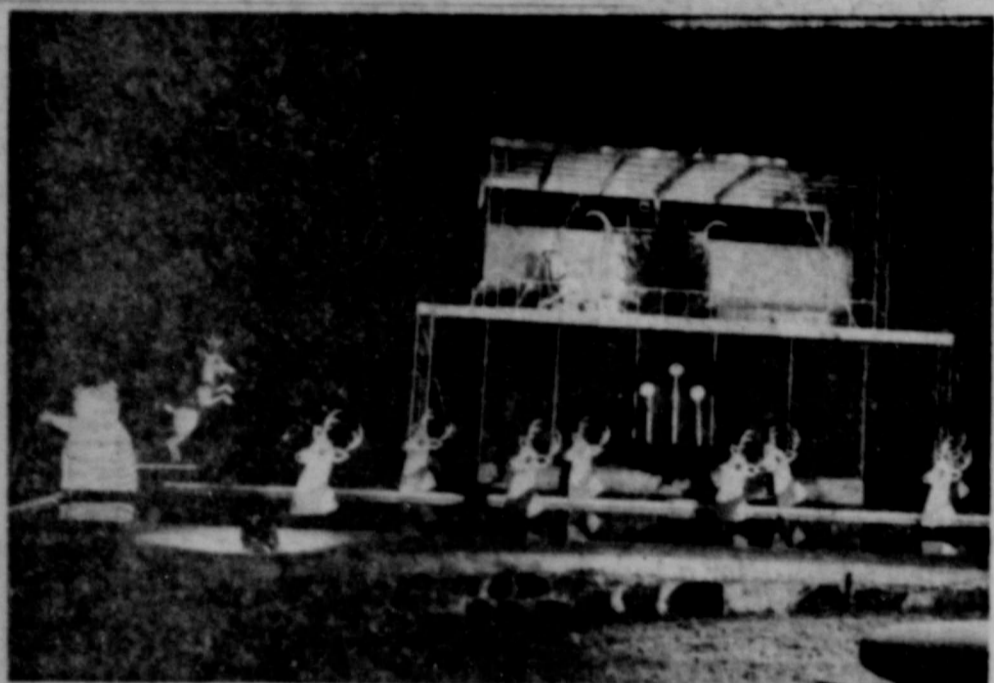
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On December 18, 1939, a Social Security Field Office was opened in Abilene with Eastland County as part of its service area. At that time, no monthly benefit claims were possible, as such did not start until January 1940.

The initial foursome that staffed the office, with the late William O. King as manager, were primarily concerned with the issuance of social security cards, investigation of tax returns containing incorrect or omitted account numbers for the employees shown thereon and answering questions about the checks which would begin with January 1940. The benefit scale at that time was to be a minimum of \$10 a month and a

maximum of \$41.20 a month for insured persons over age 65 who were no longer earning as much as \$15 per month. A total of \$85 per month could be paid to a surviving family with at least 3 persons eligible for monthly checks.

Now, 25 years later, the Abilene office supervises the monthly issuance of some 32,000 checks totaling some \$1,765,000, handling some 150 new claims each week and handling several hundred inquiries and notices pertaining to the suspension reinstatement or termination of monthly checks.

Twenty-five years ago a representative of the Abilene office visited this county rather infrequently. Now such visits are made 8-9 times a month to Rising Star, Ranger, Gorman, Eastland, and Cisco. Schedules for such visits are available at all post offices. The staff now totals 24 persons with R. R. Tuley, Jr., as district manager and H. L. Weatherly as the representative who normally visits this county.

Hints Given On Buying Holiday Season Foods

When selecting candied fruits and nuts for holiday baking and snacking, check the prices of the various size packages. Generally, the larger the quantity, the lower the cost per ounce says Mrs. Gwen Clyatt Extension consumer marketing specialist at Texas A&M.

"Since these holiday treats are family favorites even after the holidays are gone, consider selecting the larger packages. The candied fruits keep well in air-tight jars, and unused nuts store well in the freezer," Mrs. Clyatt says.

Supplies of walnuts, filberts and almonds are expected to be large this year. Pecan production will be smaller than usual, however, harvest forecasts indicate.

Good eating at low prices is available for consumers who look to the less tender cuts of beef, such as pot roasts and stew meats. The current abundant beef supplies make these cuts even more of a bargain than usual.

