

Robbie Currie Becomes County's Gold Star Girl

Robbie Currie, member of the Wellman 4-H club, became Terry county's Gold Star girl for 1946, as she completes her fourth year of work. Miss Helen Dunlap, County Home Demonstration Agent, makes this announcement as the result of judging done Saturday by a committee representing the County home demonstration council. Mrs. Mancel Hinson, chairman of the education committee of the county home demonstration council, was chairman of the judging committee.

Robbie began her 4-H work in 1943, when she was ten years old. To be eligible for the gold star contest, a girl must have completed at least three years of 4-H club work. During her four years of work, Robbie cared for a total of 165 turkeys. Her portion of the returns of the sales has been invested in three 25 dollar bonds, with the 1946 one yet to be bought since this year's turkeys have just been sold. Her part of the returns from the turkeys, has also been used to buy her winter clothing and her Christmas gifts. In addition, this year, she expects to have enough money left to buy baby chicks to start a flock of her own next spring.

Besides caring for turkeys, Robbie has helped her grandmother each year with the home flock of chickens and has raised 105 of her own. Some of these she sold for one dollar each to help buy her own clothing.

Veterans' Vocational Advisory Committee In Session Saturday

The Advisory Committee for the Terry County Vocational school for Veterans met in the office of the County Superintendent for their first meeting Saturday, December 1. This committee, composed of two well-known farmers from each commissioner's precinct, will serve as advisors to the vocational school and to the veterans. Each veteran who enrolls in the school must secure the approval of one member of this committee who will satisfy himself that the veteran is a bona fide farmer who owns or rents a farm on which he can carry out the practices taught in the school.

Veterans who are enrolled at this time were approved at the Saturday meeting and those who enroll at a future date will secure the signature of one member of this board on a form provided. Members of the committee are: V. B. Herring, Tom Smith, H. V. West, A. L. McCoy, F. M. Ellington, Wood E. Johnson, J. R. Thomas and L. R. Riney.

Strike At WTSTC Came Like A Bolt

The strike of students at the West Texas State college at Canyon last week, said to be led by GI's came as a bolt out of the clear blue. The board of regents promptly closed the school, and by Sunday most of the some 2000 students were on their way home, as the holidays were close.

What makes it more difficult to understand, was that no more than two years ago, a lot of these GI's were in the service, some over seas fighting like mad, and needed ammunition and guns in the worst way. Some strikes were pulled at that time, and from the ashes that came from the army-navy boys, a striker, was loved about as well as a rattlesnake. What a change in just two years.

Our understanding is that the trouble is over the demand that the present business manager be dismissed. Just how bad or good the grounds for their demands, we are not qualified to say. All that will probably come out in the investigations.

CITY DECORATES THE STREETS

In addition to the varied colored lights that criss-cross main and Broadway near the square the city this year has set a Christmas tree, adorned with lights, at street intersections on Main and Broadway from the Railroad to the Highway, making a brilliant reminder of the yuletide season.

Two County, Three Precinct Offices Change Jan. 1

Other than the Sheriff office, that of Tax Assessor-Collector is the only county office to change hands on January 1st, when Herbert Chesshir, succeeds J. Virgil Burnett who retires after three terms. Chesshir a Meadow raised boy, who served as City Assessor-Collector here for two years, and several years as Deputy County Collector, announced this week, his appointment of Mrs. Mayfair Davis, who has also had several years experience in this office, as his chief Deputy, and Miss Ruth Hogue as an assistant. Mr. Chesshir feels this experienced crew can handle all collections with promptness and accuracy and pledges his usual courtesy in doing so.

Sam Gossett of Meadow succeeds, Bill Settles as Commissioner of precinct No. 2. Lee Bartlett, of the Needmore Community takes over, precinct No. 3, in place of Wood E. Johnson. H. F. Fox of Gomez, succeeds Duggan Thomas, in No. 4 the southwest part of county. Earl McNeil holds over by re-election in No. 1, the southeast portion.

W. H. Dallas, as Justice of the Peace, remains in, while Chick Holmes succeeds Luther Jones, as Constable.

Present incumbents of the other offices, were re-elected.

Pays Tribute To Pappy John Powell

Dear Jack:

I wish that you would give space in your paper for these few remarks concerning the death of my good friend Pappy John Powell. When I read the account of his death in your paper, there came to my eyes considerable thaw.

I can never forget the first time I saw him; it was back in the year 1906 or 1907 I don't remember. He had some grass and a watering place down near where the Union School building now stands. I came through there with a small herd of cattle for Jack Bryan, another of my good friends and cowboy pals who has passed on to his reward.

Although Pappy John was grazing sheep he gave me a warm welcome and we spent the night with him and in those days, forty years ago, the friendship between the sheep man was not too good, but not so with him. Pappy John was the cook for this concern and all who might pass that way received a cordial welcome. His smile and friendship made you feel that he too was glad to see you.

In those early years of our acquaintance, he was the one man of whom I wished that I could be like as I became older, he being some twenty years my senior. Most all boys have some one whom he would like to grow in years like him. The last time I saw him was two years past and that same wish came into my mind when I left him; he had not changed in his friendship and hospitality in all those forty years.

No man ever lived who had a bigger heart or more friends than Pappy John.

One by one we old timers are passing on but not clad on the cowboy garments, but clad in the Wedding garment that we will wear when the Bridegroom comes:

He is not dead, he is just away; There is no death, the stars go down.

To rise upon some fairer shore, And bright in Heaven's jeweled crown, They Shine Forever More, A true friend, Ben Hurst.

Vandals Find Xmas Trees In Nursery

John King, senior member of the King Nursery, reported last week that a party or parties have been entering his nursery and sawing down his evergreen reportedly for Christmas trees.

Mr. King stated that inasmuch as his trees are quite different from the usual spruce brought in for Christmas trees and sold here, they will be easily identified. Officers are working on the case.

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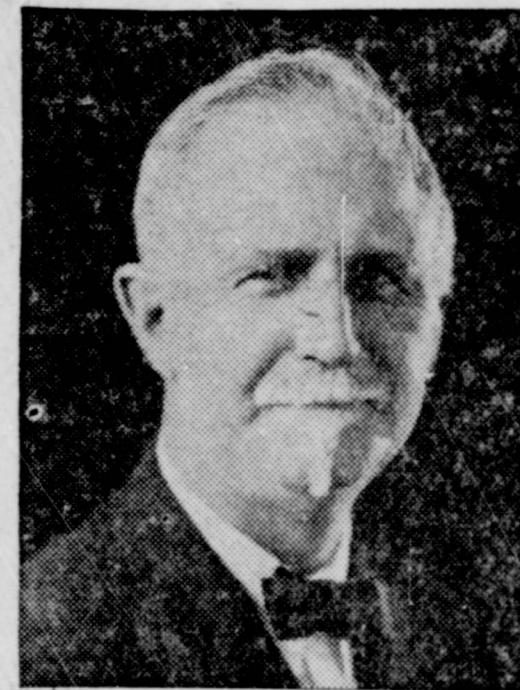
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Herald To Publish Babson Outlook in '47

The Herald will publish Roger W. Babson's Business and Financial Outlook for 1947.

We are calling this feature to your attention because 1947 will be a year of many changes.



Roger W. Babson

Mr. Babson's 1947 Outlook will contain 50 Forecasts covering such important topics as:

General Business, Commodity Prices, Taxes, Trade, Labor, Inflation, Farm Outlook, Stock Market, Real Estate, Politics.

Fireboys And City Employees Have Banquet

Most of the City's 24 volunteer firemen, with wives, joined by the city employees, and wives, enjoyed their Christmas dinner, Wednesday evening at the Legion Hall. Turkey and trimmings were served by Bob Brown, famous local chef.

Our fireman, though unpaid, have established an enviable record in their line. Chief Eunice Jones reports they answered 43 fire alarms during the year, and that only \$9,360.00 have been paid out by Insurance Companies for fire losses. Fire insurance rates for several years, has been given liberal credit because of this city's good fire record.

It is the duty of firemen only to put out fires. It is the duty of the citizen to prevent them getting started. Like automobilizing, a few seconds time, in thoughtful caution may save great damage or even a life. The holiday season being on, enhances fire hazards, and we are admonished to doubly enhance our caution.

Lions Stage Stag Christmas Meeting

The local Lions club who hold their weekly luncheon on Wednesday noon, deferred it till last Wednesday night, at the Wines Hotel. Each member brought a gift package to be handed out Christmas to those most likely to not receive much, in keeping with their benevolent code. Being a stag affair, their entertainment was extemporaneous and among themselves. Because of lack of space, and other reasons we do not publish the jokes they told.

NELSON JEWELRY STORE EMPLOYS NEW JEWELER

Frank Campbell of Lubbock, originally of Lordsburg, N. M. has been recently added to the watch repair staff at the Nelson Jewelry Store.

Eddie Harvins and Lynn Nelson complete the staff of expert watch and jewelry repairmen.

Mr. Corbell, his wife and small daughter reside at 108 W. Hill St.

Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Walker will spend the holiday in Portales, N. M. with Mrs. Walker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Nixon.

Postmaster W. D. T. Story and wife of Littlefield, were here Sunday visiting her mother, Mrs. L. C. Wines and other relatives.



Joy to the World
Christmas

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO OUR READERS AND ADVERTISERS

Kind Friends: Once again the day of all days for most people who are considered civilized draws near. Most people of western Europe and all the Americas have long established Dec. 25th as the day of the advent of a world Savior on this old terrestrial ball. Millions believe with all their heart that the Christ Jesus that was born some 1946 years ago in Bethlehem, is that Savior. Others doubt his divinity but go along with the vast majority in making it Christendom's greatest holiday, even though they think Jesus was a myth.

Also, many of our greatest scholars believe that Christ was born of Mary, wife of Joseph, soon after their marriage, was in the spring of the year instead of the last of December. They base this opinion on the fact that it was taxing time, and that came in the spring. Be as it may, the day has been set. It suits practically all, and one would be more able to change the fourth of July for Americans as a national holiday than change the date Christmas, as the birth date of Christ.

And as we pause and wonder, just as the shepherds in the fields of Judea paused and wondered what was taking place while they were being serenaded by many angels, we wish things to remain just as is. Our men two years ago on the world's fields of battle, among the flying, screaming shells the blasts and bloodshed of a rotten old world, paused in their charges and defenses, to think of home, family and friends. Their dreams were of a white Christmas instead of a crimson one.

So, Christmas is a day of peace on earth and good will to most nations, with only spasmodic fighting here and there, generally in the form of civil strife among the same race or nation. Here in America, most of us who live in the rural areas, and that is about 50 per cent of the population, are at peace with all mankind. Threats of strikes and such human upheavals is all that bothers us, as even that indirectly concerns us, and that not too much.

Road Construction Progressing Nicely

Commissioner Thomas announced early this week, workmen had completed the caliche base on the nine miles of farm to market road, leading west of Wellman to county line, which is ready for hot topping early next year.

Grade surveying is complete on the Needmore-Sundown road, and crews are busy removing REA lines out of right of way, and expect to have it cleared early in January. The State Highway Department is to construct this section, and understood to let contracts in January or February.

SCHOOLS CLOSE TODAY FOR HOLIDAYS

Brownfield Schools take a recess, after today, till January 2nd so that teachers and pupils may enjoy the holidays of Christmas and new years. Because the school lost two days earlier in the season, they do not take the full two weeks, as first expected.

Supt. McCollum announced they now had a full complement of teachers.

We can ride up and down the rural roads in our county, up and down the paved highways, or streets of our towns, and all we meet are our friends and neighbors, and all are willing and anxious to greet each other with the holiday salutation, "Merry Christmas." Even if we have some minor differences of opinion, we are willing to pass that up as the great day approaches, and greet them with best wishes.

We believe this is just as the Christ our Savior would wish. His will of course is that we hold no grudge at any time against our neighbors, but especially that we be friendly and gracious just at this time. There are many and various ways to make a great day of Christmas. The giving of gifts to our friends and loved ones, goes back of course to the three wise men who when finding the Christ in the manger, opened their bags and gave precious gifts. For was he not a new born King?

But there are bad ways to celebrate the birth of the lowly Nazarene. Fireworks could never be appreciated by Him, as he liked the quiet of the mountain or seashore, or the rural homes of his friends. Fireworks are for Fourth of July and such celebrations, if they really have a place in any celebration. Frankly, it would suit us and thousands of others if a law was passed to forbid the manufacture of this dangerous, noise making thinkup to get money, which often leads to fearful toll in pain and misery for those who use them or innocent bystanders, and even the destruction of property by their use.

We cannot close this article without paying a glowing tribute to our many loyal readers, who have stood by us in the years of prosperity and adversity, and the same goes for our many advertisers who become more dear to us as the years go by. They give us their aids with a smile, not especially because they like us, but they have reason to believe that they will reap where they have sown.

A merry Christmas to all.

Several Boys Pay Firecracker Fines

Notwithstanding the widely published ordinance forbidding selling or shooting firecrackers in the city limits, and in haughty disobedience of law, several boys, late last week undertook to rub it in by shooting up the town. City officials quickly responded and seven boys some way up in the teens were rounded up, and added \$10.00 each to the city treasury. Officers are taking no suspended sentences either.

Our local merchants, have wholly refrained from selling any. One merchant ditched his stock on hand before ordinance passed. But a Lubbock man, with more respect for his purse, than for the public, set up a trailer just outside the city limits and proceeded to sell the kids. City officials smarting under this blatant affront, advised him to move on, and are preparing action by way of injunction to stop him. Such action on this man's part is considered by many as a species of bootlegging, black marketing and John L's tactics. Still some of our good citizens, who would rush to

Six Injured In Auto Collision Here

Six persons were injured in a head on collision between two passenger automobiles, last Thursday night about 10:30, in front of Wade Drug store, on First street.

Investigating officers said a car driven by Carroll Forbes, in which his twin brother Harold, and J. T. Gibson were riding going south collided with another car coming north, being driven by Erma Ray Lewis, in which John J. Groff and Roy J. Britt were riding, all employees of a pipe line company here, and all six living here.

Groff, Britt and Gibson, sustained many bruises and lacerations, and remained in local hospital several days for treatment. The two Forbes and Lewis were released after treatment for minor injuries.

County and Highway officers stated a charge of driving while drunk has been filed against one of the drivers.

Instructions About Returning Bodies Of Heroes

Jeff Farley of the Farley Funeral home, handed us a small pamphlet to read, recently. The booklet is put out by National Selected Morticians, has no advertising matter, nor does it urge the removal of bodies of heroes from foreign lands to the USA.

The Pamphlet merely gives advice in case nearest kin do decide on such removal. The government of the United States stands the cost. It contains 14 pages and covers all the grounds necessary for next kin to begin proceedings for such removals.

If there are those in this area who contemplate such removal of their loved ones from foreign countries to home cemeteries, we advise that they procure one of these little booklets and read it carefully.

Sheriff-Elect Murry Announces Deputies

Ocie Murry, newly elected Sheriff is all set to take over his duties, January 1st. After returning here on the 15th, from a two weeks course of instruction in all phases of law enforcement, at Camp Mabry in Austin, conducted by the Department of Public Safety, announced appointment of his deputies.

Bual W. Powell, aged 39, married, well known farmer of northwest part of the county for past seven years was named chief deputy. Powell, who also attended the course of instruction, has taken up residence in town, and will devote full time to the job.

John George, aged 30, married, a well known resident of Meadow for the past 16 years, will serve in that vicinity. It is not known as yet, whether he will have an office deputy as that must be approved by the Commissioners Court.

Mr. Murry requests the co-operation of all toward the enforcement of law in the county, and renews his pledge to do his best to that end.

123 new peace officers and deputies attended the course of instruction, which is given several times a year, to Highway patrolmen and other officers of the State.

Mr. Murry also stated that he did not intend to crack down on youngsters, but try to work with and encourage them to become good citizens.

BASKET BALL GAME RESULTS

Monday night the Seniors ran over the Freshmen at the local gym, 32 to 2, and the same night Junior High defeated Sophomore PE, 42 to 20, while Tuesday night the Cubs, scored over Union, 27 to 20.

Harvesting County's Grain Nears Finish

A check up this week, with local grain dealers and elevator men, reveals that 450 car loads of the county's 1946 flash crop of grain sorghums have been received here. Meadow reports about 60 carloads. Seagraves has received 50, greater part of which was raised in Terry county, and several carloads were elevated at Ropes. However, this includes practically all of the grain sold from Yoakum county, this being their chief market. This totals 560 cars, approximating 27,500 tons, a slight increase over 1945, but about one fourth of the 1944 record crop.

Meadow estimates their area is ninety per cent harvested. Brownfield dealers agree that fully 80 per cent of this section is in the bins. Most of the farmers sold their crop as harvested. Some are holding, under the Government support price and loan plans. Our elevators are officially recognized for storage, by the Government and insurance companies.

Though their capacities has been quadrupled in last few months they are barely sufficient to care for storage, of a larger crop. Dealers report, however, they had a car shortage at beginning of season, they are now receiving plenty of cars to care for all shipments. Incidentally we noticed, our versatile railroad people, have "chinned" up the cracks, or relined a large number of cattle cars, to hold grain. The prices ranged from a low of \$1.55 per cwt. to a high of \$1.85. Intermittent bad weather in November retarded harvesting, but past three weeks of fair weather, put 'em over.

It is quite noticeable how quickly J. Pluvius slammed the severe drought into reverse gear, last days of August and went from worse to good, and how this diversified great South Plains, failing in one crop, can revert to another between a late beginning and early ending of crop seasons. This proves the old adage of the Plains, that it can promise less, and pay more, and we never know till November whether we have a crop or not. If our earthly powers that be, could only emulate the Heavenly powers that are, in Reconversion.

Congratulations To:

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Bagwell, of Denver City on birth of a daughter weighing 5 lbs. and 10 ozs. Dec. 15th. The baby is named Linda Sue.

Mr. and Mrs. U. F. Carwile, of Seagraves on birth of a daughter weighing 7 lbs. and 3 ozs. Dec. 18th. The baby is named Katharine Elizabeth.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rodgers on birth of a son weighing 8 lbs. and 14 ozs. Dec. 17th. The baby is named Billy Joe.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Benton on birth of a son weighing 7 lbs and 3 ozs. Dec. 13th. The baby is named Wesley Elmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Melton Briscoe, Jr., of Rt. 2 on birth of a daughter weighing 8 lbs. Dec. 13th. The baby is named Jamie Dee.

Mr. and Mrs. Will A. Graham, Jr., of Semonile on birth of a son weighing 7 lbs. and 14 ozs. Dec. 13th. The baby is named Leroy Adair.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Petty, of Levelland on birth of a son weighing 6 lbs. and 2 ozs. Dec. 12th. The baby is named James Thomas.

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Out of town games are scheduled for the Holidays.

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To save us from kingdom come we can't seem to work up much sympathy for guys that go around with a roll of greenbacks on them that would choke a mule, and get mulched out of it. It has always seemed to us to be more for show than anything else, and sooner or later, the roll goes, and in not a few instances, the carryee goes too, via the undertaker route. In the good old days when Tom, Dick and Harry could start a bank, with no strings attached, and no government inspection and guarantees, the man with a wad of bills might be excused, but with the vast government controls now on banks, you probably wouldn't lose a penny in a bank in 100 years. In the meantime, millions of dollars are lost annually to crooks, sharps, pickpockets, as well as carelessness on the part of those who insist on carrying their wad with them.

And right here we rise to ask whatever become of the case, the State of Louisiana vs. a negro that escaped the hot chair when the electricity failed to work? The last we heard, it was tied up in the courts, as the negro's attorneys contended that a person's life could not be put in jeopardy twice for the same offense.

The old saying, "save for a rainy day" might sometimes bring a sarcastic sneer from a farmer in west Texas, especially the past two years. You might reverse the saying to this: "Save during the rainy years for dry ones."

About this time last year a lot of the boys who had been overseas for two or three years and more, were getting home, or trying to get a way home from the west and east coasts, with more or less luck. The junior editor of this sheet thought perhaps he was also stranded on the west coast for a week or two, but got a ride home with the Lee family out there, who were coming to Terry to visit relatives, getting in on the 21st, and in time for Christmas with home folks. But all had to travel night and day, as there was no place to stop nights, not even a manger.

It now develops from reading early history or letters that have been preserved, that were written in the early 17th century, that our Pilgrim fathers were not as puritanish as has sometimes been painted. We now learn that it was a fact that they invited their Indian neighbors to a Thanksgiving feast, and that they came in such numbers that the five or six wild turkeys were insufficient, and so the red men deployed in the woods and soon brought back a lot of venison, as well as duck. So, the celebration did not just last one day but three. And now here comes the rub; these old letters say that wine, made from the red and white grapes that abounded thereabouts, was drunk. Poor old Pilgrims, such ignorance. They probably never heard of the Board of Temperance or the WCTU.

"Papa John" Memorial

The official board of the First Methodist church has voted unanimously for the church to conduct an all out intensive campaign for a larger appreciation of the church and attendance in honor of "Papa John" Powell so as to place the church permanently on a 50 per cent higher attendance level. The Stewards are visiting in all the Methodist homes this week, in friendly visits promoting the church plans.

The Stewards are responsible for the attendance and welcome next Sunday. Next week the Stewards will be joined by the membership committees and teachers in visiting and telling the good news of the happenings at the church.

Papa John's Farewell Message

At Papa John's funeral his pastor said he felt impressed to make the following statement:

"Last night while I was thinking about what to say today I felt a profound sense of divine direction in my thought. An old testament prophet would probably have said, "in a vision the Lord said for me to speak words which Papa John would have spoken had he known a week ago that he was to be here now as he is. And these are the farewell words he would have spoken:"

"Friends and neighbors, I am going away. I regret to make this statement, because I know your hearts are filled with sorrow. Life has been very dear to me and has held a wonderfully fortifying interest, even to the end. I love you, all of you, dearly. To be away from you and my work at the church is hard to take "but weep not for me. I have lived a full life and have been here a long time. My strength is gone. I am worn out.

"Besides I am going to a wonderful, happy country, a country of green trees, life giving water and sweet singers. And best of all I will get to be with "Miss Katie" and the children. You know I have missed Mamma Katie a lot. She will be there to greet me. After I have had time to tell Jesus how much I appreciate him, on the very first day we will go for a picnic in a beautiful meadow in Paradise where the children play and young people make love. So please dry those tears and let's sing a song about our Heavenly Home.

"Now I do not want to be preaching to you. But, if you want to do something for me, go out and bring all the children of the Methodist church to Sunday school and church next Sunday. And, of course you old time friends of mine must realize that, if our children are to be good Christians you must take the lead. You are the ones I have loved the longest and I have prayed for you a thousand times. "Please be faithful in your attendance at church. After over 80 years I can truthfully say that no business can be as important as being at church every Sunday. And, if you need rest or recreation, nothing can beat a day of worship with your family and greeting your pastor and friends at church. Get ready for Heaven by doing Heavenly things and walking in Heavenly ways. Put Christ and His church first. I will be waiting to greet you on the portals of the church above. Good by 'til then."

Your Old Friend,
Papa John Powell

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Thompson, of Plainview and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Roper and children, of New Home will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Steele for Christmas.

In mating season bird's eyes may change in color. In one species of blackbird at the mating season, the male has a pale yellow iris, and the female a light brown eye.

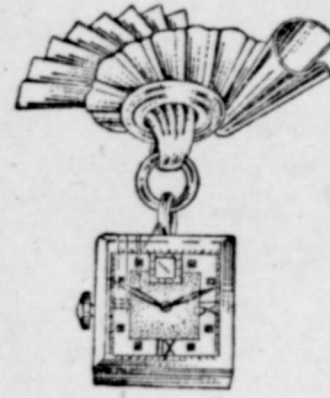
Another suggestion for your bed sheet's double life is occasionally to place the narrow hem at the head of the bed.

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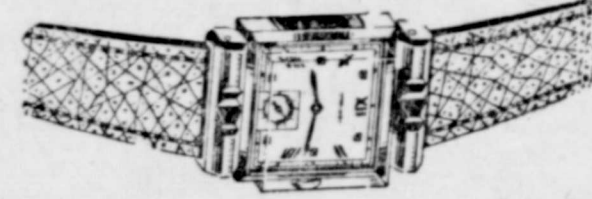


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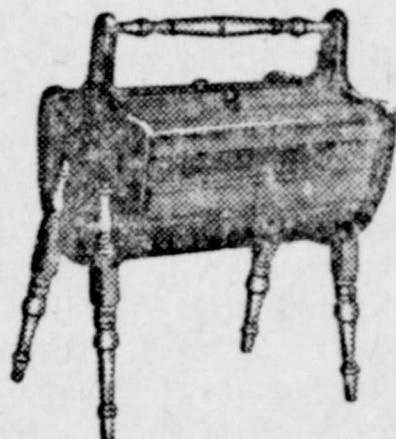
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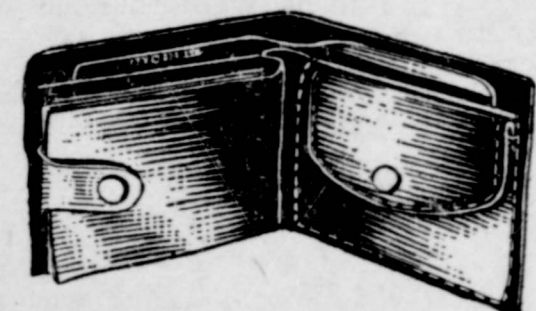
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THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Grady A. Craig,
GREETING:

You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 13th day of January, A. D., 1947, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable District Court of Terry County, at the Court House in Brownfield, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 26 day of November, 1946.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Luther Christopher Ward
GREETING:

You are commanded to answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 20 day of January, A. D., 1947, at or before 10 o'clock A. M. before the Honorable District Court of Terry County, at the Court House in Brownfield, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 6 day of December, 1946. The names of the parties in said suit are: Nora Ward as Plaintiff, and Luther Christopher Ward as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit: Suit for divorce. Plaintiff alleges herself to be a bona fide inhabitant of Texas for 12 months and resident of Terry County for 6 months prior to filing petition. Plaintiff alleges cruelty on part of defendant consisting of refusal to work, drunkenness and unkind and harsh treatment of plaintiff and child. Plaintiff prays for divorce from defendant.

Issued this the 6 day of December, 1946. Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Brownfield, Texas, this the 6 day of December, A. D., 1946.

Eldora A. White, Clerk
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Also for custody of their four children. Issued this the 26th day of November, 1946.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Brownfield, Texas, this the 26th day of November, A. D., 1946.

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Let Us Thank God For A Peaceful Christmas

The following article was written by a US Army Chaplain just after the Battle of the Bulge, Dec. 1944. It reached us too late for Christmas that year, and was held for last Christmas, 1945, but we were too crowded with work and short of men.

Many thousands of our men who were in that fearful battle, will never see a Christmas again; others are maimed for life.

TWAS THE DAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS

'Twas the day before Christmas in a little town in northern France. The weather was clear and cold but there was no snow to help us catch the Christmas spirit. However, that was not the only factor lacking to make ours a Merry Christmas.

News had come that our little town was one of the major objectives of the all-out German drive. In fact the "Boche" had said that they would be there for Christmas. The roar of artillery fire could be plainly heard by day and by night.

The natives were moving out in a constant stream. Some were going by auto, others on bicycles and many on foot, wheeling baby carriages and wheel barrows, pulling carts and packing luggage on their backs. The rumors that they carried concerning the oncoming Germans were more varied, fantastic and highly colored than their methods of evacuation. To hear them talk or to watch their hasty exit you would have thought that we should have joined them in a hunt for a safer place to live.

Then there was "Bed-check Charlie," as we had nicknamed him, with his JU 88. For several nights at the same time he kept us alert with the roar of the motor of his plane and the occasional burst of his guns. Yes, he did his share to try to spoil our Christmas.

Since the beginning our the big German drive the weather had been rainy, foggy, misty all to the advantage of the enemy. Our Allied Air Force was to a large extent grounded. The mist and fog made good camouflage for the oncoming tanks and Panzer units.

To attempt to describe the gallantry and heroism of our men in the front lines would take reams of paper and exhaust the vocabulary of the best of writers. However these reports of action just ahead were continually com-

ing in as units were returning or withdrawing to our area to reorganize and as wounded were being treated and sent on back to a field hospital.

It was in such a situation that we were aroused this "Day Before Christmas" with mingled emotions. The dull roar of the motors of American Bombers was sweet music to our ears on this first clear day in over a week. However any thoughts of peace and safety were being rudely interrupted by the blast of bombs and artillery fire.

In our Sunday worship services this never to be forgotten "day Before Christmas" our Christmas hymns and sermons were punctuated and emphasized by the rumble, blast and roar of guns in action just ahead. How far ahead our front lines were cannot be told. One CO who came into our area with his wounded for treatment and the rest of his men for feeding and reorganization was asked where our front lines were at the moment. His reply was quite revealing for he turned to our Commanding officer and said, "You ought to know for you are now our front lines." This opinion was reiterated time and again by wounded and returning battle weary men who said that there were no defense units between us and the enemy. The stories of German massacre of our wounded can hardly be discribed here.

Of course our own Battalion defenses had been set up for days. These defenses were now being strengthened hourly by reinforcements of efficient fighting units. Our guards, road blocks, patrols and all were keenly alert to the situation.

A part of the afternoon of this memorable "Day Before Christmas" was spent in our Battalion Dispensary which had become a Battalion Aid Station for the wounded coming in by truck and afoot. The never to be forgotten impressions of the afternoon began description. Some of them were confidential and most too sacred to be put into writing. As we knelt on the dirty floor beside the stretcher of a fine Protestant lad, whose life was in the balance, we tried to offer a few words of encouragement and breathe an earnest prayer in his behalf. Beside us knelt his buddy, a Catholic lad, and he too was praying earnestly for his battle chum.

From this scene, after a few bites of chow, we turned to our Christmas Eve Service in an atmosphere and under circumstances far different from the Christmas Eve scenes brought to us by memory. However in an humble place of worship amid these strange and untoward con-

ditions a fine group of men gathered to sing Christmas Carols and worship. No words of men can convey the enthusiasm or spirit of their singing which rescued us from the tenseness of the situation and brought to us some of the true Christmas spirit. As the strains of Silent Night died away we made our way to our places of sleep or duty fully conscious that where war had stolen most of the material factors that have made up our previous Christmas seasons, the Christ of Christmas was permitting us to partake of His spirit and thus enjoy the real spirit of Christmas.

From this service we went to Battalion Headquarters to learn that our defenses were being further strengthened and that additional reinforcements were due in the morning. We looked at our watches; it was not time for "Bed Check Charlie" to put in his appearance again. However, smiles of thanksgiving were on our faces as we gave vent to a variety of remarks, for we knew that one of our American planes, had efficiently, effectively and adequately taken care of or disposed of our tormentor the night before. Yes, "Bed Check Charlie" and his plane were resting in peace or should I say pieces on yonder hillside.

