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News to Print Two Holiday Issues Earlier in Week

The next two issues of the News will be published early in order to make the mail due to holidays being on publication day. The Christmas issue will be published Tuesday, December 23, and mailed December 24. All social, club and church news must be in the News office by noon Monday, December 22.

Also, the New Year's edition will be published Tuesday, December 30, and mailed Wednesday, December 31, with copy closing much earlier.

Cooperation of all persons will be appreciated for these issues of the News.

FARMERS URGED TO SIGN EASEMENT FOR RURAL TELEPHONE

All farmers who have received easements to be signed for rural telephone lines are urged to sign them at once and mail them to REA office at Tulia, Texas.

Arthur Arnold, who is one of the directors working on easements said that everything was ready to start work on the rural telephone project just as soon as all easements were in.

Funeral Services Held Tuesday for Mrs. Pearl Simpson

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the First Baptist Church for Mrs. Pearl Bomar Simpson, age 59, conducted by Rev. G. A. Elrod, pastor of First Baptist Church. Interment was made in Silverton Cemetery under direction of Douglas Funeral Home.

Mrs. Simpson had been in failing health for a number of years. She suffered a heart attack recently and was moved to St. Mary Hospital at Lubbock where she passed away December 15, 1952.

Mrs. Simpson was born September 23, 1893 at Silverton, Texas and had lived here most of her life. She was a member of the First Baptist Church. She was also a teacher in the Silverton and the surrounding rural schools for many years.

Deceased is survived by three brothers and one sister, D. O. Bomar, Lubbock; Wiley V. Bomar and Lee D. Bomar, Silverton; Mrs. Bill Shives, of Tulia. She is also survived by twenty-four nieces and nephews. Two brothers, Emmitt and Tom preceded her in death.

Cerebral Palsied Children Clinic January 12

A clinic for the examination of cerebral palsied children will be held Monday, January 12, at the Cerebral Palsy Treatment Center, 3502 Avenue N, Lubbock.

Specialists present to examine children will be: Dr. E. T. Driscoll, Midland, Dr. R. Q. Lewis, Lubbock, and Dr. R. E. Donnell, Plainview, orthopedists; Dr. J. C. Breaud, Lubbock, dentist; Dr. E. E. Moss, Lubbock, eye specialist; and Dr. Pauline Miller, Lubbock, pediatrician.

Parents who plan to bring children to the clinic are requested to register the children at the Center before the date of the clinic. Information regarding the clinic may be obtained by writing Dr. Esther Snell, Director, or calling Lubbock 5-6541.

Last Rites Held For Mrs. Donna Patton Sunday Afternoon

Funeral services for Mrs. Donna Patton, age 89, were conducted Sunday, December 14, at 2 o'clock at the First Baptist Church, by Earl I. Cantwell, Church of Christ Minister, assisted by Rev. G. A. Elrod, pastor First Baptist Church. Interment was made in the Silverton Cemetery under direction of Douglas Funeral Home.

Mrs. Patton was visiting her daughter, Mrs. Myrtle Evans, in Phoenix, Arizona, when she became ill. She was carried to Desert Mission Hospital, Phoenix, where she passed away December 9, 1952. The body was returned to Silverton for last rites and burial.

Mrs. Patton was born April 22, 1863 at Springfield, Illinois. She moved to Texas while still a young girl. She was married to J. H. (Jack) Patton, in 1886 at Grandbury, Texas. She moved with her husband to Silverton in 1906 where she resided, with the exception of the last few months she spent in Arizona and California with her daughters. Mrs. Patton's husband preceded her in death several years. She was the mother of 11 children, six of whom survive. Mrs. Patton was a member of the First Christian Church for fifty-six years.

Survivors include Mrs. H. E. Fowler, Silverton; Mrs. Myrtle Evans, Phoenix, Arizona; Otis Patton, Perryton; Raymond Patton, Beaumont; Mrs. Noah Amason, Canyon; Mrs. Irene Iby, Azusa, California, one sister, Mrs. Josi Richards, Eastland, Texas; All of the children were present for the funeral except a daughter, Mrs. Iby. Also surviving are seventeen grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were: Joe O'Neal, Bailey Childress, Floyd Wood, Sam Hunt, Bud McMinn, A. H. Jackson, F. C. Gatewood and Shelby Haynes.

NOTICE TO LIVESTOCK OWNERS!

The City of Silverton has had numerous complaints about livestock running loose in the city and damaging people's property. There is a City Ordinance against livestock running loose inside the city limits. If people who's stock is running loose do not take care of their stock and see to it that they are at all time kept up, the city will have to enforce the City Ordinance and forbid them from keeping their livestock in town.