Select roasts or steaks from the chuck or round, sirloin tip, brisket and short ribs — all of which should be braised or simmered in liquid.

Fork prices are down so pork chops, roasts, spareribs and other fresh pork cuts are good values this week.

Fresh vegetable selections continue varied and good quality. These include eggplant, cauliflower, collards, mustard greens, head lettuce, rutabaga and sweet potatoes.

Apples continue plentiful, with bagging sizes the most reasonable in price. Citrus items, especially grapefruit and oranges, are cheaper by the bag. Prices are lower this week on small size tangerines. Bananas show good quality at pleasing prices, and cranberries, grapes and pears are other good fruit choices.

CHRISTMAS TAMALES

A popular Christmas dish in Central America is tamales or nacatamales. Nacatamales are carefully prepared and cooked for several hours. The ground corn meal, turkey, vegetables, spices and seasonings. In quantities of about one pound the stuffing is wrapped in banana leaves and then boiled or steamed for several hours.

BIRDS AND BEES

Cranberry growers know all about the birds and the bees. And, many of us might not enjoy this holiday fruit if such were not true.

Cranberry growers build homes for swallows near their cranberry bogs. The birds eat destructive insects which would harm the crop.

Bees perform another valuable service-pollination. Cranberry pollen is too heavy to be carried by the wind, so bees pollinate the flowers. Growers have found that the number of bees present per acre of berries has a direct bearing on the cranberry crop.

CHOICE OF TREES

In New England and the Northeast, balsam fir and white spruce are the most popular Christmas trees, while Pennsylvanians often prefer Scotch pine, spruce and red pine.

In the South, red cedar and the scarce but beautiful holly tree are often used, as well as pine.

In the West, cedars and Arizona cypress are favorites, and on the West Coast a wide variety of trees, Douglas fir, blue spruce, Engelman spruce and other locally grown trees are all popular.

Fallen Leaves Can Boost Next Year's Garden

Jack Frost and freezing weather and the leaves come tumbling down. Naturally, they clutter yards and gardens but can be a boost to next year's flower or vegetable garden if handled properly.

Put them in a compost pile, says Dr. Charles D. Welch, soil chemist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Although it may be easier to burn them, the extra time required to put the leaves in a compost pile will return big dividends.

The compost can be used next year to increase organic matter in the soil or for mulching flowers, shrubs or vegetables. Organic matter increases the soil's ability to hold water and makes the soil easier to work, explains Welch. Mulches are valuable for controlling soil temperature and conserving moisture.

Making a compost pile is a simple operation. Scrap lumber or a few feet of net wire and four posts will take care of the enclosure, the chemist points out. Starting with a six-inch layer of leaves—for a four-foot square enclosure—dissolve about three-fourths cup of commercial fertilizer such as 12-12-12 in water and sprinkle the solution over the leaves. For each 50 square feet, spread about one pint of layer.

Alternate layers should be added until the pile reaches the desired height, suggests Welch. The top layer should be left somewhat saucer-shaped to aid in holding water on the leaves.

Decomposition will be enhanced if the leaves are turn-

ed and mixed occasionally and if water is added during dry periods. In areas where soils are acid, the chemist recommends adding a cup of lime to the fertilizer before spreading it on the leaves.

FROSTED AND FRINGED Christmas cards of 1870 were frosted and fringed with heavy silk. The folder type card, so much in evidence today, was not popular during the 19th century, when single cards were more frequently seen.

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IN JAPAN
Christmas is observed widely in Japan despite the fact that fewer than one per cent of the country's population is Christian. Each year, Tokyo's streets are bright with holiday decorations, and "White Christmas" is almost as popular as it is in America.

DWARF MISTLETOE
The Dwarf mistletoe, cousin to the mistletoe we use for Christmas decorations, is a celebrated killer of western conifers. Dwarf mistletoe lives and feeds on the branches and trunks of firs, larches, hemlocks, and spruces and robs the trees of nutrients. Control of dwarf mistletoe is possible only with careful management. Conservationists say there is no known chemical that is a specific for the parasite.

IN RUSSIA
Russian children hang up their stockings on New Year's Eve, in anticipation of Grandfather Frost's visit. Though Communists eliminated the religious celebration of Christmas, they allowed the children's festivities of the season to remain.

IN SOUTH PACIFIC
For Fiji Islanders, Christmas starts at 2 a.m., when carolers wake the villagers with serenades. At dawn, when everyone is awake and assembled, some attend church while others take care of preparing the feast.