And thus as this strange and eventful "Day Before Christmas" came to an end we alertly watched and waited for Christmas Morn. At 1:30, or 0130 hours, after wishing few a Merry Christmas we slipped off to bed at the C. O.'s instructions. We felt like saying

"Young Man (?), you have had a busy day," and went off to sleep to the tune or rumble of artillery fire.

Christmas morning we were aroused by the melodious drone of the motors of our Allied bombers and fighters. It was now daylight and strong reinforcements had come in and were still coming. All of which was mighty good news to us.

As we made our way to our Christmas Worship service, it was with a sincere prayer that the Lord would help us bring to these men of our armed forces, the Christ of Christmas. Yes, and here they came, these men of whom parents, loved ones and country alike may well be proud. These fighting men who for days had stood up to the worst the enemy

could dish out came trooping fully armed with their trusty rifles and other weapons. There they sat keenly alert to the whole situation. They sang the Christmas Carols and entered into the spirit of the service with the same wholehearted enthusiasm that had made them such good soldiers the day before Christmas and many days before that.

We have preached to larger and better dressed audiences in more beautiful places of worship and under circumstances more favorable to the Christmas spirit. However we have never spoken to a more interesting, challenging or appreciative crowd of men. We tried to lift up the Christ of Christmas and challenge these men to extract from this very different and strange Christmas a-

midst the tragedy of war, the true spirit of Christmas. We urged them to join the wise men of all time by bringing their lives, their gold, frankincense and myrrh to the Christ of Christmas.

Their firm manly handshakes and sincere expressions of appreciation as they said, "thank you, Chaplain" were enough to make up for the lack of a Christmas Tree and packages from home. Thus we had a Merry Christmas and thus ends our story of "Twas the Day Before Christmas."

Robert W. Gasdner
Chaplain (Capt).

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Brooks will spend Christmas Day in Lubbock with Mrs. Brooks mother, Mrs. Doty Wilson.



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Texas 4-H'ers Win Chicago Trips



Jeanette Metzger Margie Gail Burks Harold Rampy Jewel Ann Shirley

SUPERIOR records in 4-H Better Method Electric, Canning, Clothing and Girls' Record award programs have won 1946 state championship honors for four Lone Star State club members. Each receives an all-expense trip to the 25th Anniversary National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago, Dec. 1-5. The winners, who were selected by the state club office, and brief outlines of their records follow:

Jeanette Metzger, 16, of Converse, was named state winner in the 1946 National 4-H Clothing Achievement Activity for having the top ranking record of sewing, making over or mending 60 garments for herself and other members of the family. She also made dresser scarves, crocheted chair backs, a luncheon set and various pieces of embroidery work. Jeanette entered five dress revues and has won many placings on her exhibits, including \$45.75 in cash prizes. She served as a clothing project leader for two years and as club president for one year. She has also held numerous offices in the county council. Her trip award was provided by the Educational Bureau of the Spool Cotton Co. Jeanette has been a 4-H Club member for six years.

Margie Gail Burks, 17, of Mt. Enterprise, is the state's top "all around" 4-H girl in 1946. Her achievements during seven years as shown in the National 4-H Girls' Record Activity include preparing and serving 533 meals, making 22 home improvement articles, sewing, making over or mending 75 garments, and canning 1,997 jars of foods. Margie also raised 6 1/2 acres of garden and 255 fowl, and milked six cows. In addition, she set out 26 fruit trees, and planted 101 shrubs to beautify the yard. She won many placings on her exhibits and was named the county gold star girl in 1945. Margie served her club as reporter, vice president, club president and junior

leader. Her three younger sisters and two younger brothers are 4-H'ers. Her trip award is provided by Montgomery Ward.

Harold Rampy, 16, of Lakeview, received the Chicago trip award for outstanding achievements in the 1946 Westinghouse 4-H Better Methods Activity. Harold has been a 4-H'er for seven years. Among his work simplification accomplishments on the farm is that of studying the job of unloading threshed sorghum into a granary. He proposed using a grain elevator powered with an electric motor. He recommends providing electricity on the farm and installing an electrically powered feed-grinder, electric brooder and other labor-saving farm and home appliances and machines. Harold has served as junior leader and treasurer of his own club and secretary of the Hall County 4-H Council.

Jewel Ann Shirley, 17, of Mt. Pleasant, will be one of Texas' delegates to the 1946 Club Congress as a reward for having the highest rating record in the state 4-H Canning Activity this year. Her trip award is provided by the Kerr Glass Corp. During seven years in club work Jewel canned 3,367 jars of vegetables, meats, fruits, jams and jellies. She won many placings on her canning exhibits, including \$35 in cash prizes. Jewel also helped neighbors can 250 quarts of peas and corn for family use. She served her club as junior leader in 1940-41 and as senior leader this year.

All of these activities were conducted under the direction of the Extension Service of the State Agricultural College and USDA cooperating.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Darby, of Estelline and Mrs. Frank Echols, of Lubbock will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Crump Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Griggs and Charles Jenkins, of Monahans will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Jenkins for the holiday.

Rev. and Mrs. Joe P. Murphy will leave the 21st for Ft. Worth to spend the holidays with their parents.

Mrs. F. E. Vandergrift, of Sterling Colorado visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lloyd and daughter, Miss Margaret Kapple over the weekend.



Santa Claus Letters

Dear Santa Claus,
I have tried to be a good girl this year. I am 9 years old. I am in the fourth grade at school. Will you please bring me a real skin doll, and I want a baton and a Hardy Boy Mystery named the Secret Panel.

Will you please bring me a Judy Bolton mystery named the "Secret of the Barred Window. I would like to have a record of Chopin's "Polonaise."

I want a silvertone harmonica. Be sure to remember the other little boys and girls.

Your Friend,
Carole Dallas

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little boy ten years old and am in the fourth grade I go to school at Brownfield. I would like for you to bring me a gun and holster set, a big truck with four cars, but most of all I would like a football and of course, lots of candy, fruit and nuts. Please remember the other little boys and girls.

Your Friend,
Richard D. Baggett

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Crites plan to spend the holiday season in Wichita Falls with Mr. Crites' mother, Mrs. C. W. Crites.

Mrs. Lula Tomlinson, of Sli-dell, Texas, is here visiting her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tomlinson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Worsham, Mmes. Jim Quinton, Bill Marshbanks, Ray Hailey and Jessie Machen were in San Angelo Sunday visiting Mrs. Machen's brother, Mr. G. Baird and Mrs. Baird. Mrs. Machen remained to visit for several weeks.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this means of thanking our many friends and neighbors for their help and words of sympathy, floral offerings, etc., in the death of our brother-in-law and uncle, Ben F. Hill, last week May God's richest blessings rest with each of you is our prayer.
Mrs. W. H. Hill and children.

I'm getting tired of looking at half-page ads in the Sunday papers, advertising new automobiles. I'd just like to see some new automobiles. And, by the way, since the so-called manufacturers don't seem to be manufacturing any automobiles, where do they get the money from to pay for those ads?

A young man was sitting in the T. & P. station in Fort Worth holding a baby in his arms. The baby began to cry, attracting everyone's attention. A man walked over with a smile of pity on his face and asked, "A woman gave you that baby to hold while she went to see about her baggage didn't she?"

"Yes."
The man began to laugh and then remarked, "I tumbled to the fact as soon as I saw you. You expect her, I suppose?"

"Of Course."
Again the other laughed. "This is rich! Looking for her, any minute?"

"That's right."
Once more the man laughed and then said, "I had a woman play that same trick on me once. Young man, you've been played for a hick. I would advise you to turn that baby over to a policeman and get out of here before some newspaper reporter gets hold of you."

The man holding the baby insisted, "She'll be back."
"What makes you think so?"
"Because she's my wife and this is our baby."

The crowd roared and the man slunk away.

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Social Events of the Week

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MRS. BLAIR ENTERTAINS DELTA HAND CLUB

Mrs. Mike Blair entertained the Delta Hand Club with two tables of bridge Wednesday evening of last week. Mrs. Tom Crawford scored high for members and Mrs. Lawrence Dean for guests. Mrs. N. T. House received second high and Mmes. Ed Mayfield and Wayne Brown won in the games of Bingo. A Christmas party was enjoyed after bridge.

A sandwich plate was served to Mmes. Ed Mayfield, Wayne Brown, Jack Benton, N. T. House, Tom Crawford, Lawrence Dean and Bill Brown.

BROWNS HONORED ON ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Brown were named honorees at a dinner on their twenty-first wedding anniversary by Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Dean Thursday of last week. Bridge furnished diversion after dinner.

Guests were: Messrs. and Mesdames Beryl Hahn, N. T. House, Ed Mayfield, Tom Crawford, Crawford Burrows, Mike Blair, Martin Line and Mrs. Jack Benton.

Mr. E. L. Sturges, of Hamilton, Ohio came in Wednesday to spend the holidays with his family.

MRS. KIRSCHNER ENTERTAINS LA FIESTA CLUB FOR CHRISTMAS PARTY

Mrs. Jerry Kirschner entertained the La Fiesta Club Thursday of last week with three tables of bridge. Mrs. Tom Harris scored high for club member and Mrs. Jack Shirley high for guests. Mrs. Terry Redford scored second high.

Refreshments were served to Mmes. George Germany, Cotton Neely, Phil Gaasch, Ralph Ferguson, Al Muldrow, Clyde Truly, Jack Shirley, W. O. Schellinger, Terry Redford, Tom Harris, Kenneth Hill, Gordon Richardson and Chad Tarpley.

KEN MULDROW CELEBRATES EIGHTH BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Al Muldrow named her son, Ken, honoree at a party Wednesday afternoon of last week to celebrate his eighth birthday. The guests came dressed as cowboys and enjoyed games suitable to the costumes. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served.

The guest list included Kenneth Lee Kendrick, John Holmes, Sammy Kendrick, Nick Jenkins, Russell Portwood, Don Copeland, Otis Zane Newton, Steven Lynn Brownfield and Mont Muldrow.

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BRUCE ZORNS ENTERTAIN CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Zorns entertained their club with three tables of bridge Friday night of last week. Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Williams scored high, and Mrs. Tommy Hicks won in the game of Bingo and received a poinsetta. Gifts were exchanged from under the Christmas tree.

Baked ham, potato salad, bread and butter sandwiches, fruit cake, and coffee were served to Messrs. and Mesdames Tommy Hicks, Bill McGowan, T. C. Williams, Phil Gaasch, Mr. Sawyer Graham and Miss Twilla Graham.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON CLUB HAS XMAS PARTY

The Wednesday Afternoon Club met with Mrs. Ted Hardy last week for bridge and their Christmas party. In the games of bridge Mrs. W. A. Roberson scored high and Mrs. Hardy, second high. Mrs. Crawford Burrows won on the game of Bingo.

Fruit cake and whipped cream and coffee were served to Mmes. W. O. Schellinger, Cotton Neely, Joe Miller, Kyle Graves, W. A. Roberson, Crawford Burrows and Tommy Zorns.

J. D. Stafford and Sam Carouth are among the new readers.

LAS AMIGAS CLUB HAS CHRISTMAS DINNER

A Christmas dinner and party was enjoyed by members of the Las Amigas Club Wednesday evening of last week in the Auxiliary room of the American Legion Hall. Christmas greens and candles decorated the mantel and dinette table. In the games of bridge Mrs. Orb Stice scored high and Mrs. Prentice Walker, second high.

Guests were: Mmes. Spencer Kendrick, Jerry Kirschner, Burton Hackney, Frank Ballard, Al Muldrow, Orb Stice, Lal Copeland, Ike Bailey, Troy Noel, Elsie Kendrick, Chad Tarpley, Prentice Walker and Jack Stricklin, Jr., Mrs. W. E. Latham was a dinner guest.

W M S HAS ROYAL SERVICE PROGRAM

The Women's Missionary Society of the Baptist church met Monday at the church for a Royal Service program and business meeting combined as the organization will not meet next Monday. During the business session resolutions for the coming year were adopted and will be read at the watch service to be held at the church New Years Eve.

Mrs. Carl Johnson was in charge of the program that told of the needs and of the Christmas customs of foreign lands. Mrs. Jim Jones told of the needs and customs of Palestine, Mrs. Johnson, Europe and Mrs. Claude Henderson, Africa. Mrs. Gladly Moorhead gave the devotional.

MRS. McCLAIN ENTERTAINS IDEAL CLUB

Mrs. R. N. McClain entertained the Ideal Club with three tables of bridge Wednesday afternoon of last week. The Christmas theme was used in tallies and decorations for the house. Mrs. Reagan Peeler scored high and Mrs. Roy Herod, second high. Mmes. Lee Allen and Bob Bowers won in the games of Bingo.

A salad plate was served to Mesdames Bob Bowers, Wilson Collins, Roy Herod, Joe McGowan, Dick Meyers, O. L. Peterman, Reagan Peeler, Lee Allen, Jack Bailey, Walter Hord, Jerry Kirschner and Jack Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Lang and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. King were among the fans at the Odessa-Wichita Falls game in Odessa Saturday. En route home they visited Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Turnbull in Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Redford were guests at the wedding of Mrs. Redford's niece, Miss Vondell Guthrie and Mr. John Vanbeber at the St. John's Methodist church in Lubbock Thursday evening at 7:30.

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DINNER DANCE GIVEN BY PLEASURE CLUB

The Pleasure Club entertained with an informal dinner and dance in the Legion Hall Friday evening adding gaiety to the holiday social season. Only club members and their husbands were guests at the dinner which was served buffet style in the Auxiliary room. A huge Christmas tree and other decorations gave the room a festive air. Dinner was eaten by candle light. After exchanging gifts guests of the members came out and dancing to popular records was enjoyed.

Dinner guests were: Messrs. and Mesdames Joe Shelton, Clyde McLaughlin, Mike Barrett, John L. Cruce, J. T. Bowman, Lee Brownfield, Jack Hamilton and Mmes. E. L. Sturges and N. L. Mason.

MRS. MEYERS ENTERTAINS WITH LUNCHEON

Mrs. Dick Meyers entertained with a luncheon and bridge Friday of last week. In the games of bridge Mrs. R. N. McClain scored high and Mrs. Bob Bowers, second high. Bingo was won by Mrs. Glen Akers and Mrs. McClain.

Guests were: Mmes. Joe McGowan, R. N. McClain, Glen Akers, Wilson Collins, Bob Bowers, Reagan Peeler, Ray Burke, of Midland, J. R. Wright, Clarence Taylor and R. L. Hodge.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Adams have as their guests for the holidays, Mrs. M. R. Paddock of Casper Wyoming, who arrived Sunday and Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Royer, of Waco, who will arrive today. Mr. and Mrs. Royer will also visit with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. E. Royer, of Albuquerque during the holiday season.

Cpl. and Mrs. Jack Walker came in Wednesday from Shreveport, La., to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Walker and Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Grant. Cpl. Walker is on terminal leave and will receive his discharge from the Air Corps in January.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Meyers left Tuesday to visit in Ft. Worth with their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Kincaid and their new son. They will also visit their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Meyers in Edna.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Tarpley, Mrs. Ruth Huckabee and Jerry Don, Grace Tarpley, Milton Hughes and Rex Perry, of Abilene and H. L. Teat, of Ft. Worth are making plans to leave the Sunday following Christmas for a two day hunting trip in Bandera county and then go on to San Antonio for the Alamo Bowl game, New Years Day.

Commissioner Earl McNeil just barely got in under the wire when he called to renew last week.

W. S. S. HAS CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

The Women's Society of Christian Service met in Fellowship Hall Monday at one o'clock for a Christmas luncheon. A Christmas tree for the church was decorated and gifts were exchanged. Mrs. J. H. Carpenter, president of the society, presided over the business meeting.

Those present were: J. H. Carpenter, W. B. Downing, H. O. Longbrake, G. S. Webber, R. N. Huckabee, J. L. Randal, Terrill Isbell, Jim Jackson, Cleve Williams, N. T. House, Glenn Harris, E. L. Thompson, A. E. Proctor, Joe Johnson, V. D. Gordon, W. A. Bell and Lee Walker.

Guests were: Rev. Mr. R. N. Huckabee, and Mesdames Mon Telford, Leo Holmes, J. B. Knight, F. L. Maufin, J. W. Hogue, R. E. Fulton, V. D. Walker, Stella Hare, Simon Holgate, F. W. Simpson, Lula Singleterry and Roy Herod.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S SERVICE GUILD

The Women's Service Guild of the Presbyterian Church held their Christmas social at the home of Mrs. James King Monday afternoon. Gifts were exchanged and Christmas carols were sung.

Open faced sandwiches, molded jello salad and hot chocolate were served to Mmes. John King, Joe P. Murphy, L. L. Bechtel, W. B. Brown, Peter Forness, Richard Faegan, Ray Hughes, Coffee and A. T. Pickett.

THE STORK SCORES OVER REAPER IN 1946

According to the birth and death records kept in Justice Dallas' office, the Stork brought to Terry county during this year, 388 babies, while death taken a toll of 69 people. Among the births was three sets of twins, Bob Thomsons, twin boys April 22nd. Mr. and Mrs. Autie Bandy, Nov. 21st, twin girls, and O. H. Johnson and wife of Seagraves, twin girls on Nov. 26th, via Treadaway Daniell Hospital.

A considerable increase in births over last year, while the death rate was about the same. The County Clerk, during this year issued 215 marriage licenses, as compared with 160 for 1945.

Mrs. Jessie G. Randal will spend the Christmas season with her daughter, Mrs. Percy Spencer in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Chad Tarpley entertained with a dinner Monday evening. Guests were: Messrs and Mesdames Jack Bailey, Walter Hord, G. W. Tarpley and Mr. W. L. Holland, of San Angelo.

CEN-TEX HARMONY CLUB HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY

Mrs. Joe Price and Mrs. D. P. Carter were hostess Monday evening when members of the Cen-Tex Harmony club met in the Price home for their Christmas program and party. The Christmas Story was given by Mrs. Homer Newman and Mrs. Wayne C. Hill sang "Holy City" as a solo, accompanied by Mrs. R. N. Huckabee. Miss Kathleen Hardin gave a Christmas reading.

The refreshment table was centered with an arrangement of Christmas greens and red candles. A sleigh with reindeer and snowmen and Santa Claus canals decorated the buffet above which hung a large mirror frosted and bearing the greeting, Merry X-mas. Gifts were exchanged and food and toys brought to fill a basket for the underprivileged.

Those present were Mmes. W. H. Dallas, J. M. Teague, Billy Moore, R. A. Brown, Wayne C. Hill, N. L. Mason, Homer Newman, R. N. Huckabee, Woody Walker, Gertrude Mason, S. T. Miller and Misses Delia Wall, Edith Creighton and Kathleen Hardin.

After adjournment the group visited the hospital and various ones who are invalids and ill, singing Christmas carols.

Winston Churchill Has A Handicap

LUBBOCK, Dec. 20— Placing long distance calls, cashing checks and registering in hotels are major problems for Winston Churchill, Texas Technological College basketball player. People think he is kidding when he gives his name.

Churchill, a Sterling City lad, is a fifth nephew of the former prime minister of Great Britain, for whom he was named.

"It's practically impossible for me to cash a check regardless of the amount of identification," young Winston declares. "When I tell a hotel clerk my name, he usually gives me that 'Yeah, and I'm Josef Stalin' look."

Churchill, who treasures a cablegram from his distant uncle while the latter was prime minister, has had so much trouble placing long distance telephone calls he now uses his other name, George, most of the time.

NOTICE CUB SCOUTS

The Cub Scouts will have their Christmas party at the Presbyterian church tonight at 7:30 o'clock. During the month the boys have been repairing their discarded toys and will bring them to the party to be given to the underprivileged children.



We must move out all Christmas Merchandise. Shop our store for the many items you need for yourself and for gifts. Some at greatly reduced prices.

FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

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Christmas is the one great event that transcends the bounds of any one country and embraces the whole world. In much the same way there is no limit or bounds to our good wishes for you for a Merry Christmas.

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MAIDS AND MATRONS XMAS PARTY HELD AT MRS. TEAGUE'S

The Maids and Matrons Club met in the home of Mrs. J. M. Teague Wednesday evening for their formal Christmas party. Mes. Lee Fulton and Redford Smith were co-hostesses. Games were played, carols were sung and a Christmas story was read by Mrs. Teague.

After the exchange of gifts refreshments were served to Mes. Joe McGowan, Mon Telford, T. E. McCollum, Ralph Gerguson, A. J. Stricklin, R. N. Huckabee, Bettye Criswell, E. C. Davis, W. A. Bell, Al Muldrow, Leo Holmes, Joe Price, M. G. Tarpley, Jessie G. Randal, A. A. Sawyer, Money Price, Roy Wingerd, J. R. Wright, D. Aycock, of Midland and Misses Kathleen Hardin and Olga Fitzgerald.

Mrs. Dick Fallis visited the J. B. Pattersons in Amarillo the first part of the week.

Mrs. Paul Green and Mrs. Herman Gilmore, of Seagraves were in town shopping Monday.

R. O. Black, Terry county cotton census reporter for US Agricultural department, reports only 414 bales of cotton ginned from the 1946 crop up to Dec. 1, compared with 3379 in 1945. Let us hope Terry gets back to its normal of around 40 to 50 thousand bales next year.

J. B. Burke was in last week to renew. J. B. in the days gone by would always buy some TB Christmas seals from us when they had to come from Austin. Now he gets them from the local organization at the courthouse.

Miss Dollie McLeRoy is now with the Gaines County Hospital at Seminole, hastened to write to have her paper changed from Levelland, as "she did not want to miss a copy."

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Resler, of Stillwater, Okla. will arrive Monday to spend Christmas with their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Gaasch,

Santa Visits Us Before Christmas

A Mr. Jones, we never have been able to learn his initials, played Santa Claus to us last week. He's the man that backs his truck up on the south side of the square daily and sells fruits and nuts.

Barging in, he began laying package after package of fruit, nuts etc., on top a filing cabinet, and as he disgorged his load, he smilingly remarked, "you can't say that Santa Claus hasn't visited the Herald."

Well, sir, Mr. Jones, as a alternate helper of Santa, we sincerely thank you.

John Hill of route 5, renewed for his Herald this week.

Pate Collier and Frank Campbell are new readers.

Homer Lassiter on route one out of Seagraves, was up this week and handed the Herald two bucks for renewal.

F. G. Roberts of route four, handed in his renewal this week.

R. E. Townzen of route one, dropped in this week to renew for his Herald and Morning Avalanche.

Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Davis and son, Earle are leaving this afternoon to spend the holiday season in Union City, Pa.

Dr. E. C. Davis and Mr. L. O. Lewis were in Dallas on business over the weekend.

Messrs. Phil Gaasch, Charles Wilson and Jackson and Polson, of Tulsa, Okla. are in Midland this week on business for Stanolind.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wright have as their houseguest for the holidays, Mrs. Wright's mother, Mrs. D. Aycock, of Midland.

Congressman George Mahon sent in his check for another twelve months of the Herald, to go to Washington, D. C.

PVT. MYRON G. HARRIS COMPLETES COURSE

FORT MONMOUTH, N. J. Dec. 13 — Pvt. Myron G. Harris of 420 Buckley St., Brownfield, has successfully completed a communications specialty course at the Signal Corps School here and is now a qualified Installer Repairman it was announced today.

He has been transferred to Camp Kilmer, New Jersey and has been granted a delay enroute of 14 days before reporting to his new station on Dec. 24.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Bandy, Mrs. Charles Wayne Bandy and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bandy, of Seagraves attended the golden wedding anniversary celebration for Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Cobb in Estelene Sunday. Mrs. Cobb is the aunt of Mr. W. L. Bandy.

Ed Thompson and family came in last Thursday night from Grandview, where he attended the funeral of his brother, Dube. Rained nearly all the time I was down there, Ed stated.

W. M. Wooley of the Gomez community, was in this week to renew for his Herald and daily. Says he hasn't made anything on farm the past two years, but right straight he began to tell us how many biscuits and home spun sausages he ate for breakfast.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Horton, of Meadow will have as their guests Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Heath and children and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Horton and children of Odessa, and Mr. and Mrs. Winferd Horton and children, of Brownfield.

Ben Hurst of Wellington, manager of Cicero Smith Lumber Co. yard in that city, dropped in on us this week with a check for \$2 for, as he terms it, "the best paper in Texas." That's covering a lot of territory, but we appreciate his opinion. By the way, Ben announces that he is now a grandpaw. Congratulations, old timer, and we're glad it don't make you feel a lot older.

READ HERALD WANT ADS

Union News

The Box Supper and Coronation ceremony was well attended and was a big success. Wanda Wood was crowned the Queen of Union High School. Joyce Simmons was made Queen or Grade School. Mr. Brooks of the Lowe's Studio at Brownfield was present and made several pictures. Especially do we want to thank the auctioneers, Mr. Jeff Farley and Co. Attorney Virgil Crawford, for their help in making the box supper a grand success.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Gruben and children left Wednesday for a two weeks visit in California. They plan to visit Mr. Gruben's parents and other relatives while there.

Ben Hill a long time resident of Terry county passed away at his home in this community. Funeral services were conducted at the Baptist church Friday afternoon at two o'clock. Interment was in the Union cemetery. Mr. Hill has a niece, Ellen Hill, in school here. School was dismissed Friday afternoon for the funeral.

Don't forget the Christmas program to be presented by the Grade school children Friday night, Dec. 20. Everyone is invited.

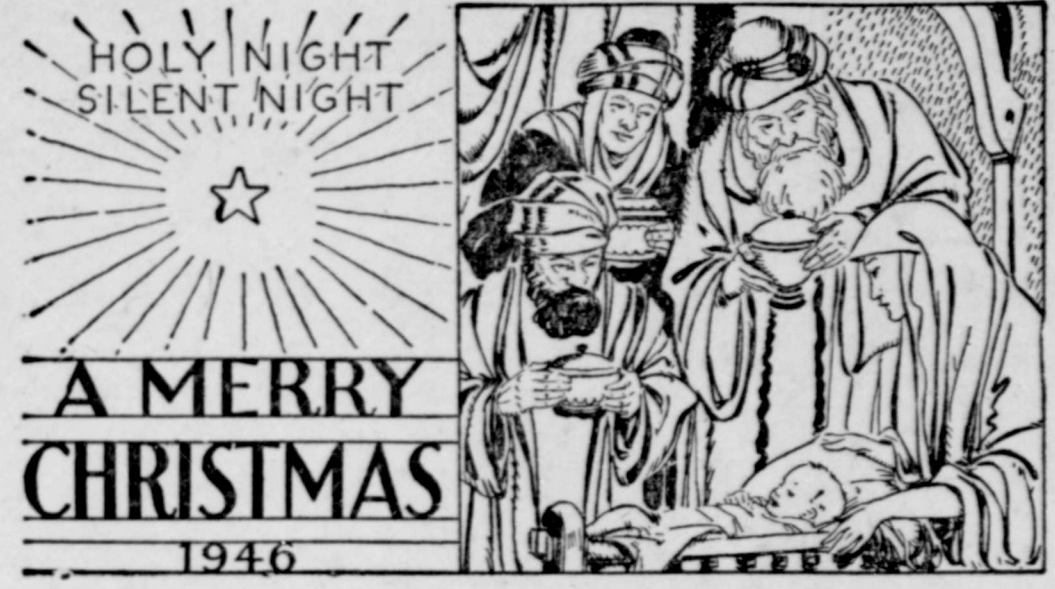
Plans are complete for a Christmas program at the church Sunday night, Dec. 22. Everyone come. All are also invited to attend Sunday school and church Sunday morning and night.

Cpl. and Mrs. James Wilson Lanious, of Dayton, Ohio, are visiting relatives in this county. They were guests in the Lanious home here Monday night. Also Misses Billie Jean and Joyce Cave of Pleasant Valley visited in Mrs. Lanious' home Monday night.

Mrs. Juanita Lanious and children, Vida Mae and Eddy, visited her mother, Mrs. Traitt, at Lamesa Sunday afternoon.

The girls' and boys' basketball teams are playing against Meadow teams tonight. (Tues.) Meadow is to play here Thursday night. Some good games are expected.

School will be dismissed for one week for the Christmas holidays. School will be out from Friday Dec. 20 until Monday Dec. 30.



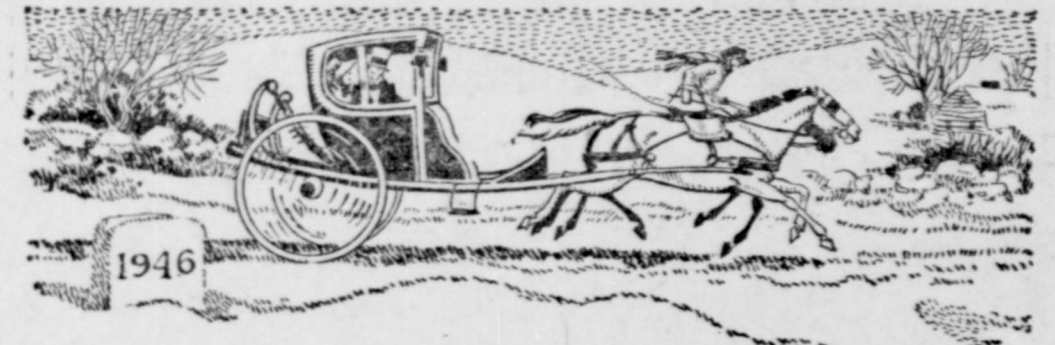
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FORESHADOWED THE CHRISTMAS-
GIVING OF TODAY.

A BEAUTIFUL SENTIMENT THAT DOES
MORE TO PROMOTE THE SPIRIT OF
BROTHERLY LOVE THAN ALL
OTHER INFLUENCES COMBINED.

THE HAPPY SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS
IS DEEP IN OUR HEARTS.

LET IT ECHO IN THE
STRENGTH OF OUR VOICES AS WE
GREET OUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS
ON CHRISTMAS MORNING.

BROWNFIELD MILLING CO.
HOMER AND HENRY NEWMAN



Merry Christmas
TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

Styles change, methods change, but Christmas—never! Beneath it all is the same old love of man for his folks and his neighbors, the same old dream of the day when peace and good will encompass all the earth.

So now in that changeless season of Christmas we greet our friends and neighbors, as so often before, with that timeworn message of cheer and good fellowship, **MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

**Farmers Co-Op.
Society No. 1**



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BROWNFIELD GIRL BEAUTY NOMINEE AT TEXAS TECH

LUBBOCK, Dec 19 — Miss Mary May Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willis W. Johnson of Brownfield, was among the 15 beauty nominees of Texas Technological college who went to Austin this week where Governor Beauford Jester selected the top eight.

Winners will be announced at the college varsity show next spring.

TRY A HERALD WANT AD

COLLINS EMPLOYEES HAVE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

The women employees of Collins store held their annual Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Jack Browder Tuesday evening. Games of Bingo furnished diversion. As each guest Bingoed she received a gift from off the Christmas tree. Evelyn Jo Langford received a prize for Bingoing first and Mrs. Roy Jenkins for being last.

A salad plate with cake and coffee was served to Mmes. Harvey Gage, Roy Jenkins, Eldon Baggett, L. V. Langford, Rudolph Gracey, Ethel Stocton and Misses Jayne Jobe, Nadine Wagner and Christine Chandler.

HORDS ENTERTAIN WITH PRE-CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hord entertained with a pre-Christmas dinner Sunday evening followed by games of Tripoli. The Christmas theme was used in the table appointments and in decorations for the house.

Places were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Murphy May, of Seagraves, Mrs. Rebecca Ballard, Mr. Bill Linder, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Tarpley, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bailey, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Heflin.

Mrs. Charles Wayne Bandy is visiting her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Si Marlin in Plano this week.

ALPHA OMEGA CLUB HAS CHRISTMAS TREE

The Alpha Omega Club met in the home of Mrs. Robert Noble, with Mrs. C. L. Truly and Mrs. Arlie Lowrimore as co-hostesses for their Christmas tree and party. A salad plate was served at small tables with greenery, nandina berries and red candles. During the meal the room was illuminated by candle light.

Mrs. Homer Newman read the Christmas story from the Bible and Mrs. Jack Hamilton told a story pertaining to Christmas. Mrs. Roy Herod accompanied the group in singing carols. Mrs. Sam Teague was program chairman. At the close of the program gifts were exchanged.

Those present were: Mmes. P. R. Cates, Virgil Crawford, Grady Goodpasture, Jake Gore, Jack Hamilton, Roy Herod, Tommy Hicks, Wayne C. Hill, C. L. Horn, Clarence Lackey, Arlie Lowrimore, N. L. Mason, Bill McKinney, Homer Newman, J. L. O'Dell, V. L. Patterson, Buell Price, Sam Teague, Chad Tarpley, Lynn Nelson and J. M. Teague, an honorary member.

SUB-DEBS HAVE CHRISTMAS PARTY

Members of the Sub-Deb Club met in the home of Norma Jo Boyd for their Christmas party and tree Tuesday evening. Games were played and gifts exchanged.

Hot chocolate and fudge squares were served to Chloe Marian Schmidt, Joanne Price, Norma Cary, Mary Tankersly, Betty Ferguson, Barbara Benton, Sherry Harris, Yvonne Forbus, Frances Price, Scharlyn Daniell, Jackie Dubose, Jackie Allen, Margie Cary Patsy Murry and Shirley Summerhill.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Anderson and children, of Goldsmith will arrive the 23rd to spend the holidays as guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Liles.

MES. PATTERSON AND FRANKS ENTERTAIN HELPERS S S CLASS

Mrs. Jimmy Patterson and Mrs. Clay Franks were hostesses Thursday evening of last week at the Patterson home when they entertained members of the Helpers Sunday School class of the Baptist church with a Christmas party.

The Christmas story was given by Mrs. E. C. Davis, a guest, and carols were sung by the group. Gifts were exchanged among the members and Mrs. Paul Campbell presented Mrs. W. M. Vernon, teacher of the class, a lovely gift in behalf of the class.

A sandwich plate with spiced tea and plate favors of Santa Claus made from apples was served to twenty-five guests.

KOLONIAL KARD KLUB ENTERTAINED WITH LUNCH

Mrs. Money Price entertained the Kolonial Kard Klub with a luncheon and bridge Tuesday noon at her country home. A beautiful tree decorated with red ornaments and red cellophane icicles was the center of attraction in the living room. Lunch was served at small tables decorated in keeping with the holiday season. Hand painted plates were given Mrs. Bob Bowers and Mrs. Roy Wingerd for high and low scores. Creme sachet was given Mrs. Mon Telford, who won in the game of Bingo.

Guests were: Mmes. Mike Barrett, C. T. Edwards, E. C. Davis, Walter Hord, N. L. Mason, Buell Price, Jack Shirley, A. A. Sawyer, A. J. Stricklin, Mon Telford, Roy Wingerd and Bob Bowers.

Miss Fave Stephens is now getting the Herald regularly at Temple.

Mr. and Mrs. Dub Forbis, of Lamesa were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Forbis.

FUTURE FARMERS AND HOME MAKING GIRLS HOLD XMAS PARTY

The Brownfield Future Farmer boys and Home Making girls had a Christmas party Thursday night, December 19, in the high school auditorium. Each boy and girl brought a present for the Christmas tree. The program consisted of singing of Christmas carols and telling of Christmas stories. One hundred boys and girls present received a gift from the Christmas tree and a bag of refreshments containing fruit, candy and nuts.

Mrs. Durwood Moorhead is sponsor of the Home Making club, and Thomas Neely is sponsor of the Future Farmer Chapter.

Nelson Brigrance, Reporter.

DELPHIAN CLUB MEETS TUESDAY FOR CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Delphian Study Club met in the home of Mrs. W. A. Roberson Tuesday evening for their Christmas program and party. The first number on the program was "Christmas is Christ" which was a scripture reading, and was given by Mrs. Paul Campbell. "Christmas is Home" was given by Mrs. Andy Campbell and Christmas music was played by Mrs. J. E. Smith. After the program gifts were exchanged from under the Christmas tree.

Refreshments of lime sherbert punch and angel food cake were served from a table laid with a lace cloth and centered with red and white double carnations flanked with red candles. Miss Cleotta Wood presided at the punch bowl.

Those present were: Mmes. M. C. Barrett, J. O. Burnett, Jr., Crawford Burrows, Andy Campbell, Paul Campbell, Herbert Chesshir, Joe Hardin, Kenneth Hill, W. M. Lewis, Durwood Moorhead, Les Short, Lewis Simmonds, K. D. Snedeker, J. E. Smith,

PHI BETA CRAESUS CLUB TO HAVE CHRISTMAS DINNER

The Phi Beta Craesus Club members are being honored with a dinner in the private dining room of the Wines Hotel tonight with Mmes. Ott Stafford, Clyde Miller, Ross Black, Orb Stice, E. L. Sturges, O. L. Jones, R. A. Brown, Beryl Black and Ruth Lowe as hostesses. The menu will consist of molded chicken loaf, stuffed celery, creamed potatoes, buttered peas, hot rolls, date nut cake and spiced tea.

The table will be laid with a white cloth and centered with a small Christmas tree. Graduated candles, interspersed with clusters of greenery and silver pine cones, tied with red satin bows, will radiate from the tree down the length of the table. Tiny red candles on decorated pine logs will be used for place cards and favors.

After dinner an exchange of white elephant gifts will be enjoyed.

The guest list will include: Elizabeth Anthony, Billy Beryl Black, Patsy Black, Nelda Brown, Dixie Brown, Martha Cranford, Billie Faye Finney, Lolores Gillham, Jean Craig, Delma Green, Judy Griffin, Betty Holmes, Juanelle Jones, Betty Sue Kelly, Eleanor Miller, Shirley Jean Miller, Mary Ellen Patton, Jeri Pat Roberts, Wanda Stafford, Barbara Ann Stice, Lynn Sturges, Janelle Thompson, Hazel Vernon, Maurine Wagner, Mary Wanda Whitney, Jane and Nancy Wier and Jean Garnett.

NOTICE MEMBERS OF THE EASTERN STAR

A candle light Christmas service will be held in the Masonic Hall tonight at 7:30 p. m., also a Christmas tree and gift exchange.

Families of members are invited and bring a gift for the tree.

George Steele and Miss Kathleen Hardin, Cleotta Wood and Anna Lee Bruton.

Greetings

The candle's bright gleam casts a shadow of beauty over all the house . . . the spirit of Christmas is one of brightness and cheer . . .

We too want to share that spirit with you on this joyous holiday by extending you our sincerest wishes for a

Merry Christmas to All

Dan Davis Bugs Woolsey
COSDEN DEALERS

A Christmas Greeting

AT THIS TIME, most wonderful season of all the year, we want to extend to each and every one our very best greetings; an abundance of health, happiness and prosperity.

We wish you Christmas joy as unremitting as the good will that has marked our mutual respect through these many years.

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THE BELLS OF CHRISTMAS ring out, filling the air with their sweet, melodious tones . . . filling men's hearts with overwhelming joy. Voices are lifted up in happy unison. Bells and people join in chorus — pealing out — singing out the merriest greetings of the Christmas season. Familiar music to all ears — music that proclaims "unto us a Savior has been born" — music that inspires happiness . . . music that carries from one to the other the very best of wishes — good health, good cheer, good fortune and above all — a message for a most wonderful Christmas.

BANNER CREAMERY

Santa Claus Letters

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy five years old and have been pretty good this year.
I would like to have an electric train and a toy telephone for Christmas. Also please bring me lots of fruit, nuts, and candy and be very good to all the other little kids, too.
Santa's Friend,
Charles Daniel Ball

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 5 years old, I am visiting my grandparents in Brownfield. Please bring me an electric train and house shoes.
Thank you,
Johnny Griggs

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a piano, a table and chairs, a curly haired doll that says "Mama," dishes and a house with furniture. Please bring little Olan Hugh a little wagon, tractor, car, ball and a chair. Bring us some fruit, nuts and candy.
We love you very much,
Lilith Kay & Olan Hugh Smith

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy 3 years old. I have been a good little boy, so please bring me a big black board, a cattle truck with dual wheels, and a tandem triler, knife and lots of fruit and nuts.
Please don't forget all the other little boys and girls,
I love you,
Jerry Ray Jones

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Williams, sr., of Cisco will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Williams, jr., for the Christmas holidays.

Brownfield News Goes Eight Columns

We note that our fellow publisher, Mike Barrett of the Brownfield News has enlarged his paper from a six to an eight column newspaper, which is an advantage in several ways.
Another improvement is to reduce the width of his columns from 13 to 12 ems, which is now standard in the United States among all papers, as all cut makers now follow the 12 em standard.
The Herald congratulates Mr. Barrett and his personnel on the improved looks of the News.

Stanolind Installs Short Wave Station

The district offices of the Stanolind Oil Corp., with general offices over the Brownfield State Bank, have installed a sky piercing antenna over their offices, with instruments inside the offices capable of sending messages to field men in any part of this district.
We have not been informed just what the main idea is, but we presume that its main object is to keep in touch with field managers for any instructions of changed plans or new plans that might come up from day to day.

SANTA FE CARLOADINGS

Santa Fe System carloadings for week ending Dec. 7, 1946, were 30,231 compared with 25,420 for same week in 1945. Cars received from connections totaled 10,871 compared with 9,540 for same week in 1945. Total cars moved were 41,102 compared with 34,960 for same week in 1945. Santa Fe handled a total of 37,789 cars in preceding week of this year.



LAURETTE was dining alone in her apartment, while outside the tempo of a New Year's Eve celebration grew in intensity.

It was quiet, sitting there by candlelight, a beautiful moment to reflect back over the 12 months just ending—except that tonight was so crucial! Tonight the vigil would end, the problem would resolve itself. But which way?

It was a strange thing they had done. Just a year ago tonight, while all New York was going mad welcoming the New Year with raucous gaiety, they had been sitting in this very room—yes, Harry over there in the big arm chair and she, Laurette, in the very chair she occupied at this moment. "Laurette," he used to call her; not "Laurette," the name everyone else used, but "Laurie," the convenient abbreviation he had invented.

"I'm a failure, Laurie," he had said. "Five years on the same job with nothing to show save a thinning head of hair and an almost empty bank account."

Laurette remembered how she had tried to comfort him, and then the bombshell:

"No, honey," he had said flatly. "It's no use. We can't be married, for I'd merely be fastening a millstone around your neck. I'm leaving—leaving you right now!"

She had cried, protested, and then he had agreed to make a game of it. His parting words, still vivid, were:

"If you'll wait a year, Laurie, dear—a year from tonight. If I've succeeded, if I've made something of myself by then, I'll be back. A year from tonight. If not, well, probably you'll never see me again."

She still remembered the firm set of his shoulders as he walked out the door that night, bound he knew not where.

She remembered the questions their friends had asked. Where was Harry? Away on a long trip she had replied, at first. Then she had ceased to offer excuses, and of course the friends stopped asking questions.

Only once had there been word of him, and then only very indefinite news.

"I saw him getting into a cab on Market street," Bill Collins had told her upon returning from a trip to San Francisco. "At least I think it was Harry. Saw him only an instant, though, and I couldn't be sure!"



Midnite came, and the noise reached a mighty crescendo.

So tonight she was waiting. Only God and she and Harry knew how important was this New Year's Eve. Bill Collins had asked her out for the evening but she said, no, she wasn't feeling well and would stay home. Then he asked if he might drop around to her apartment and she begged off. Bill had given her a puzzled look, but only God and she and Harry knew.

Laurette washed the dinner dishes, brushed her hair and straightened up the living room, because Harry used to enjoy sitting in front of the hearth with his pipe.

At eleven o'clock there was a knock at the door, and Laurette's heart jumped. But it was only the lady next door, pausing long enough to extend the inevitable "Happy New Year!"

"What's happy about it?" Laurette wanted to ask her.

She picked up a book and tried to read, but it was no use. Midnight came, and outside the noise reached a mighty crescendo. At that moment Laurette suddenly realized that Harry had failed her; New Year's Eve was over, and he hadn't kept the rendezvous!

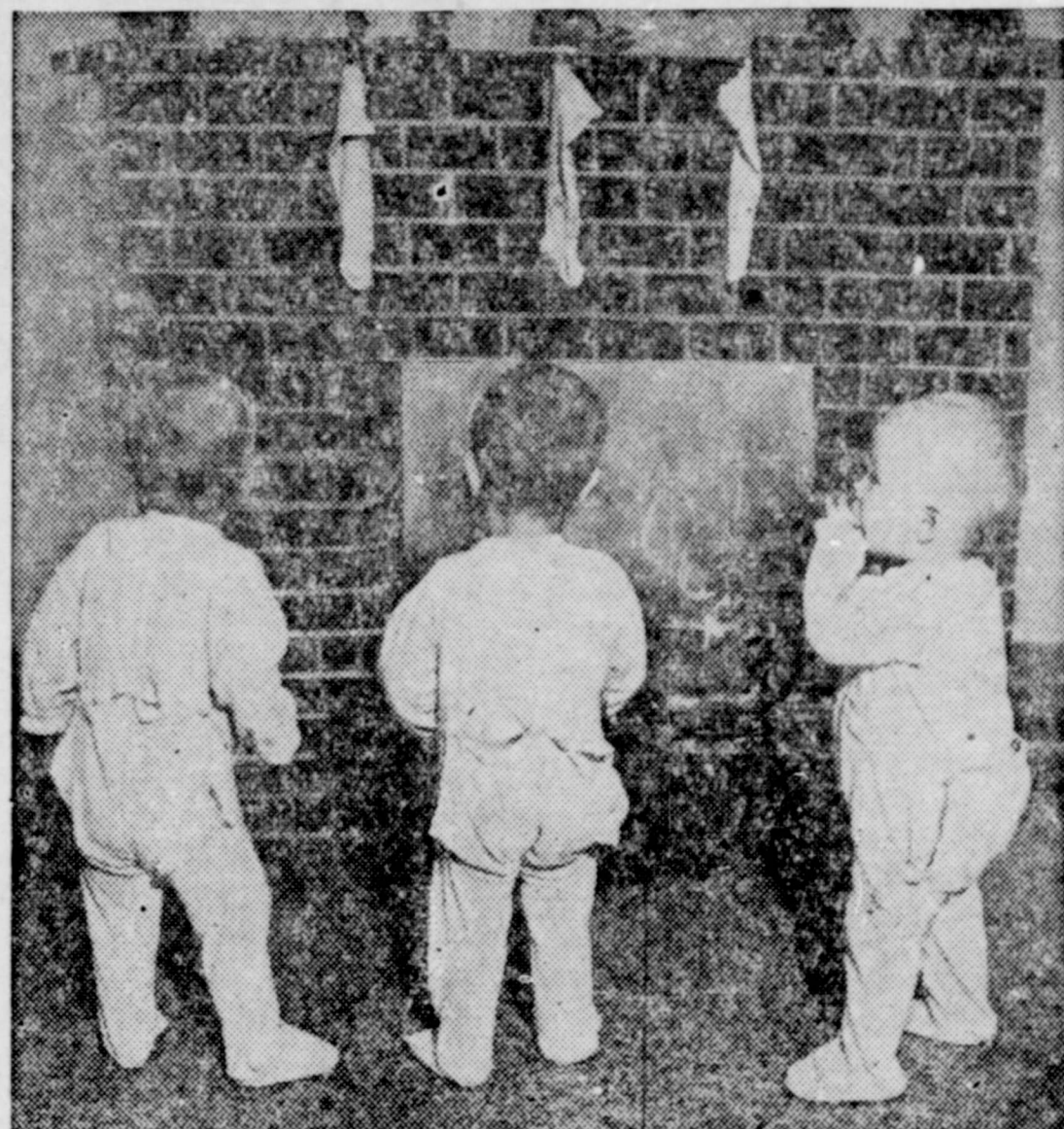
Then the telephone jangled and Laurette leaped to answer.

"San Francisco calling Miss Windsor," said the operator. Then a long silence, while Laurette held her breath. Hadn't Bill thought he'd seen Harry in San Francisco? Finally the operator came back: "I'm sorry, Miss Windsor, but our lines have apparently gone out somewhere. I'll have to call you back."

Then Laurette had an idea. "Operator," she asked, "was that call addressed just to Miss Windsor? Wasn't there a first name?"

"Why, I guess so," came the reply. "Yes, here it is—to Miss Laurie, L-a-u-r-i-e Windsor. That's you, isn't it?"

"I'll say it is!" Laurette shouted gleefully. "But only one person in the world ever called me that!"



WAITING FOR SANTA . . . They know that Santa will soon be around and are taking a last look before going to bed to see that everything is in order for him.

Mrs. M. G. Tarpley and Mrs. O. L. Peterman attended the reception honoring Dr. A. B. Cunningham in Lubbock Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Roane, of Amarillo were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Logan Redford.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Earl Smith of Levelland, visited Mr. and Mrs. H. L. King Sunday.

Mrs. J. J. Dearman, of Seminole spent Friday visiting Mrs. H. L. King. Mr. and Mrs. King took her home that evening.

JESTER TO TAKE OFFICE IN TECH SUIT

LUBBOCK, Dec. 20. — When Governor-Elect Beauford Jester is inaugurated next month he will be wearing what is probably the most exclusive suit in the state of Texas.

Because the dark brown woolen and mohair fabric from which the suit is fashioned was woven

and finished especially for him by faculty and students of the textile engineering department of Texas Technological College. Tech with the only textile engineering school west of the Mississippi river, has designed and woven material for inaugural suits of two previous governors.

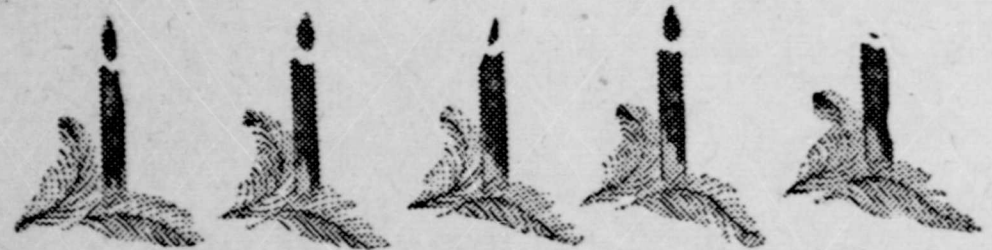
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Christmas greetings

Our holiday wishes go forth to greet you! Merry Christmas, everyone, Merry Christmas! May the new season glow with an abundance of all good things!

MURPHY GROCERY

THE Season's Greetings
NELSON JEWELRY



LAST MINUTE

Christmas Gift SUGGESTIONS

WATCHES - Ladies, Mens
RINGS - Diamond, Birthstones and Emblematic.

- PEARLS
- TABLE LAMPS
- RADIOS
- PHONO-RECORD PLAYER
- PURSES
- CHINA
- POTTERY
- PEN SETS
- PEN AND PENCIL SETS

WE GIFT WRAP YOUR PURCHASES

NELSON JEWELRY

Christmas Cheer comes but once a year!

For both young and old there are untold joys at Christmastime. To all we wish complete fulfillment.



AKERS APPLIANCE CO.

GI Question And Answer Department

Q. How many offices does the Veterans Administration have and where are they located

A. The Veterans Administration has a central office in Washington, D. C., and 13 branch offices located in strategic centers of population. In addition, it has one or more regional office field stations or sub-regional offices in each state. Some of these are larger and have wider activities than others but all are charged with the duty of assisting veterans and their dependents.

Q. Are persons who assist in the presentation of pension or compensation claims to Veterans Administration permitted to charge for their services?

A. It is unlawful for any person, whether he be an attorney or agent admitted to practice before the Veterans Administration or not to charge or collect any

fee for services in respect to a claim. However, the law provides that the Administrator of Veterans Affairs may by regulation authorize payment of fees in an allowed case to an admitted attorney or agent who has filed a valid power of attorney in that case. Such fees are deducted from the monetary benefits allowed.

Q. What identification data should I give in writing about my claim for benefits administered by the Veterans Administration?

A. If you are making application you should give your full name, grade, date of discharge, and date and place of birth. After the claim is filed it will be assigned a claim number which should be mentioned in all subsequent communications.

Q. Does the name "United States Government Life (converted) Insurance" include "National Service Life Insurance"?

A. No. "United States Government Life Insurance" is insurance issued to World War I veterans or to persons who applied

for same while in active service before October 8, 1940. "National Service Life Insurance" is insurance provided for World War II veterans. Each is sometimes referred to as "Government Insurance" and each is administered by Veterans Administration under authority granted by Acts of Congress.

Veterans News

Transfer of the U. S. Naval hospital at New Orleans to the Veterans Administration for temporary use has been approved by President Truman and the Federal Board of Hospitalization.

The Naval hospital, which has a 600-bed capacity, will be opened to veterans as quickly as a suitable staff can be assembled, Dr. Lee D. Cady, VA's Medical Director for Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi said.

In addition to the temporary facilities at New Orleans, VA's medical service now has 7,260 beds available for veterans in hospitals in the tri-state area administered by the VA Dallas Branch Office.

A total of 144 American veterans were studying in educational institutions of 16 foreign countries under the GI Bill on October 1, the Veterans Administration disclosed.

Two hundred and twenty-three others also had attended foreign schools up to the same date, but 143 had concluded short summer courses, chiefly in Mexico and Canada, and the remaining 80 had discontinued their studies for a variety of reasons.

Of the grand total of 367 who had enrolled in foreign schools under the GI Bill up to October 1, 164 had attended schools in Mexico and 111 in Canada.

About 40 per cent of all veterans studying abroad were enrolled in English-speaking countries.

The average age of veterans studying outside the United States was 28.5 years, compared with the average age of 26 for students at entrance into U. S. Schools.

Liberal arts was the most popular course; Latin-American courses were second, and medicine ranked third.

The Veterans Administration had certified more than 10,000 disabled veterans of World War II for vehicles by October 31 in the Automobiles for disabled veterans program.

CHRISTMAS CANDLES



Candles shaped like pine trees can be made to include the smell of pine in the candle wax.



Snowball candles are left to give frosted effect.



Lilies or other flowers may be molded while the wax is still warm.



In making a cottage candle the windows, doors and shrubbery are painted in by hand.

Big oversized jumbo candles may be made of various colors, of sizes to fit some particular nook in the house.

Mrs. Ed Mayfield and children and Mrs. Mike Blair and daughter visited Mrs. Blair's sister, Mrs. Shanks Lyles in Odessa Sunday.

Mrs. Donnie Gordan, of Guyton, Okla. will visit her daughter, Mrs. Frank Donaghe and Mr. Donaghe for the Christmas holidays.

Capt. and Mrs. Eugene Ellis and son, of Longbeach, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. D. B. MacAllister, of Lyford will spend the holidays here with Mr. and Mrs. Pat Harkins.

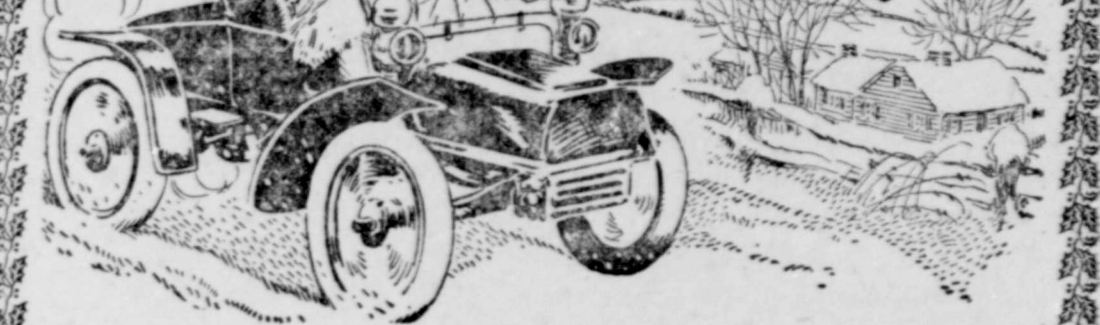
Mr. and Mrs. Neil Morris and baby daughter, of Glendale Calif. came in Sunday to spend the holidays with Mrs. Norris' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Lewis.

Herb Singletary was in to renew recently and stated the rains would be fine on his wheat, about 5 miles northwest of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Cotton and children, of Lamesa and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dunton of Littlefield were guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Walker Wednesday evening of last week.

TRY A HERALD WANT AD

Old Fashioned Yuletide Greetings



It isn't always stylish to be old fashioned, but there are times when it's very genuine—and Christmas is one of them. Yes, folks, we wish you an old fashioned Christmas this year . . . the best one of them all!

PRICE IMPLEMENT CO.



MAKE GOOD CHEER FOR

Christmas

One need not be told it is Christmastime. The glowing faces of friend and stranger alike bespeak it. It gives us the same thrill as of old to wish all our friends, and those who are still to become our friends, a very Merry Christmas.

TERRY CO. LBR. CO.



It is good to know that Christmas is here again . . . good to celebrate it, as in the past, with so many fine people with whom we are happy to be associated in this community, and to whom we now send

Our Most Hearty CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Wade Drug

PHONE 314-R



A Bright, Merry Christmas

Brilliant and bright is the star you fasten atop your Christmas tree! And to that star is hitched our wagon full of friendly wishes for a jolly holiday and many other days rich in good things, good friends and good times.

KYLE GROCERY

Christmas Not Time For Excesses

AUSTIN. — "Despite the fact that America has her share of post war troubles, this Nation as a whole should not forget the true Christmas spirit of Happiness and Good Will, but we can do that much better if we are well and strong," asserts Doctor Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

Many people are prone to throw caution to the wind and violate every principle of healthful living during the Christmas season. As a result, their health is jeopardized and sometimes damage is done, he said.

Doctor Cox pointed out the danger of using lighted candles on Christmas trees or in windows, as a possible source of disastrous fires. Excess eating, crowded home conditions, lack of exercise, and over-heated rooms often endanger health during the holiday season, according to Doctor Cox, and he warned parents against too much excitement and too late hours for small children.

"Intemperance during Christmas week, whether in food or holiday activities is not excusable from the standpoint of good health practice," he asserted, "and the maximum of pleasure will be gained by those individuals who practice precaution along these lines."

Emphasizing the fact that it is the duty of every individual to conserve his health as well as that of his neighbor, Doctor Cox said that from a standpoint of good citizenship alone every Texan should cooperate in promoting good health at Christmas time as he would at any other season of the year.

Miss Margaret Bell, of Lubbock will spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bell. She will leave Thursday to visit her sister, Mrs. R. H. Quinn in Robstown.

Miss Margaret Travis, of Memphis, Tenn. and Mrs. Charles Roberts and daughter, of Andrews were weekend guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Travis.

Refrigerators Need Tender Care

With a plentiful supply of new refrigerators still six months to a year in the future, it's up to homemakers to treat the old box with tender care until new ones start coming off assembly lines in large quantities.

Mrs. Bernice Claytor, home management specialist of the Texas A and M College Extension Service, points out tips to follow in keeping the refrigerator in good shape: keep it cool, clean, defrosted, repaired, and checked regularly.

The refrigerator should be in the coolest convenient spot in the kitchen, Mrs. Claytor says—out of the sun, away from the radiators and kitchen stove. Air must circulate between the wall and the box to carry away heat generated by the unit, so there should be at least two and a half inches of space between the box and the wall, she explains.

All spilled food should be wiped up at once, and the refrigerator cleaned thoroughly each time it is defrosted. In cleaning the inside, one level tablespoon of baking soda mixed with a quart of water makes a good cleaning fluid. Defrosting should not be put off until the frost becomes thick on the evaporator; it should be done when the frost is a quarter of an inch thick. The condenser must be kept free from dust and lint, and may need cleaning every month in some refrigerators.

In repairing the refrigerator, changing a fuse is about the only repair job the home-maker should attempt. Only an authorized service company should be allowed to make further repairs, says Mrs. Claytor. Housewives shouldn't forget that these rules of refrigerator care apply just as much to new refrigerators, when they get one, as to the old box.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hill and son Wade, will leave Monday for Fredericksburg to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Kuykendall.

—Try A Herald Want Ad—

Keller Greenfield, student at Baylor University, Waco, will arrive Saturday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Greenfield.

Lois Jean Cross, of Post spent the weekend as a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Grady Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Cotton Neely and daughter, Jan, are leaving today for Sayre, Okla. to spend the holidays with Mr. Neely's parents.

Miss Marion Wingerd, student at Stevens College, Columbus, Mo. arrived Thursday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wingerd.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harris and son, Tommie are leaving Christmas Eve to spend the holiday in Altus, Okla. with their parents.

Mrs. A. Kromer, of Mangum, Okla. will spend the holiday season here with her daughters, Mrs. Coy Maroney, Mrs. W. W. Marshbanks and Miss June Kromer.

Mr. James King was in Durant, Okla. the latter part of last week on business. This week he and Mrs. King will be in Cisco, Tyler, Ft. Worth and Dallas on business.

Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Walker visited Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Stowels in Littlefield Sunday.

Pfc. Jerry McKeown, of Camp Eustis, Va. will be here to spend the holidays with his wife, Oline and his mother, Mrs. John Black.

Mrs. John Taylor and daughter, Oleta Joyce, of Odessa spent the first of the week here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Harkins.