IN NEW ZEALAND
Not all living Christmas trees are spruce or fir. In New Zealand there's one called "Christmas tree" that doesn't even need decorating—it blossoms with its own red flowers. The tree earned its name since it blooms in December and January.

KINGLY GIFTS
The gold, frankincense and myrrh presented to the Christ Child by the Three Kings were more than mere signs of wealth. Each had a special meaning. The gold was a sign they accepted Him as their king; frankincense was given as a symbol of His deity; and myrrh as a prophecy of His death.

IN JAPAN
December 25 is not a national holiday in Japan, but you'd never know it from the colorful store decorations and the happy squeals of youngsters gifted by "Santa Claus Son." Department stores may have as many as 100 Santas.

IN GERMANY
The celebration of a West German Christmas is filled with tradition, foremost of which is the Christmas tree, dating back 400 years. Until recently, trees were trimmed with candles, and although artificial lighting for tree ornaments has been introduced, the candles are still preferred by many.

IN HOLLAND
Dasher, Dancer, Prancer and Rudolph would cause no excitement in the Netherlands, where children believe that a horse pulls St. Nicholas' sleigh. The great horse is named Sleipner, and the Dutch children fill their wooden shoes with hay for him. This gives him energy to get St. Nick to every house.



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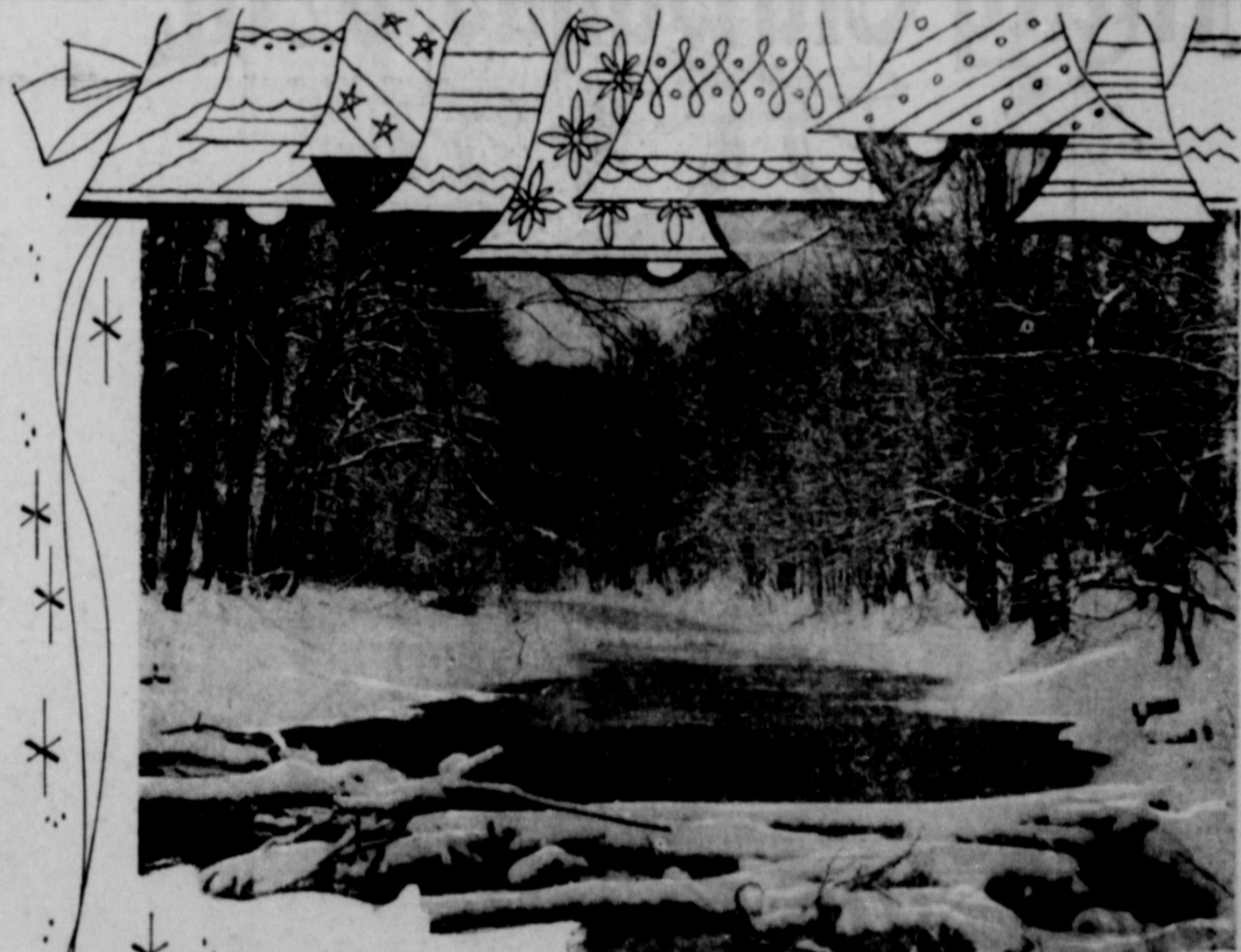
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People Enjoy Christmas In Various Ways Around The World On Dec. 25