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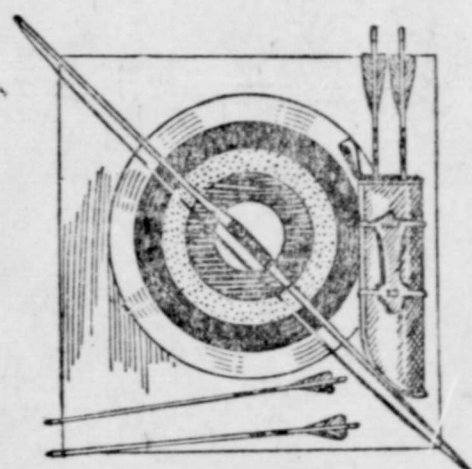
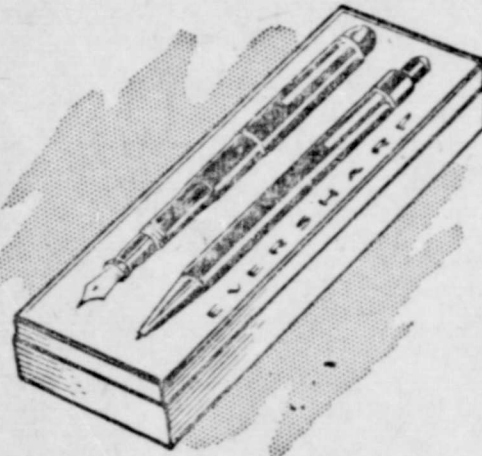
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Gift to be Long Treasured... **EVERSHARP... FINE PEN AND PENCIL SETS**

There's pride in the giving of a gift so fine as Eversharp and joy in the receiving! Choose your gift at Walgreen's—now!

Handsomely boxed... **5.95 to \$15**



Santa Knows What a Boy Likes! **AN ARCHERY SET FOR YOUNG ROBIN HOODS**

There's a lemonwood bow, 3 arrows, quiver, bowsight, armguard, target face! For 7 to 10-year-olds.

\$2.79 — \$4.49 — \$9.95



CHAMBLY COLOGNE

Shopping for an attractive fragrance? Ask for Chambly! **1.25**

LENTHERIC MEN'S SET

Shaving set of Lotion, Talcum: gift-boxed **2.25**



CARNATION COLOGNE

SEAFORTH for MEN Stoneware shaving mug with jug of shaving lotion... crisp heather scent **\$2 to \$7**

Spicy, fresh, so delightful—it's by Leon Laraine —for her! **\$1**

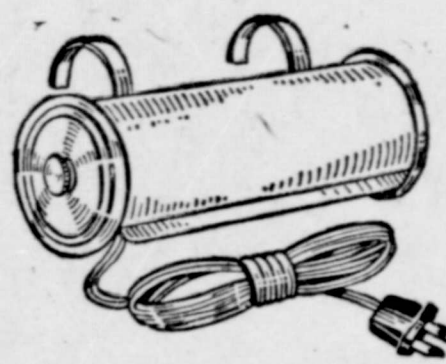
CIGARETTES

Give a Carton!



- Philip Morris • Raleighs
- Old Golds • Marlboros
- Kools • Camels
- Chesterfields • Luckies

\$1.75



BED LAMP... THE THOUGHTFUL GIFT

Takes only seconds to fasten onto the bedstead... in ivory or bronze metal. **3.49 & 4.49**

STATIONERY!



FLEETWOOD... THE MAN'S STATIONERY

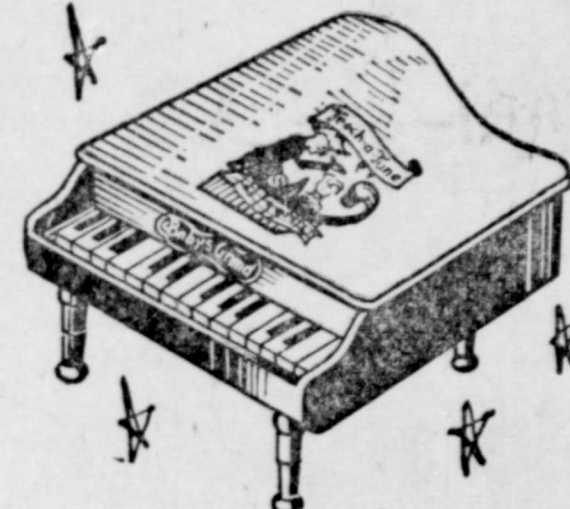
125 club-style sheets and 75 envelopes in the woven laid finish he favors... **\$2**

EPSOM SALT 6c
POUND PACKAGE (Limit 2).....

125 SIMILAC 76c
BABY FOOD (Limit 1).....

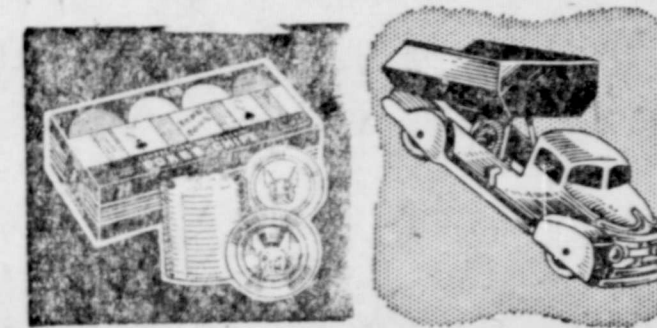
CITRATE 11c
OF MAGNESIA (Limit 1).....

TOYS make the Merriest Gifts!



A Young 'turbid' in the House? **"BABY" GRAND PIANO THAT REALLY PLAYS!**

Scales are lettered right on the 15 well-tuned keys so song-sheet is easy to follow! 13x17 inch size... **3.98**



A POKER FAN'S GIFT

100 poker chips —tough plastic Po-Do... **98c**

NEW METAL DUMP TRUCK

Turn a crank and up goes the back! It's all metal—sturdy! **\$5.50**

Little Tot's

GOLF SETS

\$1.59

TOY DRUMS

\$1.49



PAISLAYS Shave Bowl

A plastic bowl of rich-lathering soap... **59c**

50c Bottle **PHILLIPS' MILK OF MAGNESIA 29c**

49c Keller **ANALGESIC BALM 29c**

50c Tube **MENNEN SHAVING CREAM 39c**

100 Walgreen **ASPIRIN TABLETS 29c**

\$1.25 TONIC PERUNA 89c

PURCHASES GIFT WRAPPED FREE

FOR MEN ON YOUR LIST



GIVE GILLETTE!

"Milord" set of one-piece Razor and 25 Blue Blades. Excellent gift... **2.37**



GIVE A GOOD PIPE

Like these good-looking styles of imported briar. Wide variety... **1.50 to \$5**



TOBACCO POUCHES

A swell gift for the pipe-smoker. From... **1.00 to 5.00**



Men's Club Hair Brush

Finer Ora-Ton bristles set in lucite... **7.95**



CARNATION

Leon Laraine's flower-fresh Cologne... **\$1**

THREE YULE 'FIRSTS'



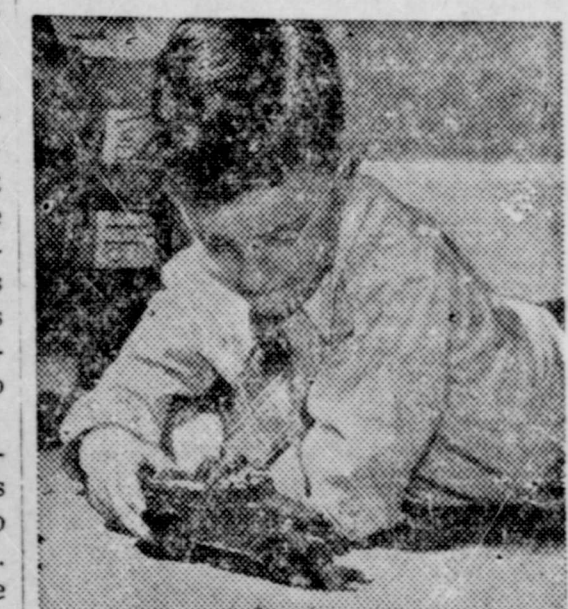
Claims to being "firsts" among Christmas cards are held by these early designs.

"Which came first?" and "who thought of it first?" are the two questions asked since time immemorial. These questions have baffled historians, challenged detectives, caused law students to burn the midnight oil — but most of all—have intrigued the public. For the last few years there's been a big to-do about the "first" Christmas card and the subject has fascinated many greeting card collectors, art dealers, museum curators and a sizable portion of the American and British public.

The earliest Christmas card on record, in the light of recent findings, appears to be that of W. M. Egley, dated 1842. Discovered in a mass of skating prints by the British museum, it is indisputably a Christmas card and seems to have been produced for general use. It resembles the early New Year's cards of German origin with its various scenes enclosed in a half-gothic, half-rustic trelliswork and it depicts the Christmas pantomime "Harlequin and Columbine," a puppet booth, skaters and other scenes relating to the holiday season. Its sentiment reads "A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year to You."

Until the Egley card was discovered, the first known Christmas card was, for years, thought to have been the one designed by J. C. Horsley RA for Sir Henry Cole in London in 1846 who wanted a card to send to his friends at Christmas. Horsley's card was lithographed by Jobbins of Warwick about and a thousand copies struck off. These were colored by hand and featured among other scenes a merry family group holding filled wine glasses aloft.

An eminent American authority on greeting cards and a relentless collector of early creations, E. D. Chase of Boston claims that he has found what he believes to be the "first" Christmas card—but until some scientific corroboration is forthcoming we must consider his discovery a "dark horse" in the running. That it is a very "early" card — there can be no question. Our collector traced R. H. Pease, the lithographer whose name appears at the bottom of the card, down to the year 1839 where the latter was listed in the Albany, N. Y., directory as an engraver. The thing, however, that stumps the experts is the fact that there is no date on the card itself.



SYNCHRONIZE YOUR WATCHES

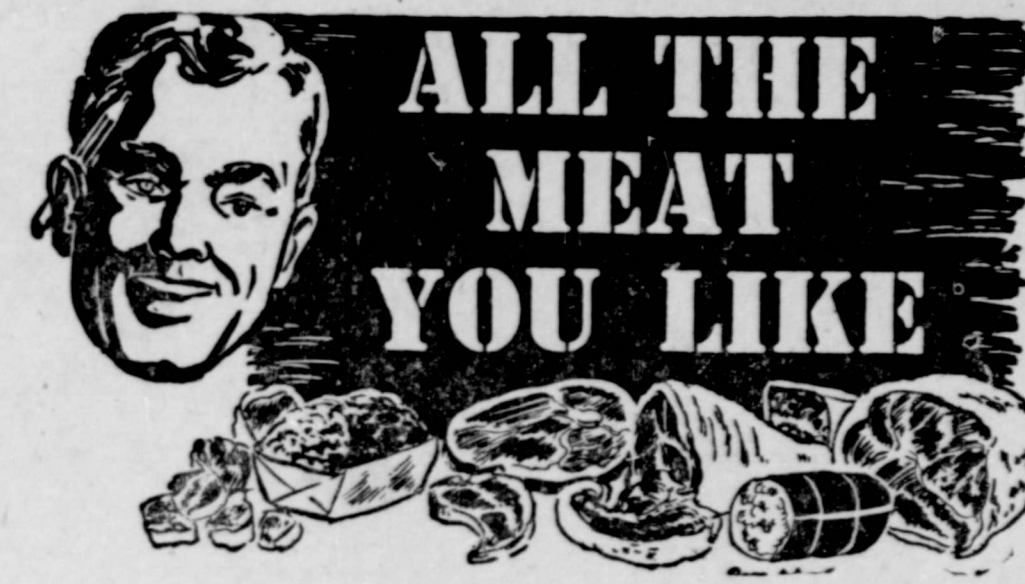
... It's zero hour as children everywhere get their Christmas secret cars and tanks for an all-out assault. It is the first time for several years that rubber tires have been included with toys of these types.

20% Federal Excise Tax on Toiletries, Luggage and Billboards

60c Size BROMO SELTZER 49c

50c Size HALO SHAMPOO 47c

Christmas Seal: **YOUR PROTECTION Against Tuberculosis**



KARO	Blue Label Half Gallon Can	47c
VEL	large box	35c
Super Suds	Large Box	35c
Peaches	HUNTS Quality No. 2 1/2	29c
Fruit Cocktail	HUNTS Quality No. 2 1/2	35c
Spry Shortening	3 lb. can	\$1 39
Cocoanut	long shred sweet, 1/2 lb.	45c
Heinz Catsup	LARGE	27c
Mince Meat	Marvin pkg.	17c
CANDY	Brown's Sunshine Assorted Chocolates, Pound Box	65c

BACON, Store Sliced	69c
T-BONE STEAKS	58c
SMOKED Pork Sausage	41c
ROAST-Chuck	39c
PORK CHOPS, center cuts,	57c
STEAK-7-cuts or chuck	39c
PURE PORK SAUSAGE	49c
HAMS, WILSON CERTIFIED	69c
LINK SAUSAGE, PORK	61c
COTTAGE CHEESE AND DRESSED HENS	
SARDINES Eatwell Tall	19c
SALMON, Pacific Pearl, 7 oz. can	45c
COVE OYSTERS, can	59c
LOUISIANA SHRIMP can	69c
MIRACLE WHIP Krafts, 1-2 pint	25c
GINGER ALE Canada Dry, qt.	15c
ROSEDALE PEAS No. 2	17c
ROSEDALE GREEN BEANS no. 2	18c
LIBBY'S PUMPKIN No. 2 1/2	23c
SWEET POTATOES No. 2 1/2	22c
KRAUT quart jar	10c
GRAPEFRUIT JUICE 47 oz.	28c
PALMOLIVE SOAP large	17c
SCOT TOWELS roll	12c
NAPKINS large package	39c
WAX PAPER roll	18c



Apples	Fancy Wash. Delicious, lb.	15c
SWEET POTATOES	kiln dried, lb.	10c
CARROTS	large bunch	9c
LETTUCE-Iceberg,	lb.	13c
CELERY-bleached or green,	lb.	12c
PEPPERS bell pound		19c
TEXAS ORANGES-lb.		9c
POTATOES, No. 1 Russets,	lb.	5c

ROSEDALE PEARS No. 2 1/2	43c
PICKLES, Sour pint	15c
MARSHMALLOWS, pkg.	20c
NIBLETS, Corn can	17c
RICE, Comet, long grain ,2 lbs.	32c
HONEY BUTTER, Sioux Bee, pkg.	59c

DRIED FRUITS	
True Sweet Raisins 1 lb.	27c
Sunsweet Prunes lb.	27c
Clara-Val Peaches, 11 oz.	27c
Clara-Val Mixed Fruits, 11 oz.	39c
Clara-Val Apples 10 oz.	29c
Sunsweet Prunes 2 lb.	54c

Lard and Shortening		PRESERVES	
Pound Pure Lard	33c	MA BROWN	
2 Pound Pure Lard	66c	Pound peach	37c
4 pound Jewel	1.65	Pound grape	33c
3 pound Vegetole	1.23	pound apricot	37c
1 pound Scoco	42c	pound cherry	47c
		pound boysenberry	53c
		pound raspberry	67c
		pound apple jelly	25c

WHERE FRIEND
MEETS FRIEND

Fresh Cocoanuts - Walnuts - Almonds
Large Soft Pecans - Cranberries - Peppers
Tomatoes - Cabbage - Squash - Beans
Cucumbers - Cauliflower



THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH INVITES YOU TO

Wreath on Christmas

THE NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH IN BROWNFIELD

BALLARD AND HILL STREET

3-BEAUTIFUL SERVICES-3

SUNDAY MORNING:

BIBLE SCHOOL AND WORSHIP

Dr. McCord's Sermon: "CHRISTMAS and WISE MEN"

Everybody Needs A Church Home - - - - - Make This Yours During Christmas And The New Year

SUNDAY 7:30 P. M.

XMAS CAROLS AND CANDLELIGHTS

MONDAY 7:30 P. M.

XMAS PARTY AND PROGRAM

Notice Kiddies: A Treat and a Toy to every Girl and Boy who comes with Parents to our Community Xmas Party

WANT ADS

WANTED

WANTED: tow sacks, can use sacks with holes if sacks are stout. Brownfield Nursery tfc

WANTED: Man for Rawleigh business. Permanent if you are a hustler. For particulars write Rawleigh's Dept. TXL-87-103, Memphis, Tenn. 1tp

MEN WANTED interested in colonizing free Ranches and Homesteads, favorable climate, fertile soil. Two days travel Texas. Financial aid if desired. For further information write. J. E. Stanley Liberty Texas. 22p

WHEAT grazing for about 25 head cattle. L. H. Key, 12 miles west and 3 south Brownfield, Rt. 7 23p

LOST, 2 coats, one green wool dress, other tan corduroy mackinaw, at east ward school; size 14. Return to Roy Rinn, 522 N. 5th, city.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST gents Hensie watch. If returned to Herald office you receive a reward. 1p

REAL ESTATE, RENTALS

FOR SALE 3 room house, 16x42, to be moved. See B. R. Lay 4 1-2 miles southwest city. 21p

FARM HOMES

Several farm homes you can buy and possess at once, from 160 acres to 960. Good quarter on REA with a well a veteran can buy for a home, right.

1280 acre ranch all suited to cultivation and irrigation, near Elida, N. M. This is level short grass land with 200 acres in wheat and new improvement and can be had at \$30 per acre.

Several farms of varying sizes in Hockley County.

You must be alert to get bargains as they do not wait for you.

D. P. CARTER
Brownfield, Hotel

20 tfc

FOR SALE: 440 acres good cat-claw land, all in cultivation, good improvements, 8 miles west of Plains. Priced right, 10 years to pay at 6%. Also a section of grass joins. Not listed. D. E. Harris, owner, 2nd house E. Rainbow Camp. 15tfc

FOR SALE

FOR SALE, good gas stove; butane or natural. Set now for natural. Wellman school, Wellman, Texas. 21c

FOR SALE Farmall H. 45 tractor in A-1 shape. G. L. Sullivan, 18 miles south of Brownfield. 22p

FOR SALE: 8-foot electric refrigerator. Good condition. See Mrs. H. V. Coates, Seagraves, Block north Ford Motor Co. 16tfc

TURKEYS

Now booking orders for Christmas holidays. Live or dressed. C. J. McLeroy, 4 mi. west, 1 south Brownfield. 21p

FOR SALE: Good planting cotton seed. See D. V. Travis, at Cicero Smith Lumber Yard, city. 16tfc

FOR SALE Six room modern house. Must be sold by Jan. 1st. Immediate possession. 418 N. A. St. Wesley Hinkle. 2 tc

PLAINS NEWS

Plains Chapter No. 862, Order of the Eastern Star met in regular session Monday night Dec. 16, with 24 members and 1 visitor present. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Inez and Grace Rushing.

Mr. and Mrs. John Camp and son and J. H. Morris spent Saturday night and Sunday in Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Elliott and Patty Light spent the week end in Sylvester.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Story spent the week end in Guthrie.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe McLaren was in Lubbock Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Bowers were visiting in Bledsoe and Morton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Powell were shopping in Lubbock Saturday.

Mrs. Sallie Forrest, Mrs. J. H. Morris and Mrs. Mary Lackey were shopping in Brownfield Friday.

Christene Coke was on the sick list last week but she is able to be out again this week.

DOROTHY BUTCHER AND WALTER PADEN, JR. REPEAT MARRIAGE VOWS

Miss Dorothy Butcher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Butcher of Route 3 and Mr. Walter Paden, Jr. son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Paden Sr. of route 5, were married here at the home of Brother Stanley, Saturday night.

The bride wore a blue dress with a corsage of white carnations and black accessories. The maid of honor was Mary Kennedy and Jimmie Paden served as best man.

The couple are at home on North 5th Street.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Latham and children will spend the holiday in Bowie with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Turner and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smith are leaving Saturday to spend the holiday season with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth L. Turner in Westpoint, Ga. They will also visit relatives in Lavett, Alabama.

NOTICE

We are rapidly getting our Nursery stock in from the field and we will be ready for Landscape planting about the 20th. Our large stock of Rose bushes, Pyracantha, Evergreens, Shade trees, Shrubs and many other items are sufficiently matured for planting out. Tulip and Hyacinth bulbs should be planted now.

Brownfield Nursery

THE W. B. Toone place for sale, see W. A. Bell 302 East Broadway 21tfc

HARD OF HEARING? Before you buy a hearing aid, be sure and try a Beltone. More Beltones sold than all other one-piece instruments combined. Fresh batteries for most hearing aids at reduced price. Rock Camp, west end of 19th St., Dial 2-9318, Lubbock. 21p

GIVE leading magazines to your friends for Christmas. They will bring enjoyment the whole year through. For subscriptions, see or call Mrs. John L. Butler, 203 East Tate., phone 322-W. 20tfc

JOHN DEERE 1942 Model B tractor. Two-row, new tires A-1 condition. See John Orman, 5 miles west Levelland on Sundown road. 21p

FOR SALE: 3 used 650x15 tires and tubes; all in A-1 condition. Inquire Newsom-Burnett Gulf Station. 19tfc



best wishes for a
Merry Christmas



For every berry on your holly wreath . . . for every sweet note in the hymn you sing . . . for every bright light on your Christmas tree, there is a wish from us that your holiday be happy and crowded with merriment. And that wish comes from every person in this organization who has had the pleasure of serving you during the past year.

Brownfield State Bank

Not Neutral—Not On The Fence—A Paper With An Opinion And A Purpose

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NUMBER 21

Dear Santa Claus, I am a little girl 6 years old and Mama says that I am a very good little girl. I won't ask for much this time but please bring me a doll bed. I have 3 old dolls. Would like to have some clothes for my dolls, also bring me some fruit, nuts and candy.

Dear Santa Claus, I want four things this Christmas. They are: Baton, a little doll or mannequin to sew for, a few books, and a fountain pen that looks like an everysharp. I think I have been a pretty good girl this year. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Dear Santa Claus, I am a little boy 5 years old. I try to be good, so please bring me a tricycle, truck and lots of fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget mother and daddy.

Dear Santa Nick, Please bring me a pair of roller skates, a flower girl doll. My sister that is four years old, a doll dressed in blue, a set of dishes, a toy telephone. My sister that is six years old a doll, a toy telephone and a set of dishes.

Dear Santa Claus, I am a little girl in the second grade. Please bring me a doll, a set of dishes, a ring and a toy telephone and a doctor set.

Dear Old Santa, I am trying to be good this year and obey my parents and teacher. I want a tricycle, a doll, a set of dishes and a puzzle. I have two little brothers, bring them something nice.

Dear Santa Claus, I want a B-B gun with some B-B's. My little brother wants a dump truck. If I can't have a B-B gun bring me a cap gun or some other kind of gun to play cowboy with.

Dear St. Nick, I want a doll with hair, a set of dishes, a coloring book and a real bell. Mary wants a doll with hair and a set of dishes and a ball. Jerry Wayne wants a little truck and anything else you have for him.

Dear Santa Claus, I've tried to be a good boy this year. Please bring me a B-B gun for Christmas. I would also like a little bicycle to fit me if it isn't asking too much.

Dear Santa Claus, I saw you Saturday and told you I wanted a wagon and a cap gun. I'm still trying to be good until Christmas. Bring my little sister a doll, set of dishes and a table. I want a truck, too.

Dear Santa Claus, I think I have been a pretty good little girl, so would you please bring me a new doll and a wagon. Remember all the other boys and girls.

Dear Santa, I am a little girl that tries to be good. Please bring my little brother a tricycle if you have one to fit him. Bring my little sisters three sets of dishes and three dolls and one rattle. Bring me a doll and a set of dishes. Thank you, Santa.

Dear Santa, I want a cap-gun and a dump truck. Bring my little brothers and little sister a doll, a rattle, and a dump truck. I love you.

Dear Santa, Thank you for the nice things you brought last year. Please bring my little brother a baby tricycle. Bring me a big tricycle, dishes and a doll. I would like a real bell if you have one for me.

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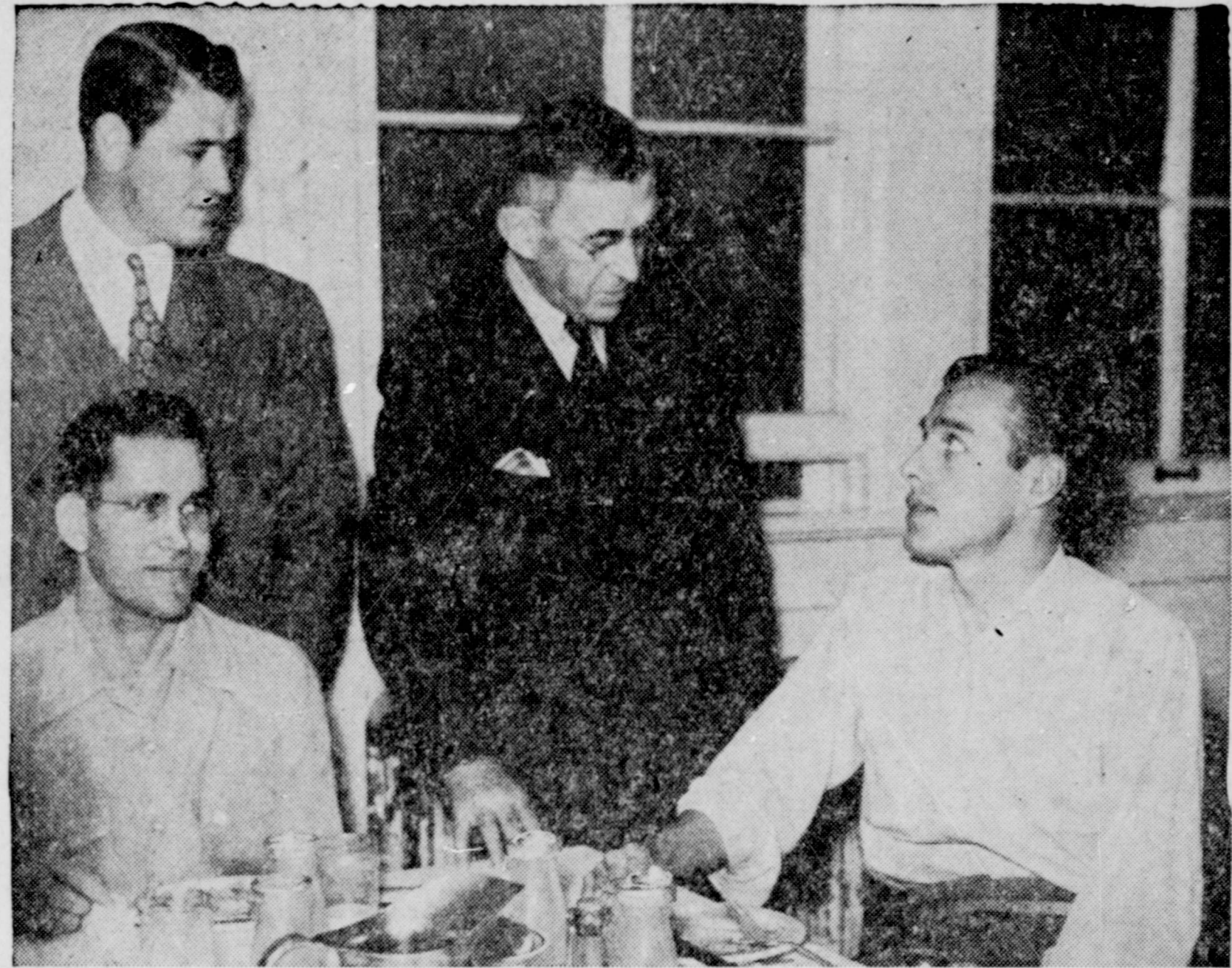
Water And Sewage System For Ropes

The City Council of Ropesville, at their meeting on Dec. 9, retained the Isbell Engineers of Brownfield, Jacksboro and San Angelo to prepare the working drawings and specifications for municipal water and sewage systems.

Ropesville was incorporated several years ago for the express purpose of securing municipal utilities but the war and the closing of federal agencies held up the work until now.

An investigation by the Engineers indicate that there are several bond houses interested in the purchase of the bond issues that will be necessary to finance this work.

An application has already been filed with the BCF for preliminary expenses for these projects, estimated at some \$125,000.00.



LEGION, TEXAS (Special)—General Walter Krueger (retired), of San Antonio, right standing, regional chairman for the Texas USO Campaign Committee, finds out personally the services USO is now giving hospitalized vets by visiting the Legion Veterans' Hospital near Kerrville. Jame. Voelcker left, who spent most of his 5 1/2 years' service in a Jap prison camp, said he enjoyed the USO ward shows in the Philippines and is now enjoying USO hospital entertainment. Tyre Lee Jennings USNR of Dallas, right, called the USO a fine organization and said the present weekly USO hospital parties mean a great deal to the veterans. With General Krueger is Dan Eddy, area director of the USO-Salvation Army, of San Antonio, left, standing.

The Jackson Family Gets Tired of Strikes

A newspaper came in this week air mail. As that was unusual, we hastened to open 'er up. It was the Oakland, (Calif.) Tribune, and the very first issue after the general strike there recently of all union men. While the Jackson's live at Richmond, to paraphrase the GOP ads before election, "they've had enough," and according to a written message on the newspaper, they'll be "headed for good old Brownfield as soon as they can sell their property there."

The paper showed many scenes of the strike, as well as many write ups. And it seemed the strikers would beat up a fellow and ask questions later. As a consequence, many union photographers, getting playup of the strike got beat up, and their cameras smashed. Even some of the union writers were bludgeoned and their typewriters smashed. The strikers didn't want any evidence against them.

Another scene showed two young ladies going along the street. They were being followed by a mob of strikers, some of which were negroes. They were suspected of being strea kbreakers. The girls finally broke into a run and reached police protection.

Jackson describes the people out there as being mostly either foreign born or first generation. Well turn the darn country back to the Indians, "Jack," and come home where real Americans live.

Approximately 2,000,000 people migrated to California during World War II.

The 1945 Wyoming moose kill of 130 represents the highest number taken in any year of which there is a record, with the exception of 1943, when 190 were taken.

Santa Claus By... Any Other Name

Santa Claus is inseparably associated with the spirit of gift-giving in America, but in other lands, various gift-bearers are just as eagerly awaited.

Commemorating the arrival of the Magi on Epiphany, the Wise Men leave presents for good boys and girls as they pass through Spain and other Catholic countries during their annual journey to Bethlehem.



Italian Befana and Russian Babouska are variously reported to have hesitated to follow the Wise Men, misdirected them, and refused shelter to the Holy Family: in their respective countries, these two ageless wanderers slip toys beneath the pillows of sleeping children—still looking for the Babe of Bethlehem whom they have never found.

Christkind, in keeping with the German idea of Christmas, is the messenger of the Infant Jesus who brings happiness to good children; Polish and Hungarian youngsters search the house for strands of angel hair—conclusive evidence that the Holy Angels are near to bestow gifts upon the worthy.

In France, the Yule Log is allowed to burn momentarily, extinguished and covered with a cloth. After the Log has failed to yield gifts, the children are sent to ask pardon for their omissions in private. Meanwhile, parents place the presents beneath the cloth to be discovered by the returning children.

Syrian legend sends the Gentle Camel of Jesus, laden with gifts, riding over the desert on Epiphany Eve—exhausted by the hastening Wise Men, he was blessed with immortality by the Christ Child.

The identity of the gift-bearer is immaterial; but it is vital that no child be disappointed; no trusting heart betrayed; lest the magic hour passes, leaving broken dreams and twisted emotions to wander across the wilderness of eternity.

Dear Old Santa, Thank you for what you have already left for me at Aunt Hope's. I want a cap with goggles and some nice warm gloves and anything else you think I deserve. Your dearest friend, Eddy Lanious, age 4

NOTICE ALL G. I.'S. If you want to learn to fly, the government will pay all the expense for you. All it costs you is your time—come to see us at Triangle Airport 1 mile south of Brownfield on Seagraves Highway. All new Piper Cubs, the type plane the government used for training. The world's most popular, safest plane built. HARRIS FLYING SERVICE

Merry Christmas. Christmas has a very special and personal meaning for each of us—but we all unite in singing mighty praises to Him for the good things that have come to us. In the jubilant mood of this Christmas season, we extend our fondest, cheeriest greeting to all our friends. JACK HAMILTON'S TIRE & ELECTRIC CO.

Christmas Wishes. The warm glow of candle-light at Christmastime is symbolic of our warm wishes—of our hope that this Yuletide be filled to overflowing with every joy and happiness for you and yours. LOYD'S SHOE SHOP

Wassail Bowl For Auld Lang Syne

The Wassail bowl goes around in Scotland—and elsewhere—at New Year's time.

The origin of the custom is really lost in antiquity: Saxon ancestors probably quaffed their ale from the polished skulls of defeated enemies, and the Rowena legend must be classified as "presumably fiction."

Rowena is reported to have offered her father's guest—Prince Vortigren—a bowl of wine with the salutation "Lord King, wass-hael," literally, "To Your Health." Draining the bowl with one draught, Vortigren fell in love with Rowena and they lived happily ever after.

Anyway, in time the bowl itself became an ornament of graceful design—decorated with branches of greenery which formed a canopy over the bowl. The mixture within was warm and included ale, sugar, spices, sweetened wine was added by hosts who could afford it, sometimes called "lamb's wool" or the "old man's beard." The poorer classes carried a bowl decorated with ribbons around the neighborhood, begging that it be filled, so they, too, might enjoy the Wassail.



STUFFED ANIMAL VARIETY
... Among the newcomers to the stuffed animal collection of toys is the fawn which is gaining in popularity with most of restrictions on its manufacture removed.

Union News (Delayed)

Rev. Welch filled his regular appointment at the church Sunday and Sunday night. He visited several homes in the community during the afternoon.

The Queen race is creating quite a bit of interest this week. The finals will be announced Friday night at the box supper. Also a coronation ceremony will follow the box supper at which time the Queens of high school and grade school will be crowned. Alma Baker is the leading candidate at this writing. Mary Jo Hadaway is leading in high school. Neither one has the race won yet by any means. So all you students get out

and campaign for your class Queen.

The grade school students are busy practicing on the Christmas program which they will present on the night of December 20.

The Union HD club met Thursday, December 5 with Mrs. Claude Montgomery. The women were glad to learn how to make lapel pins with sequins and beads. They spent the afternoon making inexpensive Christmas gifts which are to be displayed at Brownfield Dec. 14. Delicious homemade fruit cake and coffee (or cocoa) were served to eleven women and about 20 children. The club adjourned to meet again the first Thursday in Jan. with Mrs. Carol Shults.

All the grade school rooms are decorated for Christmas. Some

look rather Christmasy with Santas and trees peeping at windows. The children are all looking forward to a big time. They are planning to have a tree in each room on the afternoon of the 20th and then the Christmas program that night for the patrons. A copy of the program follows:

"Welcome to All"—David Cabe.

"Jolly Old Saint Nicholas"—"Jingle Bells"—by first and second grade rhythm band—led by Aleta Ann McCullough.

"Christmas Cakes"—Kermit Duane Shults.

"'Tis Almost Christmas" "Santa's Toyshop"—songs by the children below the 4th grade, led by Mozelle Brock.

"Christmas Acrostic"—by a first grader.

"Santa Claus"—Claude Montgomery, Jr.

"Getting Ready for Christmas"—"Good Santa Claus"—songs by children below the 4th grade, led by Joyce Simmons.

"Christmas Eve"—Carol Ann Garner.

"Compromise"—Johnny Benton.

"Sleigh Bells"—"On Merry Christmas Morning"—songs by children below 4th grade, led by Betty Duncan.

"Jest 'Fore Christmas"—James Bruce.

"Silent Night." Piano duet by Lavita and Yvonne Herring.

"This year"—Wanda Hadaway.

"Christ in the Manger" Pantomime by 5th and 6th.

"The Christmas 'Gimme'" 2-

act play by 7th and 8th.

"Between Acts"—"In Closing"—Jimmy Sargent.

Announcements by Superintendent Hancock.

Who then is the invincible man? He whom nothing that is outside the sphere of the moral purpose can dismay.—Epictetus.

Immortal courage fills the human breast and lights the living way of life.—Mary Baker Eddy.

It is possible for bacteria to survive in a state of suspended animation for thousands of years.

Courage is that virtue which champions the cause of right.—Cicero.

Sheng Dan Jieh—A Holy Festival

The celebration of Christmas is gradually becoming widespread in China as more and more families are converted to Christianity.

Sheng Dan Jieh—literally, Holy Birth Festival—is the Chinese name for Christmas. Private homes are decorated with large white posters inscribed with Chinese characters meaning Peace, Good Will, etc. The Christmas tree is also popular: symbolically called the Tree of Light, it is usually made of papier mache and, trimmed with paper flowers and ornaments, it is not artificially lighted.

Gifts are exchanged within family circles and there are "surprises" for the children: American lead pencils, picture books and even cast-off Christmas cards are exceedingly popular.

Early mass on Christmas morning is the focal point of the religious observances. Lantern-lit processions enter dark churches before dawn and, after mass, wind their way home singing Chinese translations adapted to the original melodies of "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," "Silent Night," and other traditional Christmas carols.

Where true fortitude dwells, loyalty, bounty, friendship, and fidelity may be found.—Sir Thomas Browne.



The custom of making short calls on New Year's Day was in full swing throughout America about 1900. Newspapers carried columns of "at home" notices specifying the hours during which visitors would be received. A succession of "open houses" and punch bowls sometimes minimized the courtesy accorded to hussies—receptions were often "crashed" by bibulous strangers; hence, the publicly announced "open house" custom has fallen into decline and, New Year's calls now being exchanged only by intimates, the Wassail bowl goes 'round in private.

Courage is, on all hands, considered as an essential of high character.—Froude.

The braves are the tenderest.—The loving are the daring.—Bayard Taylor.



GREETINGS

This is the time of year we love best! — when the bright spirit of the season instills happiness in every heart.

There's something infectious about Yuletide jolliness, ... and we want to add our wishes to its warmth.

"Merry Christmas"

Tarpley Insurance Agency

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Playing cards made from cellulose nitrate sheets are being manufactured—they will outlast 50 decks of ordinary cards.

TRY A HERALD WANT AD

*Best Wishes
for a Joyous
Christmas*



*We're
Enjoying
Our First
Christmas
Here With You.*

JOHNNY AND OCTAVIA BROOKS
LOWE'S STUDIO



A "MERRY CHRISTMAS" . . . Some on the road to recovery, some doomed to spend their lives in hospitals, thousands upon thousands of World War II heroes are spending Christmas in hospitals again this year. Happy despite handicapping war wounds, fighting veterans have entered into the Yuletide spirit.

The largest elephants are the adult males of the African species.

Proctor: "Have you ever been to the zoo?"
New Boy: "No, Sir."
Proctor: "You should go. You would get a great kick out of watching the turtles zip past."

He: "I'm thinking of asking some girl to marry me. What do you think of the idea?"
She: "It's a great idea; if you ask me."

TRY A HERALD WANT AD

CHRISTMAS QUIZ

To test your Christmas spirit and knowledge, the following questions are given. You should answer half of them in order to pass.

1. Who wrote "The Night Before Christmas"?
2. What story contains the following: a miserly old man?
3. Where is Christmas island?
4. Who wrote "White Christmas"?
5. In what country was mistletoe first worn around the neck to prevent sickness?
6. What does the Saxon word "hael" or "be in health" mean in connection with a Christmas custom?
7. An old Christmas superstition starts "A warm Christmas means . . ." How does it end?
8. Who is Quetzalcoatl?
9. What plant, a thorny one, traditionally blooms only at Christmas time?
10. Until her death what song did Mme. Schumann-Heink always sing on Christmas Eve?
11. What is the literal meaning of "Christmas"?
12. Where are the remains of Good St. Nicholas of Myra buried?

Answers

1. Dr. Clement C. Moore.
2. Dicken's "A Christmas Carol."
3. In Indian ocean, southwest of Java.
4. Irving Berlin.
5. Sweden.
6. Wassail bowl.
7. A cold Easter.
8. The Aztec Indian god, half bird, half snake, who took the place of Santa Claus in Mexico in 1930.
9. Christmas cactus.
10. "Silent Night."
11. Mass of Christ.
12. The remains were stolen in 1087 by merchants and re-interred at Bari.

A Volunteer Santa Speaks His Heart

"I know what it is to be a disappointed kid on Christmas morning—

"I always wanted a boat, but my folks were poor and I never got one—that's why I became Santa Claus, I guess.



Volunteers of America worker plays hostess to some of the organization's Santas.

"Working for the Volunteers of America, I've played Santa to thousands of youngsters during the last 16 years. I read a lot of minds, too, during the depression when people plodded past my cardboard chimney; folks are happy now and the carols, that gave them a far-away look while war almost blacked out the Christmas Spirit, make them smile and drop coins in the chimney.

"It's fun to have a part in the happy Christmases of so many youngsters. Most of those that I see come downtown with their mothers, and I try to get a nod of approval before I make any definite promises—kinda make sure the kids won't be disappointed.

"Just the same, I can't help thinking about the kids I never see who want dolls 'nd dishes, drums and sleds, picture books, skates, trains . . . and boats; what a lot of helpers Santa needs to see that all these things get to the right places at the right time!

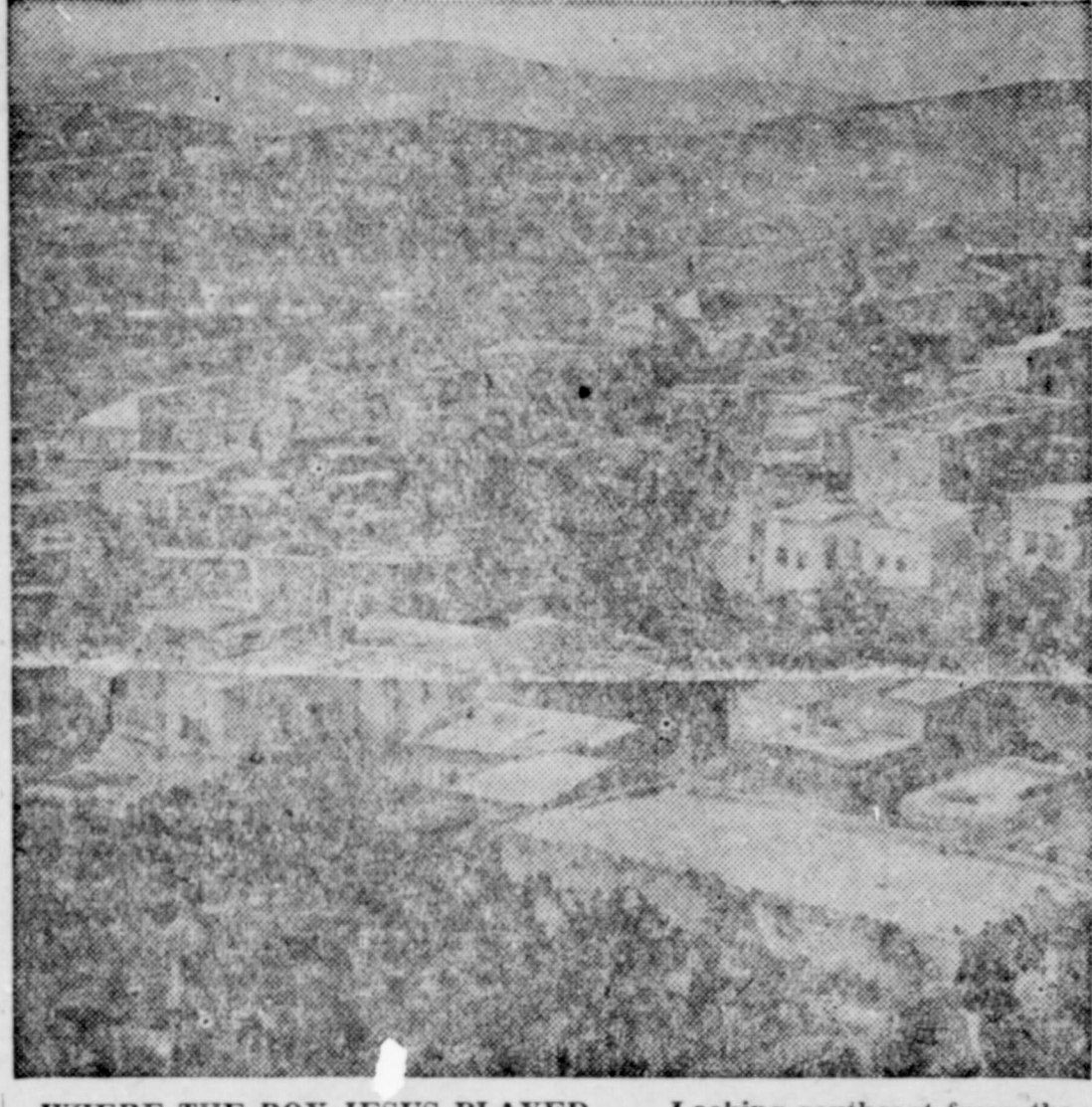
"Wish we could be sure there will be no broken hearts this Christmas."

Real St. Nicholas Of 4th Century

St. Nicholas is popularly associated with Christmas and gift-giving presumably because once during his mortal existence he reportedly endowed three dowless maidens with three purses of gold.

Historically—as the Archbishop of Myra, Nicholas was a member of the council of Nicaea, in 325 A. D., Constantine the Great called together the theologians of the Christian world in the first complete general council of the entire Christian church.

The council, assembled near Constantinople, and presided over by the still unbaptized Constantine, proclaimed the first exact definition of Christian teaching—as embodied in the Nicene Creed—and marks the beginning of Christianity as it is understood today.



WHERE THE BOY JESUS PLAYED . . . Looking southeast from the Hill of Precipitation, Nazareth, is shown the view where the boy Jesus played.



- It is said that the coming year's weather may be forecasted by peering an eye at the sky during Christmas week. Here are a few of the beliefs; conflicting in many details:
- If the sun shines through the apple tree on Christmas Day, there will be a good crop the following year.
- If ice will bear a man before Christmas, it will not bear a mouse afterwards.
- Thunder and lightning Christmas week means much snow the balance of the winter.
- Rain causes more damage than frost before than after Christmas.
- At Christmas if meadows are green, at Easter they will be covered with frost.
- If windy Christmas Day, trees will bear much fruit.
- A wet Christmas means an empty granary and barrel.
- A green Christmas makes a fat graveyard.
- A warm Christmas means a cold Easter.
- A green Christmas is followed by a white Easter.

About the most useless piece of advice we have heard lately is that to save "Used Fats" Every week we get nearly two cowpens full of material urging people to save all their waste fats, etc., and of course they would like to have all this material printed, "With-

out cost to them." Most housewives have such an awful time getting fats to cook with. A collector of used fats now would get about as far as a one-legged man at a kicking contest.—Anton News. Yeah! but Bro. Richards, all fats are so scarce, as you say, and

so the soap makers have to get fats from some place to make soap to keep the high salaried radio comedians on the air over the radio. So-o-o, they just call on the old country newspapers to pull their chestnuts out of the fire. Country editors, and their hands, can live on fresh air and branch water, you know. But their propaganda makes a good fire every day or so out behind the country weekly office.

"But Judge, I'm a very sick man. I can't do a forty-year sentence."
Judge: "Well, do all you can."

"A girl doesn't have to worry very much about her family tree if she has the right kind of limbs."



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DUNLAP'S
Lubbock, Texas

Wellman School News

Christmas holidays have been set for December 21 to 29 included.

Faculty play is postponed until after basketball season because of a heavy schedule of other activities. Basketball is outstanding on minds of all our people, and each team is showing much improvement although injury is keeping Roy Roberts on side line and Alta Faye Phillips is nursing a badly injured foot and is not seeing action. Clarence Livesay, during a visit to Kentucky is also being missed.

Our teams have been dividing winning honors with other teams but have won over such teams as Smyer, Dawson, Union, Loop and Meadow. All games to date have been non conference games. In the last of the pre-conference games scheduled, our teams will play Dawson in our gym on Dec. 19 at 7:30. Conference will open January 3, 1947 when our boys and girls shall meet Meadow in our gym. The girls are looking forward to receiving the new suits that are to be delivered this month from an order of almost two years standing. We know our looks in gray and scarlet will be more attractive than in the

ragas. A scout interested in materials for future basketball in WT-STC picked Larry Welcher, Wesley Earp, and Jimmy Welcher as favorable prospects. These lads are showing good accounts for themselves as are other members of both teams.

Our All-Star teams are showing they are able to meet strong competition. Union was humiliated on their last "out" by a score of 41 to 14 when Mrs. Welcher topped scoring honors with fourteen points. Adair and Burnett each hit the basket from the field five times and Oliver did likewise three times and one free toss. Holman, of the visitors, made eight points.

The All-Star men scored a double victory by first taking Loop into camp by 15 to 16 with Cecil Chambers throwing six points for honors. They next came out victorious over Columbia Carbon Black by a score of 23 to 7 with Chambers and Briscoe each scoring eight points.

In our first community show on last Thursday night the large audience thoroughly enjoyed the picture of Tom Sawyer's Adventures, and are looking forward to Friday night of this week when we shall "Courageous Mr. Penn." Show starts promptly at 7:30 p. m. after doors are opened

By Walrus Skin Boat



The trip from his home on King Island, in the Bering Strait, to Portland, Ore., involved a walrus skin boat, ship, and airplane, but Eskimo Veteran Paul Tiulana needed a new artificial limb and the 2,400-mile trip was necessary to assure a proper fitting. Tiulana lost his leg in a truck accident soon after joining the U. S. Army's Alaskan defense force.

at 7:00 for all affairs. Interest in the community is much on the rise as shown by attendance at all ball games, shows and other entertainments. Supt. Jones and faculty members de-lassees such interests has spread in daily work of the students.

TEXAS BROTHERS GET 5 YEARS IN PRISON

OKLAHOMA CITY, —(UP)—Federal Judge Edgar S. Vaught today sentenced Joseph Luther Hixon, 33, and his brother, James A. Hixon, 28, of Electra, Tex., to 25 years in prison for the \$33,000 robbery last Aug. 8 of the Walters, Okla., National bank.

Judge Vaught directed U. S. District Attorney Charles E. Dierker to designate the prison. Dierker did not make an immediate decision.

Only about \$8,000 of the loot was recovered.

Add a few drops of ammonia to the water when washing greasy dishes and roasting pans. It will help them to come clean quicker. The ammonia increases the alkalinity of the water and that aids in cutting the grease.

Pickle consumption in the U. S. increased from an average of 5,000,000 bushels annually during the 1930's to an average of 7,250,000 bushels during the war.



KATE YARROW had so often heard neighbors remark that she would be an old woman before her time, that she had begun to think of herself as quite middle-aged. Actually she was not quite 30, nor had her full days as mistress of the Yarrow household turned her hair gray or her cheeks wan.

Sometimes, since she had taken her mother's place, Kate did think she was imposed upon. But she blamed no one. Her father was generous enough with the money, and she had Martie in the kitchen and old Sam for outside work. But five inconsiderate younger brothers and sisters, a preoccupied father and a grumbling grandfather made a household that required supervision.

For the past two years, Kate thought, there had really been no Christmas. But this year would be different. The brothers, all in boarding school or college, had accepted invitations to spend the holidays with room-mates. One sister was visiting an aunt, and the other had gone south with her exacting but youthful grandfather. And Kate's father was spending the season with a thoroughly capable widow who, it had been whispered, he was considering as a possible second wife.



Bill did not neglect his privilege. So as soon as the last member of her brood had faded down the driveway, Kate told Martie and Sam to take a two-day vacation — and then settled back to spend Christmas by herself. She ran into the capacious living room and with a completely undignified leap planted herself sprawling upon the divan. Everyone but Kate sprawled on that divan. Kate never had time. Now she would begin the Christmas holidays by staying there for hours.

Before dinner-time she donned her best red evening frock and over this her smock. Then she went down to the kitchen to make herself a meal, admitting for the first time that it was rather lonesome in the old house. She heard loud rappings on the old brass knocker, and went to open the door rather timidly.

But her timidity gave way to annoyance. There was her older brother, Tom, who had started that morning ostensibly to pass the holidays with a group of bachelor friends. And here he was, back—with five young men in tow! They were heavily laden, turkey feet protruding from one of the bundles.

"Well, we began talking it over," Tom said, "and decided Christmas at the club would be a treat. So I asked the fellows to come home with me. I was afraid you wouldn't have things for the feast, so we stopped and got what we thought you'd want. Bill, here, even got mistletoe, though I told him there'd be no pretty girls!"

Then, turning to one of the young men whom Kate had never met, the tactless brother went on. "Bill, this is my sister. Now I'll run along and get the car in the garage. And, sis, you might take the fellows up and show 'em where you want 'em to sleep!"

Bill alone of the young bachelors noted the look of disappointment on Kate's face. Later, after she had prepared an impromptu Christmas Eve supper and laid aside her smock, she heard Bill say from the other end of the table: "I thought Tom said there would be no pretty girls here. Boys, let's drink a toast to Sister Kate!"

It was past midnight that night when Kate left the kitchen. The boys had helped with the dishes under Bill's orders, but there would be pies and puddings to make for the next day and Kate knew she would have her hands full. She was up early to prepare the festive breakfast, and all day she worked in the kitchen.

It was late Christmas night when she had finished the last work in the kitchen. As she passed through the hall, Bill stood waiting for her. There, above them, hung the mistletoe — and Bill did not neglect his privilege.

"It isn't just because of the mistletoe," he told Kate, holding her still close to him. "I loved you when I first saw you. It has been outrageous for us to impose on you this way."

"It's all been worthwhile, Bill," Kate replied, "because I've made myself believe that I was doing it all for you—alone!"



FRENCH HOPE . . . Displaying his double might with which he hopes to take American pugilistic honors and earn some of the good old American currency, Marcel Cerdan, French boxer, shows his fists at American embassy while awaiting visa.

POOL NEWS

(Delayed)

Rev. Ed Tharp, pastor of the Pool Methodist church, filled his regular appointment Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Tussell and Curtis visited Mr. and Mrs. Omar Allen of Dixie Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Newson and family of Brownfield, Texas, attended church at Pool Sunday.

H. H. Dunn and family also, Lawrence and David Dunn spent the weekend visiting Mr. and Mrs. Dave Jackson of Lamesa.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rowe of Levelland and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Britton and family of Meadow, all visited in the Gunter home part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Aldridge and family of Brazos, Texas, and former residents of the Pool community spent the weekend with their daughter, Mrs. Arnold Waters. The Aldridges were on their way to California to make their home.

A large crowd attended the community party held at the school house Friday night.

Mrs. Bernard Bishop of Snyder, Texas is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Barrier.

This community was saddened by the death of Mrs. J. T. Alexander, daughter of Mrs. J. Y. Young, Monday. Mrs. Alexander was killed when her car overturned near Frankel City.

Although John Wesley denounced tea at one time, he is said to have become a tea drinker in later life.

SECRETS OF SUCCESS OF THE ARMY

Fighting is a business of a highly specialized nature; a kind of business that, at all times, requires the most serious kind of training.

If you are to make a success in the business world, you must necessarily absorb a certain amount of technical training to fit you for your job, so it is with the Army. Each man must be trained to look out not only for himself but for the welfare of his fellow men. Often lives may depend on how well a certain individual carries out his duties.

Men who enlist in the US Army make the world's best soldier because they are volunteers. For this reason the morale in the Army is kept at an unusually high level.

Recruits enter the Army at their local Recruiting stations and are then transferred to one of the large training centers where they undergo the transformation of becoming soldiers of the U. S. Dur-

ing the training period to men are given uniforms and taught to handle many kinds of small arms and weapons of warfare.

They are taught discipline, which is something a good soldier never forgets. It always pays dividends not only in the Army but in later life as well.

A soft recruit, accustomed to comforts and ease of civil life, soon finds himself transformed into a sun-tanned, toughened Army man. His outlook on life changes; he begins to realize that his job is as important as any in the army. He becomes a vital part of one of the worlds greatest military organizations and thereby becomes a better citizen of the United States.

The average elevation of Oklahoma is 1,300 feet. The lowest point, 324 feet, is in the southeastern corner; the highest, 4,978 feet, is in the state's panhandle.

Keep berries cool and out of the sun. They will keep better if placed in the refrigerator.

WHAT CAUSES LONG DISTANCE TRAFFIC JAMS



When more long distance calls are placed than our switchboards and lines can accommodate at one time, a traffic jam is the result. You can help relieve this jam by waiting until circuits are clear. An important part of the telephone industry's expansion program is an increase in long distance facilities. This can be completed only when material becomes available. Meanwhile, we ask your continued co-operation.

SOUTHWESTERN ASSOCIATED TELEPHONE COMPANY



Merry Christmas

All of us are wishing all of you the best the season has to offer! That covers good health, good friends, good times and good fortune!

HENRY CHISKOLM GROCERY

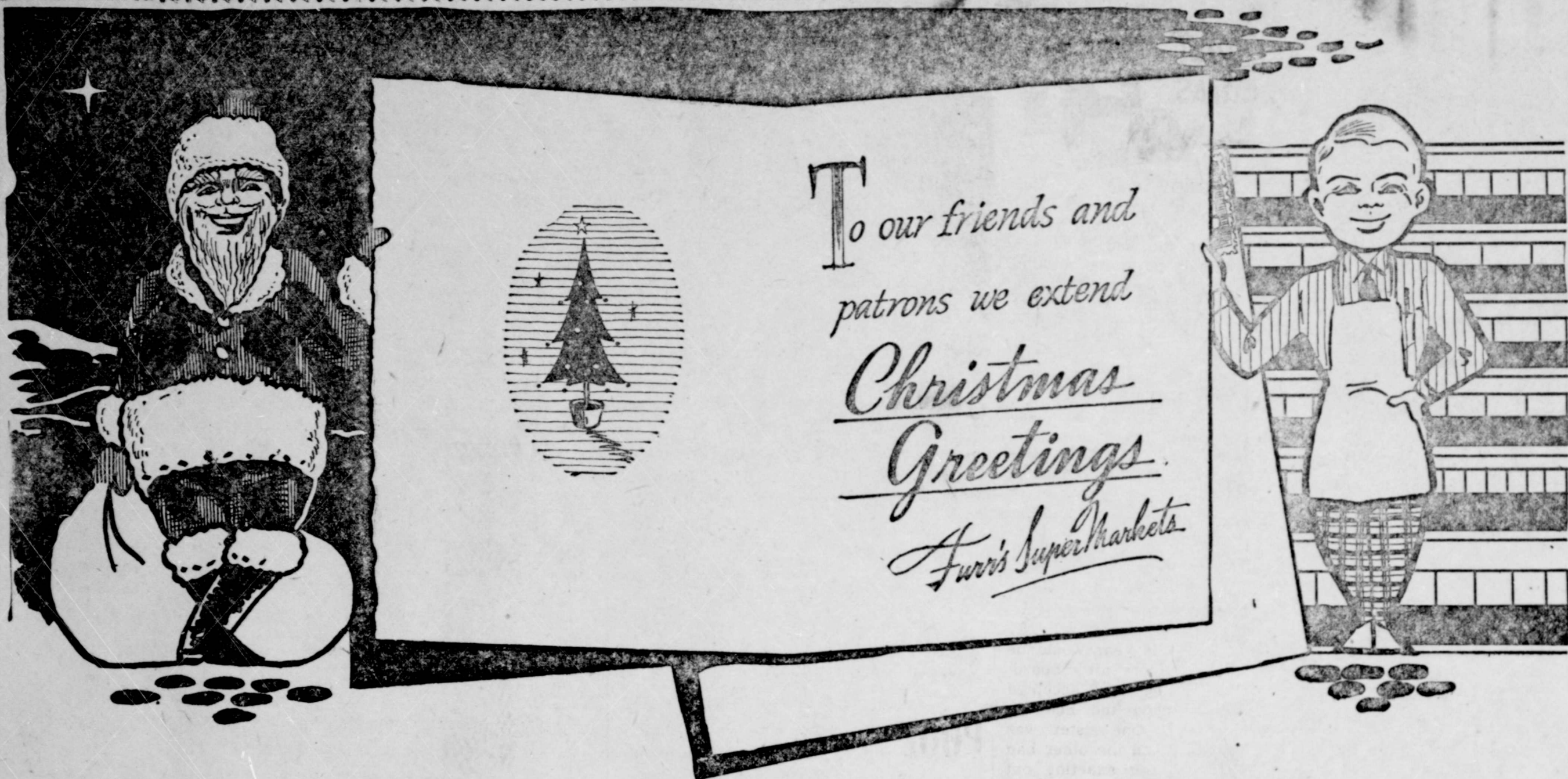
Suggestions for holiday travelers



- Start your holiday trip as soon as possible to avoid the rush during Christmas week
- Make reservations as soon as possible.
- Be sure to tag your luggage with proper identification.
- Check all surplus luggage for handling via baggage service.

By following these friendly suggestions you will help us accommodate as many travelers as possible this holiday season, and enable us to do our best to serve you with the equipment that is available. Thanks for your cooperation.