Some people enjoy a White Christmas while some people go swimming or picnicking on December 25. Some people say it's traditional to serve turkey at the holiday feast, while some people favor a Christmas goose, and still others contend that carp or fried eel is the very thing for a tasty Yuletide dish.

Around the world, Christmas customs vary, but on one point nearly all are agreed. It's a season to celebrate.

In the United States and Canada, the "melting pot" origins of the population result in a medley of Christmas traditions from all over. Americans and Canadians from Central Europe still prepare their traditional Yuletide foods with carp, while those from Italy might hanker for some Christmas captoni, made with fried

Especially during a severe winter, residents of the Northern U. S. and Canada would be glad to change places, or at least change weather, with those Australians. South Americans and others who enjoy summer activities at Christmas.

On the other hand, North Americans have made their own contributions to Christmas around the world. For instance, there's Santa, white-bearded and red-suited, who is now replacing St. Nicholas and other Yule gift givers in many countries.

Mistletoe Wards Off Evil Spirits

Some believe the ancient Druids gave mystical significance to the mistletoe because it grows high among the branches of oak trees, touching neither heaven nor earth. It was believed to be immune, therefore, to the malignant influence of evil spirits.

The Druids, from Gaul, settled in the northwest section of France now known as Brittany. The mistletoe is still popular in France, where it is called "gui."

CANDLEMAKING

Candlemaking is one of the world's oldest professions. Anton Will, a German immigrant, was one of the first candlemakers in the United States. He made candles over a kitchen stove in Syracuse, New York, about 1835, founded a firm which now makes candles for the Vatican.

Another American firm once fashioned candles in the likeness of Lillian Russell and also made the world's biggest wax lights, an 18-foot memorial candle lighted once a year at singer Enrico Caruso's tomb in Italy.

Yet, the traditional natural evergreen continues to be the favorite.

Even in these modern times, favorite decorations are those so popular in "the old days"—multi-colored lights, colored ornaments, icicles, drapes of tinsel and scenes under the tree.

The wine industry of Madeira was wiped out in 1852 when a white mildew killed all the vines.



Peace...
Good Will to All,
at Christmastide.



GLAD TIDINGS
Let every heart rejoice... it's Christmas! To each and every one of our valued friends, we send our most cordial wishes for a holiday season abounding in blessings.

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At this most joyful of holiday seasons, we greet you with sincere good wishes and warm appreciation. Merry Christmas!
MR. AND MRS. CARL PAGE

CARD STORY
The few pennies we pay for today's Christmas card is much less than the price for the few cards available around 1575. Volume is something else, today, too. Last year Americans spent an estimated \$190 million on Christmas cards — spent another \$50 million to mail them.

OLD CUSTOM
In ancient times, mistletoe was used to insure the favorable outcome of crops. Later, its charm was invoked to happily guide the destinies of young lovers. Through the centuries, long after the Druids, who popularized mistletoe with symbolic rites, were absorbed by other cultures, the custom of hanging the mistletoe persisted.

CHRISTMAS TREE
The style of Christmas tree selected and the manner in which it is to be lighted and trimmed is as personal as the clothes one wears. Through the years, numerous ways of decorating and lighting the indoor Christmas tree have been tried as well as a variety of colors and materials for trees.
Aluminum trees, that may be used year after year, have been around for several years.

Merry Christmas to All



May the beauty of the season be reflected in the hearts of all men. We extend our warmest Yuletide greetings and thank you for your thoughtful patronage.



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