HOMINY, Bestex No. 2 1/2 can -- 15c

PUMPKIN Libby's No. 2 1/2 can -- 23c

SPINACH Tex. No. 2 can ----- 12c

SPRY 3 lb. glass -- **\$1.39**

SALMON, Choice red 7 oz. can -- 43c

CHERRIES M'chino red 8 oz. jr. 33c

FRUIT COCKTAIL Hunt's in heavy Syrup, No. 2 1/2 can **35c**

OXYDOL Large Package ----- **35c**

GRAPEFRUIT JUICE Texas 46 oz. can ----- 25c

SWEET POTATOES No. 2 1/2 can ----- 22c

VIENNA SAUSAGE Can ----- 19c

APPLE SAUCE, No. 2 can ----- 22c

OLEO MARGERINE Meadowlake Lb. ----- **43c**

ORANGE JUICE Adams 47 oz. can ----- **29c**

Thompson Seedless 2 lbs. Venus, Board Pack 16 oz. pkg. RAISINS ----- 53c

FROZEN FOODS

Libby's Early Garden No. 2 can PAPER SHELL PEAS ----- 23c

SALAD DRESSING Mrs. Ragsdale, 8 oz. jar ----- 10c

FURR'S FRESH

IN SUGAR STRAWBERRIES 16 oz. pkg. ----- 59c

IN SUGAR BLACKBERRIES 16 oz. pkg. ----- 39c

IN SUGAR LOGANBERRIES 16 oz. pkg. ----- 59c

GOLD MEDAL FLOUR 25 lb. bag ----- \$1.75 10 lb. bag ----- 39c

Green Gold, fancy cut No. 2 can ECONOMY Can 7 oz. GREEN BEANS ----- 23c

P'NUT CRUNCH, jar ----- 40c

Extra Standard No. 2 can Large Size TOMATOES ----- 15c

SUNSHINE, lb. box ----- 25c

NIL, pt. w-sprayer ----- 89c

CUT-RITE, pkg. ----- 18c

GEARDT'S Chili pwr. 17c

PEACHES Hunt's in heavy Syrup, No. 2 1/2 can ----- **29c**

Lard Armour's Pure, 3 lb. carten ----- **99c**

Fresh Fruits and Vegetables

BEANS fully dressed & drawn, lb. ----- 55c

Quality MEATS

CRANBERRIES, Eatmore ex. fancy lb. 39c

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Just like mother's

PREFERRED Toy Electric Irons are again available! These sturdy, metal irons really heat up! "Little women" can iron their doll clothes - even small personal items.

LOW wattage element eliminates danger of burns or scorching. Beautiful, grey metal construction. Solid steel base plate. Will stand long months of usage.

LOW in cost - high in playtime value. See it at your favorite store NOW.

PURE PORK SAUSAGE in sacks lb. 49c

California Fresh Crisp Stalk Large Fancy Bunches Each CELERY ----- 19c

SKINLESS Pound SLICED Pound WEINERS ----- 39c

ORANGES Tex. New Navels, lb. ----- 8c

HAMS Tenderized, BUTT END, lb. 59c SHANK END, lb. 55c

Washington red Delicious LB. California Iceberg LB. APPLES ----- 15c

MARKET SLICED LB. PORK CHOPS BACON ----- 69c

POTATOES Idaho Russets lb. 5c 10 lb bg. 49c

ROAST BEEF, pound ----- 37c PORK, pound ----- 49c

GRAPES, Red Emporers, lb. ----- 19c

CHEESE PROVOLONE, pound ----- 39c LONGHORN, pound ----- 58c 2 lb. ARMOUR'S, each ----- 99c

Low prices every day

FURR'S SUPER MARKETS

Mistletoe Distinct As Yule Decoration

Mistletoe, that distinctive Christmas green so common in many parts of America, is usually thought of as merely good holiday decoration or as a creator of open season on ladies fair for otherwise bashful swains.

Mistletoe did not always hold this position in our lives. The Druids called it "all-heal," and thought it held many miraculous virtues. The Scandinavians dedicated it to their goddess of love, Friga. Probably this goddess of love is responsible for the custom of kissing under the mistletoe.



The power to heal, to protect against sickness, to perform magic deeds—all these and more are the qualities ascribed to this plant in legends, traditions and even in ancient histories and literature.

Mistletoe is a parasite, which infests branches of various trees of both hardwood and conifers, but mainly on hardwoods. One species is found exclusively, however, on conifers.

Among the Celts and others mistletoe which grew from the oak was considered to have peculiar magical virtues not possessed by that from any other trees. Some even considered it so rare as to be only cut with a gold knife.

Another old tradition is that the mistletoe supplied the wood for the holy cross, as previous to that time it was a forest tree but after the crucifixion was condemned to exist only as a dwarf parasite.

Mistletoe was taken over into the Christian tradition in due course and dedicated to the Christ Child. An old rhyme reads:

The mistletoe bough
At our Christmas board
Shall hang to the honor
Of Christ our Lord.

Suffocation ranks number two as killer of newborn babies, accounting for about 50,000 infant deaths a year.

An ostrich can eat oranges so fast that six can be seen in his neck at one time.

The first excursion train of the Santa Fe Railway reached Las Vegas New Mexico in the year 1879.



CHRISTMAS IN MIDDLE AMERICA . . . While the Christmas customs vary in the ten Middle America republics, bells play an important part in every country. This belfry in church tower at Panama City plays a big part in their holiday celebration.

"Be Thou Well" On Christmas Day

Among the happy customs of Christmas is that of drinking a wish for health and happiness to the assembled guests—the early name used was "wassail."

The name "wassail" is a contraction of the middle English "waes hael," meaning "be thou well."

Wassail was usually prepared in a large wooden bowl. The base of the drink, which was cider, was placed in the bowl and other ingredients added for seasoning. It was then set on the hearth in front of a log fire and apples were tied above. As the apples began to roast, the juice dripped into the wooden bowl.

Here is a recipe for wassail today:

1 gallon cider, dash of grenadine, 6 egg whites, separated and whipped. Add allspice, cinnamon, crushed cloves to suit and one pint of milk or cream.

Arab fishermen and sailors live in the coastal villages of Iran—date farmers inhabit the plain that lies behind the coast.

The Arabian camel's hump may contain 80 pounds of pure fat.

It is estimated that there are more than 200,000 Kashgai tribesmen roaming the mountains of Iran.

—Try A Herald Want Ad—

Johnson News (Delayed)

Shirley Rock of Brownfield is spending the week with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Verdell Lasiter.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Cowper and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Geddie and family visited Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Oliver and family of Hobbs, N. M., Sunday.

James Neal Jones and Wanda Winn had a car wreck Sunday. No one was hurt. Both cars were bunched up a little.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Merritt and children visited the Leon Simpsons of Union Sunday.

Mrs. Leo Graves and daughters and Mrs. Geo. Lasiter are home after spending a week with their mother, Mrs. W. D. Winn of McKinney.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Jones and family of Ropesville, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Jones and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Jones and family Sunday.

We welcome all the new comers to our churches in the Johnson community. Methodist S. S. meets at 10 every 2nd and 4th Sundays. Church starts at 11. Baptist S. S. meets at 10:30. Preaching every Sunday and Sunday night.

The Church of Christ' services begins at 2 each Sunday after-

noon. The W. M. U. met with Mrs. E. D. Goyle. Five were present.

—Try A Herald Want Ad—

A "foam suit" which enabled men who fell into the sea to keep warm for two or three hours was developed in Germany during the war.



Season's Greetings

Up hill and down dale
go our Christmas wishes to all
our friends and patrons.
This is the time of year when the cup of
good cheer is its fullest, hospitality
is its cheeriest, and our thoughts
of you are warmest!

BROWNFIELD BARGAIN CENTER, Inc.



Christmas Minus a Santa Claus

Do you believe in Santa Claus? The children of Middle America never heard of ole Saint Nick, even though their holiday celebration compares happily and merrily to our own.

Picnics and outdoor excursions are traditional events of the day, for Christmas comes in mid-summer weather there. Weeks before the holiday, families in El Salvador, Mexico and Panama prepare tiny clay or wooden figures for the creche which most homes display during the universal holiday. In Guatemala, Costa Rica and Cuba, images of the Virgin are carried through the streets.

Christmas celebrations and customs vary in the ten republics which comprise Middle America—Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama, Cuba, Haiti and the Dominican Republic.

Fireworks climax the festival in most of these republics and marimba bands play in bunting-bedecked parks while whole families trek from farm to village, visiting relatives or joining in the public merrymaking.

Mexican families string their patios with colored lanterns and hang the pinata, a large clay jar shaped like a bird or animal and filled with fruits, nuts and candies purchased at the picturesque Christmas stalls in the markets. The children are blindfolded and armed with long sticks. They reach for the pinata until one child breaks the jar and the sweets tumble out to be shared by all.

Despite the various forms of observing the Christmas holidays Middle America is united in its celebration of peace with its bright hope for inter-American interdependence.



May yours be a Merry Christmas

Just as simple, straightforward friendship is a fine relationship—there is no finer way to say what we feel than is expressed in these simple, straightforward words: "Merry Christmas"!

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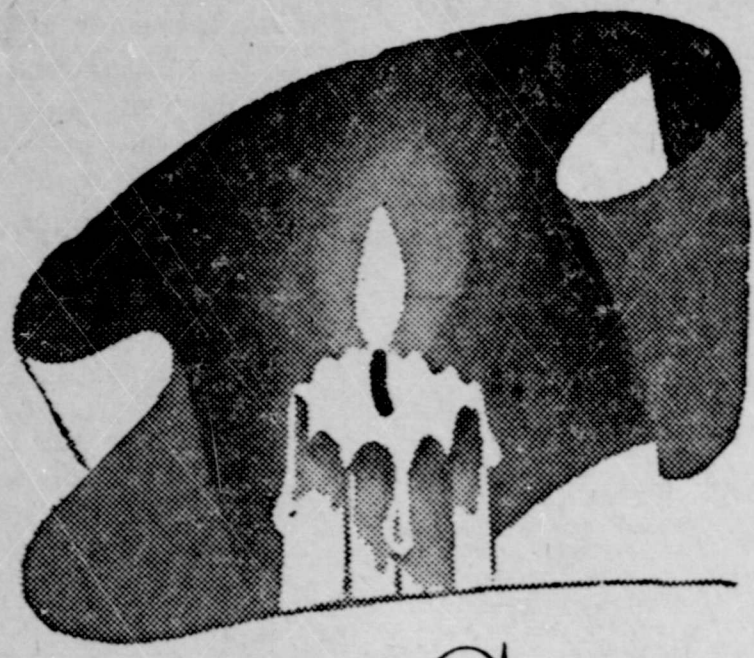


THIS IS
OUR FIRST
CHRISTMAS
WITH YOU

When we ventured into post war business in this town, we knew just a handful of people. But in a short time we have gotten to know everyone and to really feel this community "Home." That's all the reason we need to feel merry this Christmas, while we sincerely wish you the season's joy.

BROWNFIELD MOTOR CO.

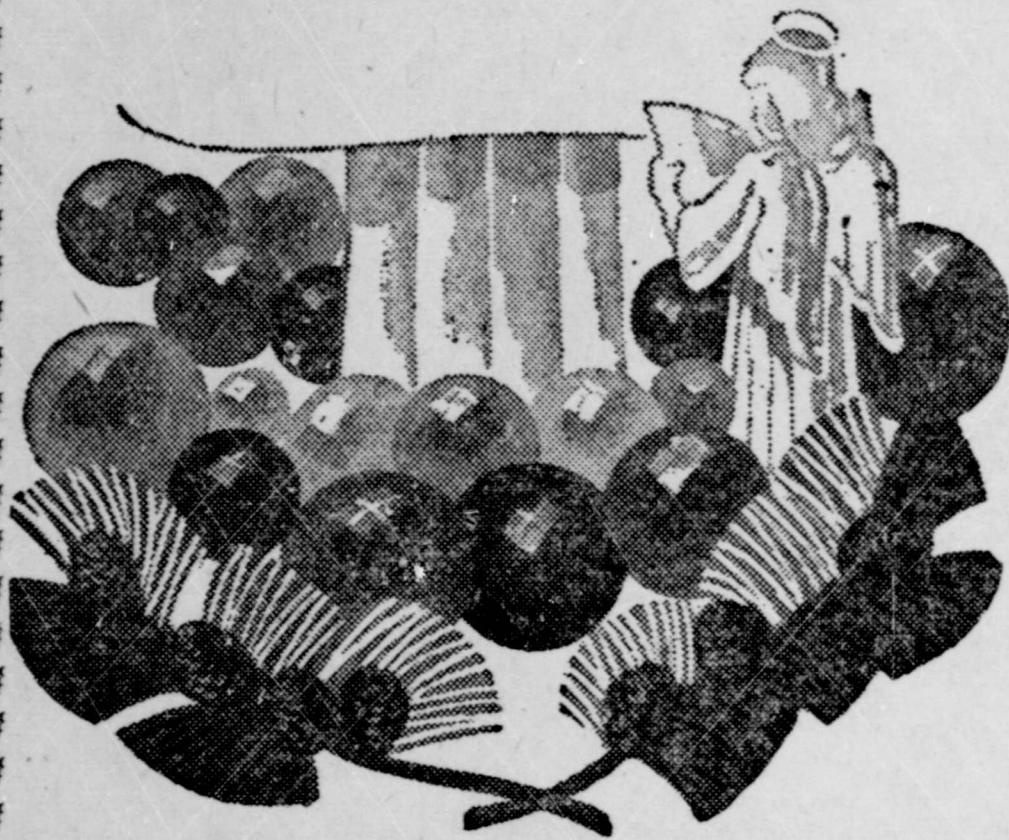
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Christmas Greetings

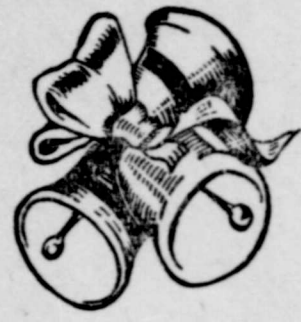
To everyone living in this community — to the business men and housewives; to the employees of our retail stores and industrial plants; to babes in arms — Merry Christmas, one and all.

CHISHOLM HATCHERY



CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS

AROUND THE WORLD



★ The custom of ringing a joyous peal of bells on Christmas morning has been for ages a feature of the Christmas celebration. In many countries, however, the bells ring on Christmas Eve, for according to the old church usage the real beginning of Christmas was at sunset on Christmas Eve. Christmas bells tell us that once, long ago, on a Christmas day love came into the world, flooding the earth with beauty and goodness, when the angels sang about a crib in Bethlehem.

The pagan Romans were the first to utilize Christmas greens for decorative purposes. They decorated growing evergreens with tiny masks to insure fertility. The progress from this pagan practice to the modern Christian use is hidden in unproven theories. Because of their unchanging freshness, evergreens were considered a symbol of eternity. The circle, without end was an emblem of the same symbol. Mistletoe was held in veneration by the ancient Celts and Teutons.

Burning of the Yule log was a symbol of the return of the sun. The log was dragged ceremoniously to the family hearth, where it was drenched with wine and kindled with a brand saved from the preceding year. When flames crackled forth it portended good luck for the coming year. If the log did not light it was believed to be an omen of ill luck. The "Feast of the Returning Sun" was an ancient pagan festival, observed by many peoples.

★ The giving of gifts was instituted by St. Nichols, who was first considered an ascetic in Europe, when he appeared as an oldster with white beard, on horseback, carrying gifts for good children, switches for bad ones. Pelznickle, from the demon world would accompany him, clad in a fur coat and carrying a switch. St. Nichols, or Nicholas, was bishop of Myra in Asia Minor, in the fourth century. He is patron saint of Greece, Russia, and the city of Naples.



★ Feasting on Christmas today is pallid compared to what it was in days gone by. Turkey was first introduced in England about 1520 and as a mild substitute for the traditional boar's head garlanded with rosemary and laurel. The exotic roasted peacock was also a favorite at early feasts. Mince pie was eaten in the 16th century as a symbol of the riches brought by the three wise men. It was filled with rich spices and products brought from the mysterious far East.

Christmas boxes for the poor did not originate in America. They date back to the days of the ancient Romans. They held a feast in honor of Saturn. Boxes were made up and distributed. This has become an important part of Christmas in this country and the plan has been developed and enlarged by religious, civic and other organizations in order to bring happiness to hundreds of thousands who would otherwise be overlooked at Christmas. Boxing Day is a legal holiday.



★ There are nearly as many versions of Santa Claus as there are nationalities: Father Christmas, St. Nicholas, Babquschka, Kris Kringle and many others. But regardless of his name, he is welcomed and beloved by all—children and adults alike. In America Santa Claus is still recognized by the original drawing of Thomas Nash, made to illustrate Dr. Clement Clark Moore's poem, "A Visit to St. Nichols."



Though the yule bells ring out their loudest, they cannot drown out the heartiness of our season's wishes for you. In whatever way we can, we're helping to make your Christmas merrier — and look forward to even more faultless service to you throughout 1947.

Christmas Greetings

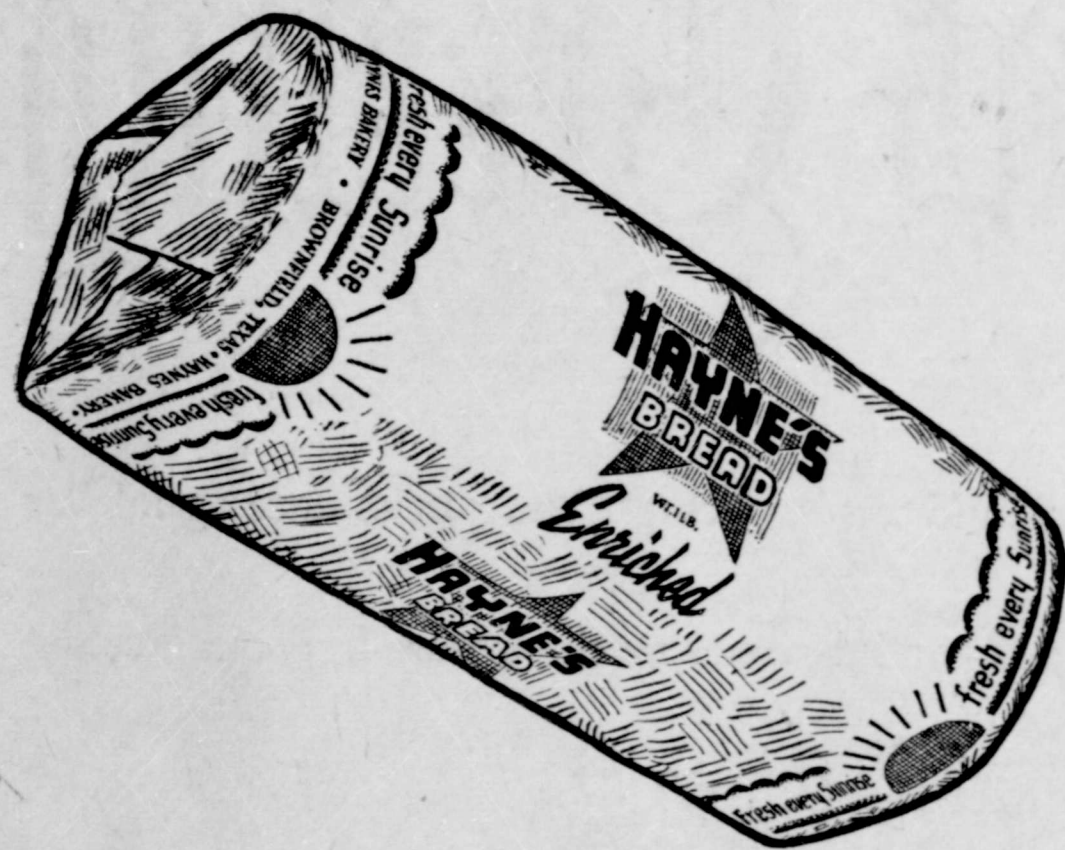
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Christmas Cheer

To One And All With Wishes Sincere



For A Merry Christmas And A Happy New Year

HAYNES BAKERY

The Woman Listener

By Sally Welles

SINCE PIANO-COMEDIAN Victor Borge and clarinet maestro Benny Goodman joined forces in Hollywood for NBC's "Victor Borge Show" a new duet has joined the ranks of America's "fireside musicians". When they're not rehearsing their weekly show or other engagements, Benny and Victor settle down for quiet piano - clarinet sessions of both classics and popular works. Recently the boys decided to swap instruments and give each other lessons, but soon abandoned the idea. "Nothing to blow into," said Benny of the piano; while Borge turned back the clarinet and quipped, "Got to save all my wind for my gag writers!"



Victor Borge

Wherever she goes radio actress Elizabeth Watts earns an appropriate nickname. Fellow-artists call her the "Grande Dame" of radio. Overseas, where she appeared in U.S.O. shows, GIs called her "The Mom of the European Theatre of Operations". Liz appears often on CBS's "Mystery Of The Week" programs.

Tom Breneman has received thousands of requests for "Breakfast In Hollywood" kits, which contain all things needed for a local party in good cause—orchid, wishing ring, and huge cigar. In addition he also receives gifts of homemade women's hats from ingenious listeners. The largest hat measures 31 inches in diameter; the smallest 3/4 of an inch.

Barry Thomson has resumed his role as "Young Dr. Malone", popular CBS serial, in the character of Roger Dineen, the corrupt politician who has repented of his sins and attempts a come-back in the guise of philanthropist.

The ability to run the gamut of emotions in split seconds appeared early in the life of Mercedes McCambridge, star of CBS's "Big Sister". When Mercedes was five years old she recited a piece at a Kinsman, Illinois bazaar. The audience applauded. Mercedes grinned and started all over again. But when the Mistress of Ceremonies put a -on to the encore, the grin immo-

ately melted into a flood of tears. Lowell Thomas, famous radio newscaster, is looking forward to making his home in the West again, after many years away from his old stamping ground. Thomas may settle in California sometime this Winter. It was his chronic inability to stay put that started Thomas on his years of headline-hunting and globe-trotting, but he feels that if he can find a suitable place, he will want to stay "at home".

Marion Shockley, star of "Road Of Life", and Bud Collyer, announcer for this same show, decided recently to keep "Road Of Life" in the family. Marion has just become Mrs. Bud Collyer.

Les Damon, who plays Dr. Campbell on NBC's "Right To Happiness", claims his off-key voice proved his key to success. His school opera society was putting a show and needed someone to fill the one non-singing role. Everyone else was insulted when offered the part. Not Les. He admitted he couldn't keep a tune and took the job.

Queens of Mutual's "Queen For A Day" programs during the next few weeks will be "specialty" Queens. They'll be a Queen of the Theatre, Air, Service, and Travel, Camera and Cowboy Queens, among others. Emcee Jack Bailey's motto seems to be: "You name it, and we've got a Queen for it!"

Ralph Edwards' "Truth Or Consequences" program has been full of surprises lately for contestants. Dusty Rhodes, First, Ralph's Dusty to live for three weeks on an island which turned out to be Hollywood traffic island. When the sequence was over, Dusty played an Edwards-on-Edwards by telling the waiting taxicab driver to take him home—to Brooklyn. Last surprise was for Dusty the Saturday night he arrived in NBC-New York and found that the whole "Truth Or Consequences" show had come East just to give him his final pay off.

The Milky Way is a galaxy, one of many in the universe.

LAMB COUNTY VOTERS APPROVE BOND ISSUE

LITTLEFIELD, Dec. 1 — The 1-A district of Lamb county today voted a \$350,000 bond issue for the building of farm-to-market roads in the south end of the county, where the district is located.

A total of 476 votes were cast in the five election boxes of the district, and the issue carried by a tally of 334 to 118.

The publishing industry in the United States is the principal market for Canada's paper industry.

The Sinai Peninsula dominates the Gulf of Suez and the Gulf of Akaba.

Negroes comprise approximately 9.8 per cent of the population of the United States.

WOTS THIS!!



IT'S A PICTURE . . . of something new, loud and sweet. And come to think of it Radio Station KSEL is new, loud and sweet, too. Turn your dial to 950 for the best in radio entertainment. Did we hear someone say "Little, too"? Well, KSEL IS NOT little. It is the South Plains only 1000 Watt Radio Station now on the air.



Christmas Cheer

Ride, Santa, ride — and leave in your track our sincerest wishes to everyone for a joyful Christmas!

PATE F. COLLIER
Gulf Service



There's magic galore in this HIGH LEVEL "SWING-OUT" BROILER . . . of Magic Chef

Magic is the word for the way the Magic Chef broils, barbecues, and warms food and plates. Like magic are its 48 advantages such as automatic top lighting . . . high speed oven . . . long-lasting dependability . . . lifetime beauty. A gas range you'll be proud of.

J. B. KNIGHT HARDWARE

GOLD STAR WORKERS

Delayed)— The Gold Star Workers met at the Wellman lunch room, Tuesday, Dec. 3, 1946. The President called the meeting to order, and turned the house over to Peggy Jones, the recreation leader who started the songs of our Christmas Party. After the songs, Mrs. Moore handed out the gifts. After every one had opened their gifts the Recreation leader started the games. After playing several games the club was dismissed with the great pleasure of knowing that Miss Dunlap would be present at our first meeting after Christmas which will be the first Monday in January.

Reporter, Patsy Bowlin

Farmers To Oppose Water Control By Legislation

When the proposed underground water proration bill comes before the 50th session of the state legislature at Austin this spring, West Texas irrigation farmers will watch the legislative proceedings with keen interest.

A group of municipal and industrial water users headed by the Permian Basin Water Works Association have advocated statewide control and proration of Texas' underground water. A resolution along this line has been passed to several members of the state legislature calling for such a law in the interest of conserving the state's water supply.

The 12,865,518 negroes in the United States at last census furnished 45.8 of the domestic service, 26 per cent of the saw-mill and planing mills workers, 24.2 per cent of hotel and lodging place workers.

To remove a hard-water deposit from the bottom of the washing machine, rub it clean with a cloth that has been dampened in vinegar water.

Herald Want Ads Get Results

Panhandle irrigation farmers in several West Texas counties have quickly organized to oppose the legislation and to devote their interests to conserving the water through private control.

WESLEYAN GUILD ELECTS OFFICERS FOR NEW YEAR

The Wesleyan Guild of the Methodist church met in Fellowship Hall Wednesday evening of last week for their Christmas party and to elect new officers for the coming year. Miss Reva Newsum was elected president; Mrs. Joe Hardin, vice-president; Mrs. Lewis Simmonds, secretary and J. P. Miller, treasurer.

Mrs. P. N. Figley was presented with a gift of crystal as outgoing president and Mrs. R. N. Luckabee received a set of dishes as a gift from the Guild. The guild has had Polyanna sisters throughout the year and they revealed their names and exchanged gifts.

Hot punch, Boston brown

Each catkin of the pussywillow represent from 20 to 100 flowers.

During the early stages of the Pacific war the Anopheles mosquito disabled eight times as many soldiers and Marines in the Pacific as the Japanese did. By 1943 after extraordinary effort, fewer than one hundred Army deaths were attributed directly to malaria.

Experiments in the growing of cotton in various colors are being conducted both in the United States and Russia.

bread and cheese straws were served by Mmes. Steve Boruk and Figley, who were hostesses Twenty-five members were present.



Christmas Greetings

It's time for holly and mistletoe, bells and carols, packages and parties once again! We hope you love Christmas as much as we do — and derive as much pleasure from our greeting as we take in saying to you — A VERY MERRY CHRIS'MAS!

First National Bank

Christmas Day

On Christmas Day we repeat the old familiar greeting that, each year, in some mystic way rings fresh and true—"Merry Christmas." Like such words as "hello" and "good-by," there really isn't anything else to say that pulls at our heartstrings as do these old dear words. And so again we say:

Merry Christmas—to the little ones who skip downstairs in the gray dawn to explore their stockings and the wondrous tree and to look at Christmas with the special radiance of youth . . . who lend to the rest of us little glimmers of the real Christmas glamour.

Merry Christmas—to father who'll strain a point any day to give us all the things we want . . . who probably works much too hard and yet keeps younger and more alert because of the responsibility of a family and the competition of business . . . who makes the gesture of tut-tutting all the fuss and feathers yet beams with affection and excitement.

Merry Christmas—to mother who really calls the tune for the holidays and does the planning and pulling together . . . who flutters and bustles radiantly for weeks ahead and undoubtedly has the best and busiest time of all.

Merry Christmas—to the butcher, the baker, the candlestick-maker, not to mention all those who sold us shoes and ships and sealing wax . . . for what would Christmas be without them? For through them we've all been able to share our own little prosperity in the most wholesome way of all—by spending it.

Merry Christmas—to dear friends far and near who've sent us greetings and gifts . . . most especially do we cherish the greetings because even more than gifts they express the true spirit of Christmas.

Merry Christmas—to the droppers-in who come with holiday cheer and friendship . . . who come to our parties or stop by to leave a glass of extra elegant jelly or an original privately invented relish.

Merry Christmas—to ourselves, for that matter. But then we feel pretty sure that we'll have one for we've put so much work and excitement and loving getting-ready into it. For of course we all get out of Christmas just about what we put in.



Those who give themselves grow richer.

The kindly word, the spontaneous smile, the thoughtful deed—those are outward expressions of the goodness inside the hearts and minds of men.

Those of us in the newspaper business must record the little things that make news day by day. Often we wish there were less of pettiness in the world and more of the spirit of Christmas scattered throughout the year. But the day that marks the birth of Jesus brings with it a rebirth of faith and hope and a realization that deep down inside each person there are Christ-like qualities of unselfishness, loyalty and devotion to the highest principles of God and man. It is those qualities which make Christmas the most joyous season of all.

Truly, there is "joy to the world" in abundant evidence of self-giving, of hands clasped in friendship, of hearty good wishes. How insignificant are the little troublesome things of the world in the light of the Christmas spirit that pervades the world!

And so we again join in the gladness of the season to wish all our friends and subscribers

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

Edible Manger In Ukraine Rituals

In the Ukraine an elaborate Christmas Eve supper breaks a 39-day fast during which no meat has been eaten. Twelve courses are served, one for each of the twelve Apostles: buckwheat and mushroom soup, pancakes in flax, prunes, fish, bread, and nuts are included in the menu.

An additional course of honey and porridge is also served: called Koutia, the dish represents the holy crib: the porridge represents the straw—as in the manger—and the Holy Infant is symbolized by honey and fruit: the honey is also considered symbolic of the spirit and blood of the Saviour.

Boston had the first passenger car subway in America.

The safest distance to follow a car is one car-length for every 10 miles of speed.

The Aleutian Islands extend farther west of Seattle than Maine extends east of Seattle.

California contains 80 per cent of the vineyards in the United States.

Surgeons in the 18th and 19th Centuries sometimes intoxicated their patients with alcohol or opium as anesthesia.

Each catkin of the pussy willow represents from 20 to 100 flowers.

Pieces of velveteen make an excellent substitute for chamois. Wash and use for polishing.

OLDEST BIBLE

A Bible, thought to be the oldest extant, was discovered in a Cairo, Egypt, bookstore. Its publication dates to the second century

and contains only the gospel of St. Matthew, letters of St. Paul and some bits of the Old Testament.

England normally imports 75,000,000 cigars from Cuba annually.

Deliberately set fires caused 27 per cent of the forest fires in 1945.

The closest the South pole may be approached by sea is 700 miles.

The Terry County Herald

Not Neutral—Not On The Fence—A Paper With An Opinion And A Purpose

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Faith and Peace

Are Eternal . . .

TWENTY centuries have passed since the inn at Bethlehem was overcrowded because of Caesar Augustus and his census.

The bigwigs who crowded the inn were committed to oblivion by their contemporaries and, except for the census and resultant conditions at Bethlehem, it wouldn't matter too much if Augustus completely vanished from the history books.

It is generally immaterial that, as puppet king of Judea, Herod fortified the kingdom and kept it out of the clutches of Cleopatra, rebuilt the city of Samaria, and endowed several pagan temples long since crumbled into dust. Few people know, and fewer care, that his wife and two sons were murdered at his command. This sort of a Romanized Jew, is remembered chiefly



because of his hypocritical treatment of the Wise Men and because he authorized the slaughter of the Holy Innocents—and even this deed of incredible cruelty might have been forgotten if the Innocents were not associated with the Babe of Bethlehem who grew into the Christ and bequeathed a new philosophy of love and peace to all mankind.

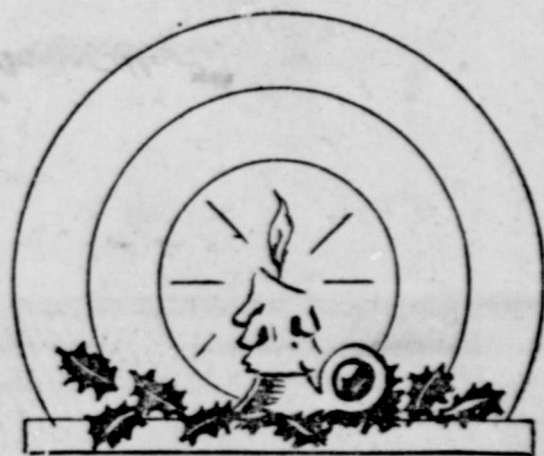
Some men question what has been accomplished during the 20 centuries since Bethlehem.

True enough, some of the records have been written with indelible inks of hatred and prejudice and splattered with much blood; but cynics had best not rest their argument too confidently upon the gory records written or provoked by men who either did not know Christ or openly rejected his commands.

On the other hand, the glad tidings announced to a few shepherds at Bethlehem have inspired courage and faith and love such as no earthly decree or proclamation has ever called forth.

Faith and Peace are eternal quests—and twenty centuries are mere fleeting moments.

St. Lucy Honored Throughout Sweden



St. Lucy's Day, on December 3, inaugurates the Christmas season in Sweden.

On that day the prettiest girl in the household is chosen to impersonate Lucy; very early Christmas morning she will go through the house awakening the household and giving each person a cup of coffee or some sort of sweetened beverage. Her costume is traditionally a white dress with a red sash, and she wears a wire crown entwined with bilberry twigs—similar to the American cranberry—studded with nine candles.

Liturgically, St. Lucy was martyred about 300 A. D. The story goes that Lucy gave her dowry to the Christians—whose courage she admired—instead of turning it over to her fiancé. The enraged young man informed against her and she was condemned to be burned at the stake: unharmed by the flames, she did not die until thrust through with a sword.

Lucy is commemorated somewhat diversely in Switzerland where she is the legendary wife of Father Christmas. Wearing a round cap over her long braids, a laced bodice and a silk apron, she marches around the village with Father Christmas and distributes gifts to the girls while he looks after the boys.

Brooklyn was incorporated with New York City in 1898.



Merry Christmas...

and may all your dreams come true

The sweet trust with which children turn to Santa for fulfillment of their wishes, is the very essence of the season's spirit. In sharing the dreams of childhood and bringing them to life your joy is ours!

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Dairy cows need three-fourths of an ounce of salt a day for each 1,000 pounds of liveweight, and one-third of an ounce for each 10 pounds of milk produced.

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Sixty-five per cent of the world's population live on farms.

Six pounds of good alfalfa hay will furnish enough nutrients for a dairy cow to produce one gallon milk.

In habitants of Alaska and northern Canada use the caribou as a work animal.



Young Economist

I met a young economist in England. His thinking revealed that he would like to see the complete crumbling of the present order and the ultimate nationalization of all England. His discussion showed that he would thoroughly relish failure of "the capitalistic order" in America, which he boldly predicted would surely come within a few years.

Notable thing about this young man is that he is very influential in the Labor government. He talked freely and with spirit, and the enthusiasm he exhibited shows conclusively which school of thought in England is on the defensive. It is unfortunate when Truth and Right are no longer on the crusade, but instead must be called to the defensive.

Influence of Youth

I asked this young economist the secret of the growth of the Socialist party in the United Kingdom. Displaying political acumen which is engendered only from a thorough understanding of reality and a knowledge of facts, this economist said that victory in the last election in close districts came because of the vote of the young people.

"In fact, the percentage of young people who voted the Socialist ticket was greater than the percentage of older people in the ranks of Labor," he told me, adding a fact I knew already: that the growth of Socialism has been more rapid among young people and among skilled workers. The influence of higher education, he stoutly affirmed, was a definite factor in the spread of Socialism throughout the Kingdom.

I did not encourage him in this regard about America, but the parallel was clear. I found myself wishing that our own high schools and colleges were doing a better job of building into the very fiber of American youth a deep appreciation for the fundamental principles of our American way of life, lest our youth some day lead this nation down that same unfortunate road. Strange irony it is, that wealth created by honest work is used in the form of taxes and in grants as means to destroy the philosophy which begot our freedom and our wealth.

Competition Needed

Even the government officials in London do not seem quite sure that the principle of nationalization is sound. Some uncertainty exists, for they are already detecting basic weaknesses. During the week of July 15 a London newspaper quoted the London County Council as saying that the London Transport (a government monopoly operating street-cars and buses) needed competition. In the same week another writer stated his opinion that the British Broadcasting Corporation, the weaknesses of which were at that time under fire in Parliament, needed the competition of other broadcasting companies in England.

Failure of the private enterprise system in America, our young economist said, would soon come because of the inability of business to operate at a loss. This thing the government could do indefinitely, just for the sake of maintaining employment, he affirmed, insisting there is no limit to deficit financing available to government-owned economy.

I have never been able to convince myself that Socialist and Communist minded economists could be sincere in advocating this philosophy, characteristic though it is of their thinking. If the principle were workable, why does not some Communist nation issue a million dollar credit to each of its citizens and let them all enjoy wealth in a nation that cannot go broke?

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Bonchevalier and Tree of Humanity

The tale of Bonchevalier and the tree of humanity, told with minor variations throughout France and Germany, is one of the most charming of all the Christmas tree legends.

Bonchevalier was traveling through a dense forest once upon a Christmas Eve. In the distance one tall evergreen stood apart from all the others; it seemed aglow with lights and, from afar, a star appeared to rest among its topmost branches.

As he drew nearer, Bonchevalier saw that the tree was covered with candles—some standing upright and others inverted. The star at the top seemed to be the vision of a child whose beautiful head was surrounded by a pale amber halo.

Word spread through the village that Bonchevalier had seen a vision,

dreamed a dream, or perhaps experienced a phenomenon. The knight himself admitted that the whole thing seemed incredible; if it was a vision, he could not interpret it; but he was absolutely certain he had seen it and his story was always the same.

Learned citizens of the community questioned him and shook their heads—so did everyone else, except his mother.

The tree of humanity had been revealed to her son, she said proudly, and all the world would be blessed by his vision.

Indeed, Bonchevalier's vision symbolized the tree of humanity; the candles represented persons, the good ones standing upright; the bad ones inverted; and the child at the top was the Infant Jesus who watches over all the world of humanity.

Pilgrim's Progress was written by John Bunyan while he was in Bedford jail, in England, where he had been imprisoned because of his religious beliefs.

The Holland Tunnel, connecting New York City and Jersey City, and built under the Hudson River, is the most expensive automobile road ever built in the country. It is only 1.6 miles long but cost \$48,000,000.

Mark Twain, the famous author, was red headed.

It was Will Rogers who said "Everything is funny as long as it is happening to somebody else."

It was Mark Twain who said "Cauliflower is nothing but cabbage with a college education."

Three sets of American Presidents have had the same last names. They are John Adams and John Quincy Adams; William Henry Harrison and Benjamin Harrison; Theodore Roosevelt and Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Merry CHRISTMAS! We're filled with Christmas cheer and fond thoughts of our good friends, as we send this little greeting all around the town . . . Merry . . . merry Christmas! Ida May — Francise — Mrs. Rhea SHELTON'S

Season's Greetings As the Christmas season unfolds its splendor, we send to all our patrons and friends many good wishes that this Christmas be the merriest of all time! P. R. CATES Accounting and Auditing

1946 GREETINGS from St. Nicholas Have you ever thought of Christmas as a birthday party—a birthday party that goes all over the world at once? That is why Christmas is so joyous! Everybody is a participant in this big, grand, world-wide party, with Santa Claus the host! And here we are, on the Eve of Christmas, sending you our very best wishes for a joyous time at this great Birthday Party. MCKINNEY'S INS. AGENCY

A Joyous Christmas to all May every moment of this joyous holiday season sparkle with gaiety and happiness for you and yours. For your kind patronage of the past may we extend our appreciation and express our desire to continue to serve you faithfully in the future. Jones Dry Goods

Season's Greetings The merriest Christmas and the happiest New Year ever is the very best we can wish our friends, one and all. May the Yuletide season bring you every joy and happiness. Cobb's Dept. Store

Jews Celebrate the Festival of Lights

To the Orthodox Jews, the Christmas period was the "Festival of Lights," called Hanukkah or Chanukah. Jewish history relates that in 165 B. C. a large force of Maccabees met and vanquished an army of Syrians.

Judas Maccabees entered Jerusalem with his army and found it a place of desolation. He began the work of purification and on the 25th day of Kislev it was finished and a sacred light was lit.

In their destruction of the temple the sacred oil was practically exhausted, but they did find a jar which they judged would burn one day. It lasted eight days, therefore each year the Jews decree that the eight days previous to December 25 be celebrated.

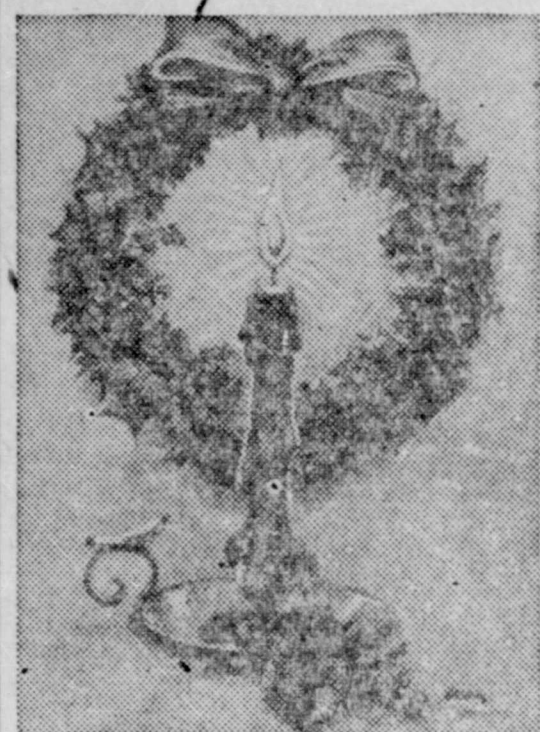
Veterans Administration is operating 24 former Army and Navy hospitals to meet the growing need for hospital space.



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Candles Originally Were Symbols of Light and Joy



Since the beginning of time man has sought to prolong the day and dispel the terrors of darkness with watch-fires, torches, beacons, etc.

According to St. Jerome, candles are used by the Church not so much as a means of dispelling or conquering darkness, but rather as an expression of Christian joy.

Peace, Good-Will

The time draws near the birth of Christ:
The moon is hid; the night is still;
The Christmas bells from hill to hill
Answer each other in the mist.

Four voices of four hamlets round,
From far and near, on mead and moor,
Swell out and fall, as if a door
Were shut between me and the sound.

Each voice four changes on the wind,
That now dilate, and now decrease.
Peace and good-will, good-will and peace,
Peace and good-will, to all mankind.
Tennyson.

—Try A Herald Want Ad—

Greatest Stamps Of Entire World

Officials estimate at least 100,000 lives are saved each year—in America alone—by funds made available by the annual Christmas Seal campaign against tuberculosis.

In 1903, a Danish postal clerk—Einar Holboell, by name—conceived the idea of a voluntary tax on Christmas greeting cards which would benefit the underprivileged. Specifically, Holboell visualized establishment of a fund to build a hospital for tubercular children. The ministry granted Holboell permission to sell his seals at post offices and the Christmas Seal campaign was launched. In many countries, the seal campaign is conducted largely in co-operation with postal authorities and, in some instances, the seals are parts of special postage stamps.



The American Red Cross became interested in the project in 1937 and co-operated with the National Tuberculosis association. To strengthen the nation-wide campaign, the Red Cross and the Tuberculosis association jointly conducted the sale of the seals and, until 1919, the emblem of the Red Cross appeared on the seal.

In 1919, the double-barred cross, international emblem and trademark of the warfare against tuberculosis, was embodied in the design of the seal. In 1920, the Red Cross wished to devote its energies to the annual Roll Call and arrangements were made whereby the sale of the tuberculosis Christmas Seal is conducted exclusively by the Tuberculosis association.



STAR OF THE EAST

Star of the East, that long ago
Brought wise men on their way
Where, angels singing to and fro,
The Child of Bethlehem lay—
Above the Syrian hill afar
Thou shinest out tonight, O Star!

Star of the East, the night were drear,
But for the tender grace
That with thy glory comes to cheer
Earth's loneliest, darkest place;
For by that charity we see
Where there is hope for all—and me.

Star of the East, show us the way
In wisdom undefiled
To seek that manger out and lay
Our gifts before the Child—
To bring our hearts and offer them
Unto our King in Bethlehem!

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American Indians did not refer to their future state as "the happy hunting ground." Application of the term was made by early-day writers as a result of descriptions given them by hunting tribes.

On November 11, 1794 the United States signed a treaty guaranteeing every Indian on the tribal rolls of the Six Nations, six yards of calico annually.

There are 36 columns in the Lincoln Memorial, representing the number of states in the Union at the time of Lincoln's death.

Pedestrians should look first to the left, then to the right, before crossing a street. Traffic coming from the left is the nearest.



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If . . .

Children of Provence, France, reverently recite the following prayer before the Christmas cribs in that vicinity:

- Little Jesus of the Crib—
Give us the virtues of those who surround you.
- Make us as philosophical as the fisherman,
- Carefree as the drummer,
Merry for exploring the world as the troubadour.
- Eager for work as the bugler,
Patient as the spinner,
- Kind as the ass,
Strong as the ox which keeps you warm.
- Give us the sacred leisure of the hunter.
- Give us also the desire of the Shepherd for earthly things,
- The pride of the trade of the knife grinder and the weaver.
- The song of the miller.
- Give us the knowledge of the Magi.
- The cheerfulness of the pigeon,
The impulsiveness of the cock,
The discretion of the snail,
The meekness of the lamb.
- Give us the goodness of bread,
The tenderness of the wild boar,
The salt of the haddock,
The good humor of old wine,
The ardor of the candle,
The purity of a star.
- Propriety of a few of the metaphors may be disputed, nevertheless, nostalgia prompts speculation regarding a world of humanity endowed with the virtues so earnestly and innocently enumerated by the little ones.

Future Foretold By Drowsy Hens

Divinations were an important part of the Christmas festivities in Czarist Russia. After a special family Christmas dinner, the girls of the household placed five piles of grain upon the kitchen floor: each pile was given a name, such as Hope, Ring, Money, Thread and Charcoal. A drowsy hen was fetched from the henhouse and allowed to walk around the kitchen floor and choose a pile of grain. Obviously the hen's choice of Money meant wealth; Ring, foretold a wedding within a year; and Hope, promised the fulfillment of a wish or a long journey. If the sleepy chicken chose the grain designated as Thread, a life of toil was predicted for the marriageable maiden of the household; and Charcoal was considered an omen of death in the family. Old songs were sung to accompany such goings-on, while the girls and women vied to devise complete stories based on the antics of the hen.

Yule Means December
The word "Yule" for Christmas comes from the Anglo-Saxon "geol," meaning December.

Greetings

Each joyful greeting we send carries with it good wishes to add to your Christmas cheer.

Each lit candle and sparkling trimming on the tree reflects our fond thoughts of you throughout the year.

Palace Drug

Minuta Make-Ups
By GABRIELLE



Look your prettiest to greet the New Year! Pin flowers in your hair. Mistletoe, dipped in silver powder, makes a beautiful "frosty" hair decoration! You won't have to stand under the mistletoe—you'll be under it, just in case!

Hunting the Wren
In Old Ireland

Once upon a time in Ireland, the wren was hunted and killed on Christmas morning; a branch of holly and bright ribbons were attached to his body which was carried from house to house by wren boys who sang songs and expected to receive a dole from each household.

The story goes that during the Danish-Irish war, the Danes were resting after an arduous march and the Irish were creeping up quietly. All of a sudden a wren, spying a few crumbs which the drowsy Danish drummer had dropped on the drumhead, swooped down and began to peck at the crumbs. The pecking awakened the boy, who aroused the camp: the Irish, driven off and defeated, blamed the wren.

Modern Irish, ashamed of the once-honored tradition, say the guilty bird may have been a starling or a sparrow anyway, and now welcome the wren to their farms and homes.

Mexico Did Away
With Santa Claus

In 1930 the authorities in Mexico decided to abolish Santa Claus during the Christmas festival as they considered him out of place in a country where snow is seldom seen.

The well-known bearded figure was ousted by Quetzalcoatl, the Indian god, half bird, half snake, who was worshipped by the Aztecs before the Spanish invasion.

In its new Christmas program, the southern country has made a feature of the distribution of presents to thousands of needy children by the plumed serpent, and every year this big-scale present-giving takes place on December 23.

Mince Pies of Deep
Christmas Tradition

No Christmas dinner would be complete without mince pies. While they have long been a part of our Christmas tradition, they originally had a deep symbolic significance.



Patterned after the manger in which Christ was born, they were oblong in shape. The crust, baked a golden brown, represented the gold brought by the Three Wise Men.

Insurance of Marriage
Crippen tells us that the maiden who receives no kisses under the mistletoe will not marry for years.

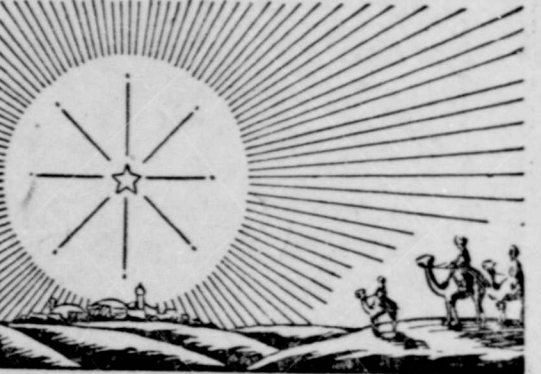
Rail service curtailed by coal shortage. Will that sidetrack John L. Lewis.

Wise Men Patron
Saints of Travelers

The Three Kings of Cologne have become patron saints of travelers, and very appropriately, too, since the Wise Men traveled considerably even after their death.

Biblically we know very little about the Wise Men. Church tradition, based on the three specifically mentioned gifts, has established three Wise Men and identified them as Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar; the Kings of Tarsus, Arabia and Ethiopia, respectively.

Legend advances that on their way to Bethlehem, the Magi met at Ur and St. Matthew states that having adored the Christ Child, they departed into their own country by a different route. Whether each returned to his own country or whether all three journeyed into one country are matters for conjecture. Legend continues that they were baptized, distributed their wealth among the poor, and went about preaching the doctrine of peace and repentance; all three seem to have suffered martyrdom in India at the same time.



In the fourth century Empress Helena, mother of Constantine, arranged for the transfer of their bodies to Constantinople.

When the Greek Emperor was overpowered by the first crusade in 1096, the holy remains were sent to Milan where they were enshrined until the latter part of the 12th century when Frederick Barbarossa ordered their removal to Cologne.

The Archbishop of Cologne adorned the relics with precious jewels and enshrined them within the Cologne Cathedral; in time, anything which touched the skulls of the Three Kings was considered as a charm against accidents, hence, the Wise Men became popular patron saints of travelers.

Brazil, with 2,260,000 square miles, is larger than continental United States.

The last battle of the Civil War was fought a month after Lee surrendered.

Music is served with meals at Louisiana State's athletic training table.

North America, with about one-twelfth of the world's population, uses about one-half of the world's supply of lumber.

Home Town News

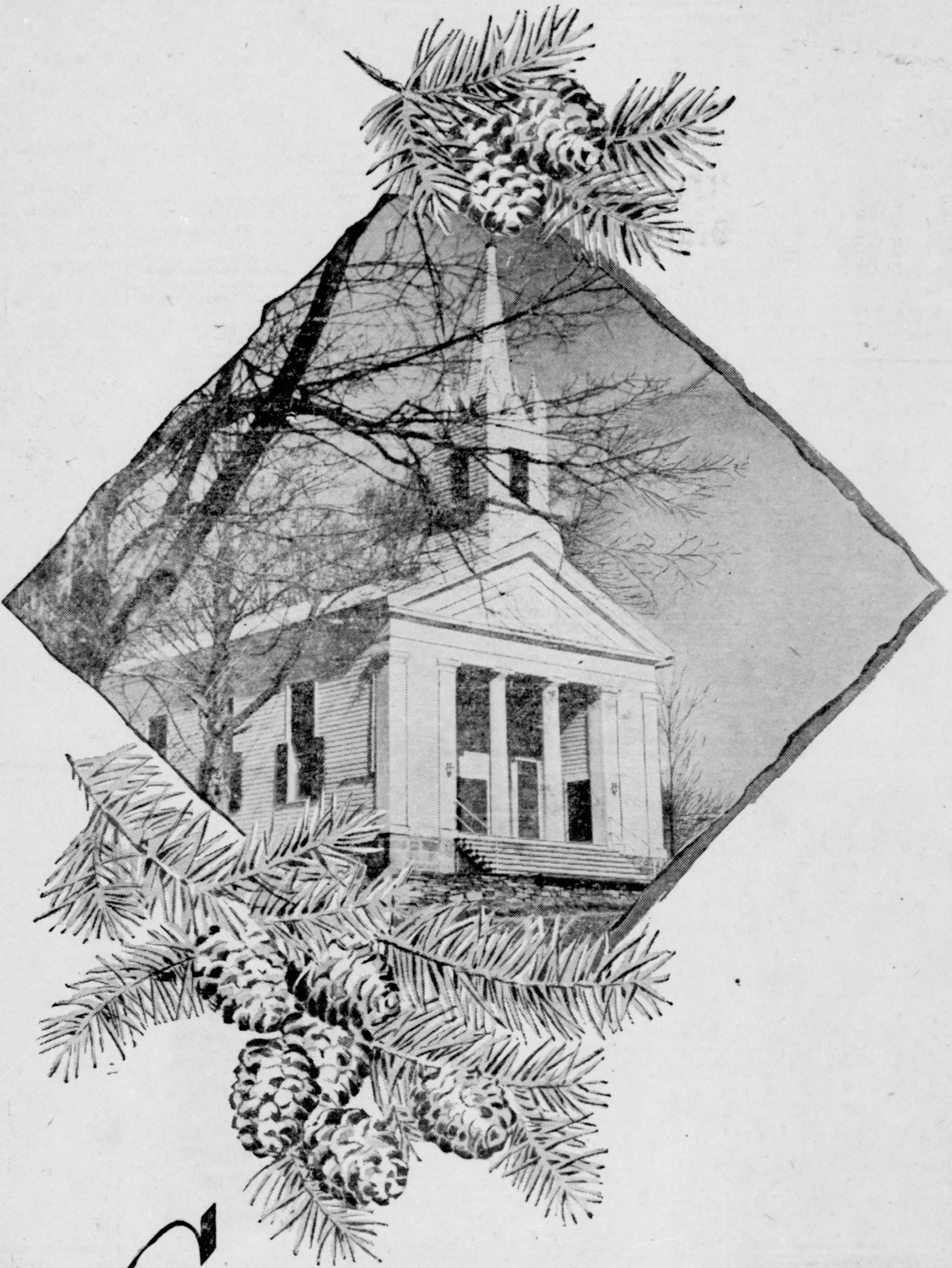
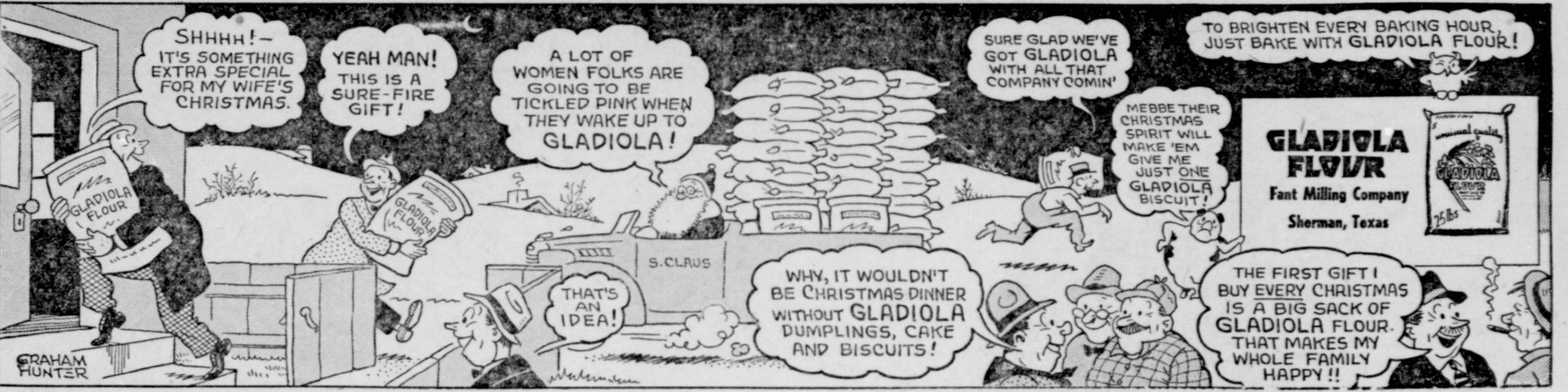


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Miracle Play In Modern Texas Town

LOS PASTORES, the hybrid Spanish-Indian miracle play introduced to Mexico centuries ago by Spanish monks and presented in San Antonio during the Christmas season, is enacted primarily for its spirituality.

A group of amateur actors go from house to house by invitation and because it is traditional that no one prompted by idle curiosity should witness the performance, only the initiated can find the scene of presentation.

Usually someone's back yard becomes the stage; the doorsteps serve as background for the Nacimiento. Manger scene; various objects are set on the stairs; pieces of crockery, tinsel, pin cushions, patron saints—anything the household considers especially beautiful. In the center of the lowest step, the Christ Child (a life-sized doll placed on a platter with divers gaudy candy) is surrounded by plaster shepherds, donkeys, etc.



IN THE GOOD OLD WINTER TIME . . . They are traveling a mile a minute on their water skis at Cypress Gardens, Fla., but Bill Sizle, who hails from Anaheim, Calif. (and if this be treason, make the most of it) finds time to put "the eye" on Nancy Stillely, Florida aquatic star. If the California chamber of commerce wants to know why Bill is vacationing in Florida, away from his own sun-kissed balliwick, the Florida chamber of commerce will answer.

The Holy Thorn Of Glastonbury

In honor of the Hawthorn, which legendarily shielded Christ while he rested in the woods before the crucifixion, Joseph of Arimathea chose a thorn staff when he started on his long journey to Britain shortly after the death of Christ. Arriving at last at his new home in Glastonbury, Joseph stuck his walking stick into the ground; the staff began to grow and soon acquired the habit of producing flowers each Christmas Eve.



The first literary mention of the thorn is contained in Hearne's History and Antiquities of Glastonbury, published in 1722. In this work, Mr. Eyston states: "Whether it sprang from St. Joseph of Arimathea's dry staff, I cannot find, but beyond all dispute it sprang up miraculously."

When Britain adopted the Gregorian calendar in 1753, 2,000 persons assembled at Glastonbury on December 25—new style—to see if the Holy Thorn would bloom in agreement with the new calendar; when it did not, many refused to participate in the usual observances of Christmas. The evil of changing calendars was proven when the thorn blossomed on January 5—Christmas Eve—old style—and many ministers in the vicinity of Glastonbury appealed their congregations by announcing that Christmas would be observed according to the old calendar.

A cutting of the Glastonbury thorn was brought to America in 1900 and planted near St. Alban's school in Washington, D. C., by the late Right Rev. Henry Gates Satterlee. The cutting grew into a tree, blossoming for the first time in December, 1918; since then, it has blossomed each year at Christmas-time and attracts thousands of visitors annually.

Southwestern Wyoming has approximately 195,000 sheep.

Truman to extend arm of friendship to Congress. So did Joe Louis before he tore into Billy Conn.

Letter To Santa

"I wrote a note to Santa Claus I thought it would be fun. I said I'd like a lot of things Especially a gun.

But Father shook his head and said That wise old Santa knew I'd shoot myself or someone else And that would never do. So then I wrote and asked him for A sleigh with jingle bells, An auto, and a train of cars, And a pound of caramels. But sister May she cried Oh, don't ask for all those noisy toys

And Santa knows that candy Ain't good for little boys. So then I wrote and asked him for A music box to play And a watch just like my father's To tell the time of day. But brother Tom he laughed and said

Your brain must be askew, Old Santa never brings such things To little kids like you. At first I felt discouraged But now I'm not because My mother says that no one knows The mind of Santa Claus. She says it's safe to let him bring Whatever he thinks best, And mother has, I truly think, More sense than all the rest."

Sumatra produces pepper, sisal, tobacco, rubber and oil.

Swarthmore college was founded in 1864.

California Has Mile Long Avenue of Lighted Trees

Merry Christmas



The trees comprising the mile long Avenue of Christmas Trees in Altadena, Calif., are descendants of the Deodar Cedars of India which grow upon the slopes of the Himalayas.

While traveling in India in 1882, Capt. Frederick J. Woodbury gathered the seeds which he planted later on his ranch in California. When the seedlings were about two feet tall, the captain's sons transplanted them to line the wire driveway leading to the ranch residence.

The once private driveway at the foot of the Sierra mountains is now a busy public thoroughfare and Captain Woodbury's seedlings, luminated each year at Christmas, attract thousands of visitors annually.

If cars keep inflating, how will we get them into our garage?



A tent opposite the Nacimiento gives evidence of representing hell; a bonfire has been built within and live devils emerge therefrom.

Th play has no definite time for beginning, but finally, a girl starts to walk back and forth reciting. Overdressed shepherds drone a seemingly endless song. Ermitano, the comic relief, carrying a rosary of spools, also represents the soul of its earthly journey and is often accompanied by the white winged Archangel Gabriel.

It is a never-ending performance: seven devils, six in sequined black with animal masks and the fork-tailed Lucifer in brilliant red, are finally vanquished; likewise, a wild Indian is overcome and kisses the Christ Child; the shepherds and all in attendance kiss the Child, solemnly and as slowly as possible.

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Karkantzari's Fear Of Burned Leather

Christmas fires burn brightly in Greek households throughout the holiday season and Macedonians save their old shoes for the purpose of burning them at Christmas time since the odor of burning leather is said to be offensive to the Karkantzari.

The Karkantzari are mysterious creatures which wander about the rural communities of Greece between Christmas and Epiphany. Dreaded because their gremlin-like tricks make life generally miserable for everybody, the Karkantzari are particularly fond of attacking and beating persons who are a bit drowsy after an unusually hearty meal.

Of course, the orthodox Greek priest effectively banishes the Karkantzari when he comes around with his copper vessel of holy water and cross entwined with sprigs of basil. The priest dips the cross into the vessel and sprinkles each room with the holy water—after which the Karkantzari are expected to disappear and not return until the following Christmas.

Original Vitamin Factor In Worcestershire, mistletoe was thought to render cattle prolific and avert bad luck from the dairy herd

TRY A HERALD WANT AD



SWEDISH HEIR . . . Six-month-old Prince Carl Gustaf, third in line of succession to the Swedish throne, poses for first photo. The young prince is the first son of Prince Gustaf Adolf and Princess Sibylla.

"Man Dies and Leaves 17 Farms." — Headline. One can scarcely blame him.

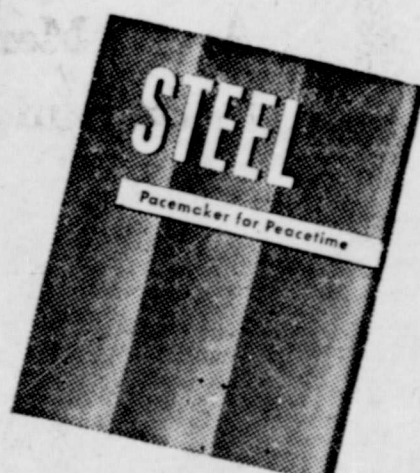
The Mississippi flood in 1927 inundated more than 20,000 square miles of land in seven states.

Do you think steel profits are big?

Recently in a nation-wide poll most people guessed that steel profits were about 20 cents on each dollar of sales. They said 10 cents would be about right.

Actually, for the past ten years steel company profits have averaged less than 5 cents on each dollar of sales.

Although profits continue low, wages, employment and production are near record levels.



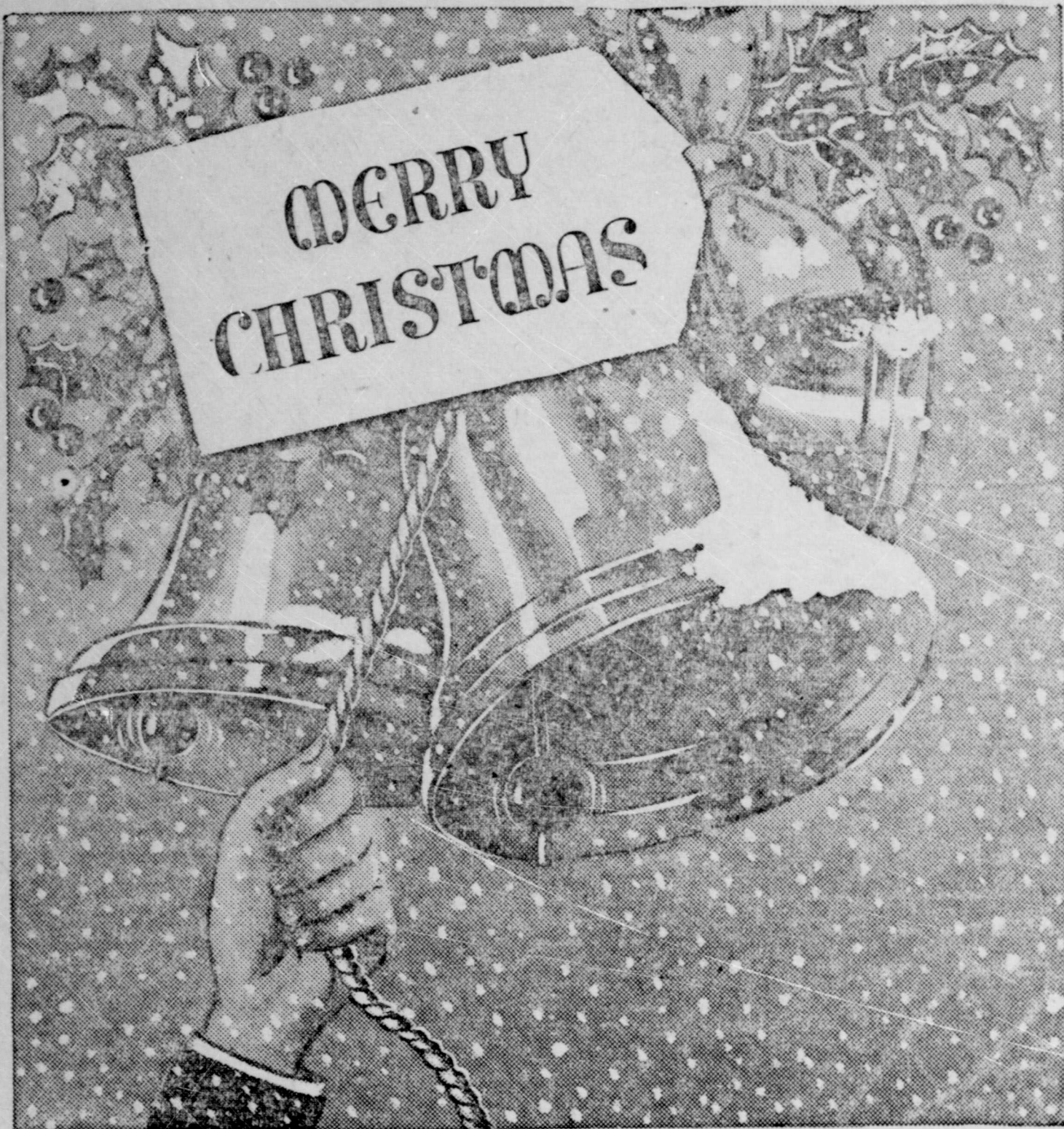
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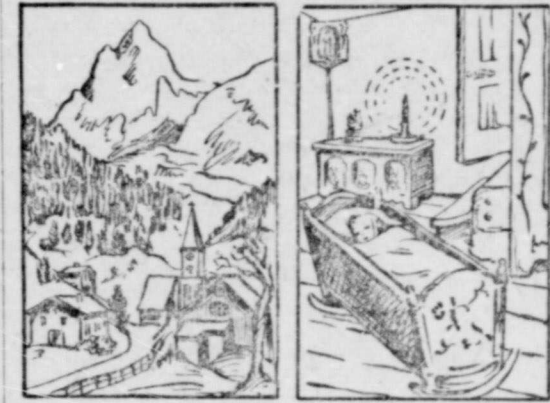
Greetings are peeling your way, for we are tolling the golden bells of the Yuletide Season to wish everyone the Merriest, Gayest and Most Jubilant Christmas ever.

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Christmas Trees, Cribs and Ceppi

Christmas trees and cribs, with in respective spheres of influence, provide focal points for observances of the season.

Various legends claim to tell the story of the first Christmas tree; actually, evergreen decorations were so closely associated with pagan celebrations that they were banned by many ecclesiastics of the early church.



According to literature, the first Christmas tree was set up at Strasburg, Germany, in 1604; even then, the cry rose against heathen customs and, as late as 1851, the Rev. Henry Schwan was severely criticized for setting up a Christmas tree in his church in Cleveland, Ohio.

St. Francis of Assisi received special permission from the pope to present a tableau of the nativity scene. This first crib, set up at Greccio, Italy, in 1223, was an immediate sensation; the renaissance endowed the cribs with ornate pagentry and, modernly, the crib is to southern Europe and Catholic countries what the tree is to America and northern lands.

Eighteenth century Italians were fond of a fantastic decoration called the Ceppo. Pyramidal in construction, the Ceppi were made on a framework of lathes with transverse shelves rising to three or four stories, depending on the over-all size of the Ceppo.

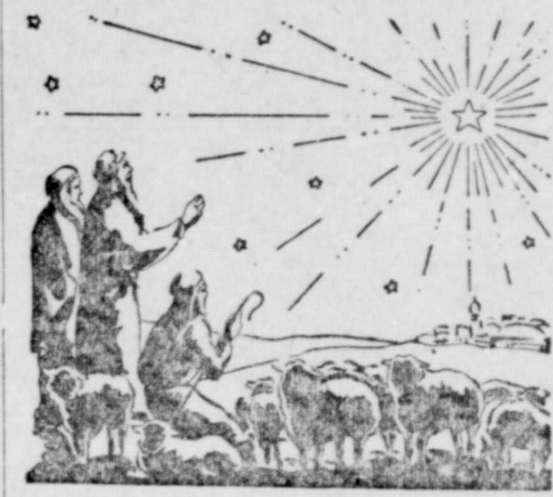
The whole thing was covered with colored paper, tufts, tassels, fringes, tiny pine cones, and little flags; a manger scene was represented on the lowest shelf, while the upper ones were covered with small gifts, etc.; wax tapers were placed along the sides and a large gilt cone ornamented the top. Although the original designer probably never saw a Christmas tree, the Ceppo—aided by a little imagination—bridges the gap between Christmas cribs and trees.

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Star of Bethlehem Phenomenon of Age

The Star of Bethlehem has been the subject of extensive research and discussion.

Modern astronomers have considered several natural phenomenon theories without attaching too much weight to any such hypothesis.



Skeptics regard the whole thing as mere invention, colored with Oriental imagery, designed to honor Christ; and faith accepts the star as the supernatural phenomenon which proclaimed the birth of Jesus.

The first chapter of the gospel according to St. Matthew begins:

"The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham . . ."

And confirming Bethlehem, as the city of David, the angel of the Lord declared:

"For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a SAVIOUR which is CHRIST the Lord." St. Luke 2:11.

Considering tradition, which accepts that King David's shield formed a six-pointed star, the Star of Bethlehem appropriately . . . stood over where the young Child was," St. Matthew 2:9.

Used As Good Luck Charm
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Christmas Poem



The time draws near the birth of Christ. The moon is hid; the night is still; The Christmas bells from hill to hill Answer each other in the mist.

Four voices of four hamlets round. From far and near, on mead and moor, Swell out and fall, as if a door Were shut between me and the sound.

Each voice four changes on the wind, That now dilate, and now decrease, Peace and good-will, good-will and peace, Peace and good-will, to all mankind. —Tennyson.

John Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress has been translated into more than 100 languages and dialects.

Scurvy, pellagra, and beriberi are three of the recognized diseases that are directly traceable to lack of sufficient vitamins in food.

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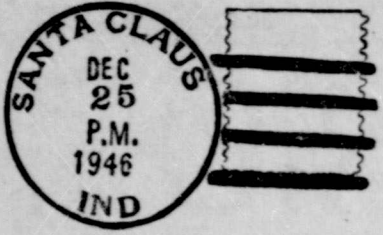
Be glad that it's Christmas because of the pleasure you derive in giving — and the delight you feel in receiving gifts that tingle with the spirit of this great holiday season.

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Be glad that it's Christmas because holly and evergreen, mistletoe and candlelight make a cheering sight — and greeting cards are a joy to collect! Here is our message to add to your collection — "Merry Christmas!"

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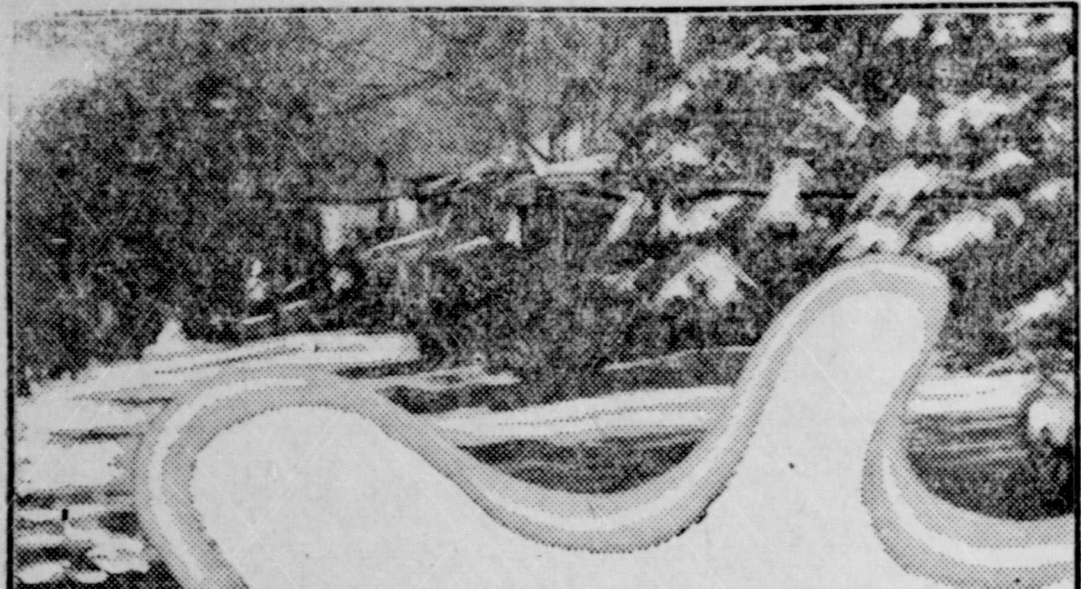
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Good Little Girls and
Good Little Boys

Everywhere.

Good Little Girls and Boys Everywhere: Your old friend Santa has received your letters. While he could not answer them all from Santa Claus, Ind., he wants you to know that he is watching over you and knows you will become stronger in every way before next Christmas.



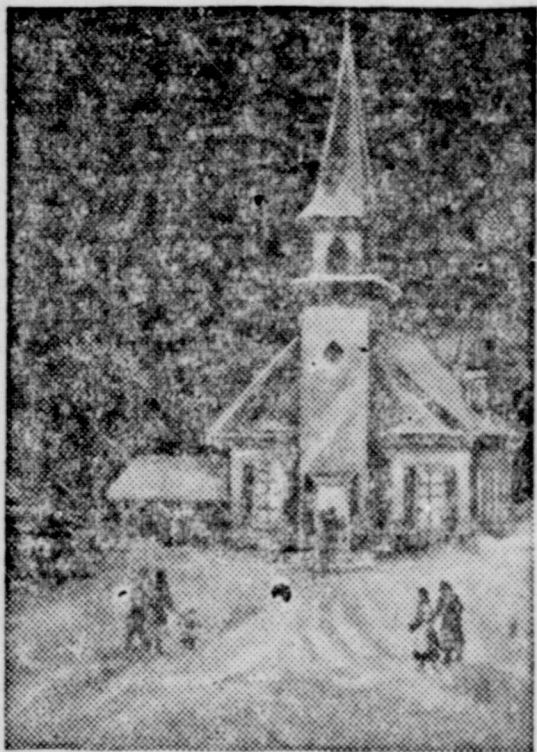
BEST WISHES

The doorway to hospitality opens cheerfully to admit the spirit of Christmas! We welcome all our friends to partake of the many joyous greetings we extend on this happy occasion.

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'White Christmas,' Modern Day Carol

Irving Berlin's "White Christmas" has definitely joined the procession of Christmas music! Lest we hesitate to admit so recent a creation to the inner sanctum of cherished traditions, let's see just how old some of our Christmas favorites really are.



Denmark launched the annual Christmas Seal campaign against tuberculosis in 1904; Dickens' "Christmas Carol" was written in 1843; Samuel Clement Moore wrote "The Night Before Christmas" in 1822; W. C. Dobson, one of Queen Victoria's favorite artists, dispatched the first Christmas card in 1845, and, historically, the first Christmas tree was set up in 1604.

One can imagine the first Christmas carol—the "Gloria in Excelsis" of the angels. However, of our popular Christmas carols today, "Adeste Fideles" is undoubtedly the oldest. Its origin is controversial: some say it was a graduate of the Cistercians, others date its composition variously—from 1250 to 1680. Even accepting 1630, "O Come All Ye Faithful" antedates—for example—"Hark, The Herald Angels Sing" (1730), "Silent Night" (1818), and "O Little Town of Bethlehem" (1863).

There's a lot of Christmas tied up in the confident expectancy of childhood and the nostalgic memories of grown-ups; so,

"May your days be merry and bright
And may all your Christmases be white."

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Saint Nicholas Day in Holland

When Christmas rolls around in Holland, it is quietly and religiously observed: St. Nicholas Day, December 6, is the day of gift-giving and jollification.

For weeks, life-sized figures of St. Nicholas have decorated shop windows and men dressed as Nicholas have stood in front of business establishments, and driven around in horse-drawn carts delivering parcels.

At last the great day arrives: if there are several children in the household, sometimes they are gathered together from neighboring households, Bishop Nicholas (dressed in full vestments and accompanied by his Moorish servant) attends the children's party and impresses them by his knowledge of their shortcomings and chides them fatherly before distributing the trinkets and gifts he has brought for them.

After the youngsters have had their fun, the grown-ups sit around a festive table and open their surprises. Small gifts are baked in loaves of bread, packed in enormous crates, wrapped in bales of paper—each wrapper directing the present to a different person; the longer the donor and final recipient remain unknown, the greater the general jollification.

Indicative of the spirit of the season, packages containing gifts are often entrusted to strange passers-by who are instructed to leave the parcel on such and such a doorstep and ring the bell.

Gladiolus and other bulbs should be protected during winter months by a heavy mulch.

On October 1, 11,486,000 persons were working on farms in the United States.

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SEASON'S GREETINGS




The candles burn no more warmly than the spirit of our wishes for your Christmas happiness. To all our many friends we say "A very Merry Christmas to you and yours."

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It is with the deepest sincerity that we extend our best wishes to all our friends this glorious Christmas. May your every wish be fulfilled and may the joys that fill your hearts serve as happy memories in the many months to come.

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The groundhog stores no food for his winter hibernation, but lives on the excess body fat accumulated under his skin during the warmer months.



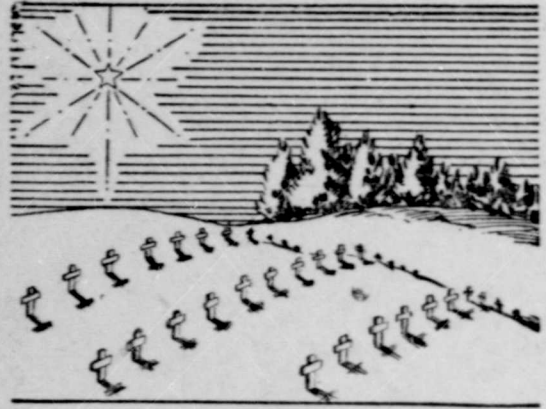
Merry Christmas

To one and all go our sincerest and best wishes for this Yuletide season. Happiness, good health, good cheer and the merriest of Christmases to everyone.

PEG'S

Leading Carols

By LYN CONNELLY
A SONG which made its appearance in 1942 entitled "White Christmas," is in its fourth year and well on its way to permanent recognition as a Christmas favorite.



The amazing popularity of "White Christmas" as a yuletide song reached its peak last year when a poll conducted to establish the favorite carol of servicemen revealed that 22 per cent of the votes went to this early war song written especially for the occasion by Irving Berlin, graduate of Tin Pan Alley.

The birth of the song was entirely by accident despite rumors to the contrary which attribute its conception to the war. Actually, it was composed in 1940. A Hollywood studio had an idea for a motion picture to be called "Holiday Inn," co-starring Fred Astaire and Bing Crosby. The theme of the picture was based on the holidays of the year and a song was needed to represent each holiday. Irving Berlin was contracted for the compositions. The picture, released in 1942, was synonymous with our second wartime Christmas, and in that year the song sold one million copies in four months. Although nothing is done on the part of the publishers to exploit the song, it automatically rings the register each year as the holiday season approaches. Berlin calls it his favorite song, with the exception of his "God Bless America" written during World War I. "It's difficult to predict a song's future," says Berlin, "but judging from its past, I would say "White Christmas" has a very good chance of becoming a permanent song along with other Christmas carols."

LITTLE OL' SANTA

The little ol' santa propped under our tree . . . is little the worse for wear . . . he's lost a leg and an arm, you see . . . but no one seems to care. Not that we're unsympathetic, rather, we are just a bit nostalgic.

Time was when our santa, bright and new, benignly welcomed Tommy and Sue . . . as they tiptoed downstairs to see . . . their presents spread beneath the tree . . . very early Christmas morning.

The Tommy and Sue have outgrown their toys . . . and entwined their hearts with grown-up joys . . . that little ol' santa, propped under the tree, symbolizes Christmas—as Christmas ought to be . . . with toys for children, good will among men . . . on earth, Peace dawning.

Dorothea Waitzmann.

Day of Days

MARY CRANE emptied the last tub and stood it against the shed to drain, sighing her thanks that if she must wash clothes on Christmas Day the job was at least over and done with by noon. She had just returned to the kitchen when a knock came at the door. It was her neighbor, Hattie Jamieson, decked out in her finest.

"Aren't you the one," Hattie exclaimed, "washing clothes on Christmas Day?"

Mary conceded it wasn't the best way to pass the day, but added that it must be done.

"I wonder if you'd do me a favor?" Hattie asked. "John and Fanny have asked us to come to town for Christmas dinner and the tree tonight. You know, times were a little tough for Henry and me this year, so I took those two little State orphans to board. Now, I don't want to leave them at home alone, and Fanny wouldn't want them to come mingle with her youngsters." She sighed faintly. "Would you let them come stay with you for the evening?"

"Why, of course," Mary replied, smiling. "It will make Christmas for me, who was spendin' it alone. What time will they come?"

"Fanny's sending the car for us about five o'clock, and we'll drop them off here on the way."

After Hattie had left, Mary mused that she didn't suppose the Lord thought Fanny's children too good to mingle with these two orphans, but after a moment she realized there was much to be done. By five o'clock she had walked to the store and spent her few pennies on two tiny pair of red mittens, which were now hanging on the little spruce tree Mary had cut in the back yard. And in the kitchen a hot, hearty supper was waiting.

Mary sat in the living room, waiting. "Lucky I did that extra washing today, so I feel justified spending those pennies on the youngsters. Those children must have a Christmas, and maybe—" she sighed—"I shan't have a home another year!" Waiting there in the old rocker, her head dropped slowly, and Mary Crane fell asleep.

"One thing I'd like to do before dinner," rich old Andrew Craig said to his wife. "S'pose there's time? You remember Mary Crane had some tough luck a few years back. She borrowed money from the bank on her house and couldn't keep up the payments. Well, the directors decided not to give her any more time.



"All tall and bright and—ah—beautiful."

"I couldn't help remembering our lean years, Sue, when Mary was our neighbor and worked day and night to pull you through pneumonia. So I just gathered in that debt—it was only a few hundreds—and had some papers made out to Mary. I'd kind of like to take them out to her on Christmas night."

Sue pulled his head down and kissed him. "It will take just 10 minutes to pack a basket for you to take along," she reckoned swiftly. "If you drive there and back in half an hour, you can do it. Remember, we have guests coming!"

It was snowing when Andrew alighted from the car. A lamp showed him Mary's kitchen through the window, the cheery tree, and the sleeping old lady. He tip-toed in and placed his basket on the table, papers on top. The latching of the door aroused Mary.

Her small guests rushed in a few minutes later to find Mary holding the papers to her heart, her face alight with joy.

"Merry Christmas, Mary," cried the little girl. "There was a man on your steps when we came down the lane. We saw him plain as could be!"

"You're right," said Mary. "Andrew Craig is a man, if ever there was one."

"Not the man in the fur coat," insisted the child. "It was another just behind him. All tall and bright and—ah—beautiful."

"Well," said Mary. "I'm not surprised. Some folks might say it was shadows and lamplight and snowflakes, but"—tapping the papers—"wherever there's things like this goin' on Christmas night, I'm persuaded He's there!"



WHITE HOUSE CHRISTMAS . . . The White House Christmas tree in the East Room. Presents are for the children of White House employees.

Christmas Was At One Time Illegal

The Puritans disliked the celebration of Christmas, preferring their own celebration of Thanksgiving.

In 1539 the high court of Massachusetts held that "anybody who is found observing, by abstinence from labor, feasting or any other way such day as Christmas Day shall for each and every offense be fined five shillings."

Gives Strength to Wrestler
In Holstein it is believed that it is not only a cure for all green wounds, but that it will insure success in the chase and give strength to the wrestler, if mistletoe is worn.

Deciphers Story of Old Syrian Tablet

A scholar at Yale university recently translated an inscription on a clay tablet found in Northern Syria which comprised "the oldest known narrative of the miraculous birth of an exceptional child," antedating similar tales familiar in Old Testament literature.

The ancient tablet was one of several unearthed during a series of archeological expeditions begun in 1929 at Ras Shamra, the site of ancient Ugarit, and the translation was made by Dr. Julian J. Obermann, director of Judaica research at Yale.

He said the inscription, in cuneiform alphabet, formed the prologue of a Canaanite saga about a certain Daniel, who lived more than 1,000 years before his namesake who invaded the lions' den, and how he begat a son named Aqhat.

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Economist says 120 families own the whole country. But the Internal Revenue man will still bill the rest of us.

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Some farms in Russia are said at last to be on the profit motive principle. That's because they've at last started making a profit.

The electrical manufacturing industry, says a Twentieth Century Fund study, covers about 170 subdivisions and over 300,000 distinguishable products.

Foods have been frozen by industrial processes since the beginning of this century, with the greatest strides made in the last few years.

RAIN AND FOG

Umnak, one of the important Aleutian islands, averages 250 rainy days a year, with dense fog on many of the days when no rain falls.

The plateau at the South Pole is 8,500 feet above sea level.

Cuba is the largest island of the Greater Antilles group.

"Lousy" became a slang term almost a hundred years ago, during the California gold rush.

Isa Lake, in Yellowstone national park, sends some of its waters to the Atlantic and some to the Pacific.

Cattle have contributed meat to the food supply of man from the earliest time.

Of the 3,000,000 electrified farms in America, 17 per cent are located in Ohio, Michigan and Pennsylvania, the so-called "Golden Crescent" states.

The subways, street cars and trackless trolley coaches of America consume more than 7,019,000,000 kilowatt hours of electricity a year.

Graham bread, the forerunner of whole wheat bread today, was named after Sylvester Graham who devoted his life to the cause of better bread.

It is said that trees growing on the northern side of a hill produce more durable lumber than those on the southern side.

Meat tenderness is associated with the diameter of the muscle fiber. The smaller the fiber, the tenderer the meat.

The Dutch introduced buckwheat into the colonies on Manhattan Island and raised it there as early as 1625.

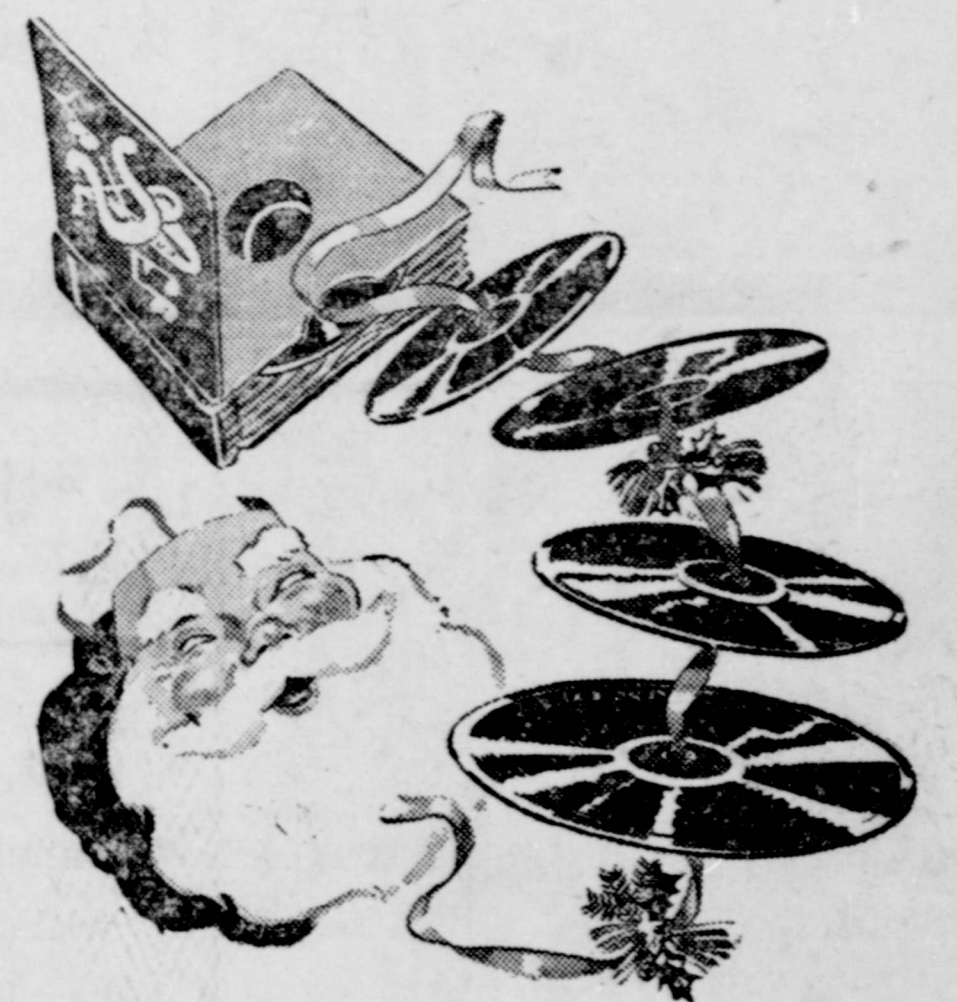
To preserve pillows, never beat them. Instead fluff 'em each day to force air in about the feathers.

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