Your cooperation is asked by the City of Silverton.

ALVIN REDIN, MAYOR.
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KEEPING CHRISTMAS

by
Henry Van Dyke

Are you willing to forget what you have done for other people, and to remember what other people have done for you; to ignore what the world owes you, and to think what you owe the world; to put your rights in the background, and your duties in the middle distance, and your chances to do a little more than your duty in the foreground; to see that your fellow-men are just as real as you are, and try to look behind their faces to their hearts, hungry for joy; to own that probably the only good reason for your existence is not what you are going to get out of life, but what you are going to give to life; to close your book on complaints against the management of the universe, and look around you for a place where you can sow a few seeds of happiness—are you willing to do these things even for a day? Then you can keep Christmas.



FULL REHEARSAL FOR THE BIG DAY . . . Robert wanted Nick, the dog, to have dinner with him at his private table, but Dad and Mom were not enthusiastic until Robert demonstrated that Nick's table manners are impeccable. He did it with a dress rehearsal, which you see here. Nick seems to be enjoying nonchalantly an after dinner cigarette.

Funeral Held Here Saturday for G. C. Boydston

Last rites were held Saturday afternoon at the First Baptist Church for G. C. Boydston, age 61, conducted by Rev. G. A. Elrod, pastor of the local church.

Interment was made in Silverton Cemetery under direction of Douglas Funeral Home.

G. C. Boydston was born December 4, 1891, at Caddo, Oklahoma, the son of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Boydston. He moved from Oklahoma five years ago to Silverton, Texas, where he resided until a few months ago. He was recently stricken ill and carried to a hospital in Oklahoma City where he passed away December 10, 1952.

Mr. Boydston was converted when a young man and joined the Methodist church.

Survivors are his wife, three sons and two daughters. They are Harron Boydston, Fort Worth, Texas; J. B. Boydston, Marion B. Boydston, Tulia; Mrs. Georgia Richardson, Bentley, Oklahoma; Mrs. Cleo Beams, Tulia; Mrs. Beatrice Jones, Silverton, Texas; Twenty nine grandchildren, two brothers and two sisters, Tom Boydston, Caddo, Oklahoma; Fred Boydston, Johnston, Kansas; Mrs. Carrie Vincent, Houston, Texas; Mrs. Early Zion, Durant, Oklahoma, step-son W. F. Radford, Oklahoma City.

Mrs. O. T. Bundy will leave Thursday for Midland where she will join the Mast family, all will go to Mission, Texas, to spend Christmas with the Virgil Ballard's. Mrs. Bundy will spend the month of January in the valley with her daughter and family.

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT SPONSOR CHRISTMAS DANCES

The Silverton Volunteer Fire Department is sponsoring two dances during the holidays at the Firemen's Hall. The dates will be December 20, and December 24. Music will be furnished by the Boys of Golden West, of Amarillo.

SCHOOL CHORUS WILL PRESENT PROGRAM DEC. 18

The Silverton Elementary Chorus, Junior High School chorus and high school chorus will present a Christmas candle light service at First Baptist church, on Thursday evening, December 18, at 7:30 p. m. The public is cordially invited.

PFC. CARROLL D. BROWN ARRIVED IN KOREA DEC. 5

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Brown received word Sunday from their son, Pfc. Carroll D. Brown, that he landed in Korea on December 5. Carroll's address is: Pfc. Carroll D. Brown, 1208301 2nd. Bn. 1st. Marine Reg. 1st. Marine Div. F. M. F. c-o Fleet Postmaster, San Francisco, California.

Mrs. Perry Thomas, Sr., returned home Sunday from Oklahoma City where she visited her son, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Thomas the past three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bomar and Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Tate and Carrie Carol, spent the weekend in Clarendon visiting Mr. and Mrs. Rex Long.

Mr. and Mrs. Bertal Hughes attended the funeral of her uncle, W. L. Crawford in Memphis, Texas, Wednesday afternoon, December 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Davis will leave Sunday for Sulphur, Oklahoma, where they will spend the holidays visiting friends and taking the mineral baths.

Silverton School Will Have 2 Weeks Holiday Vacation

M. G. Moreland, Superintendent of Silverton Independent School announced the school will give the students a two week holiday vacation this year. School will dismiss Friday afternoon, December 19 and take up again on Monday, January 5, 1952.

This will give the students a nice long vacation, in fact, just about the longest Christmas holiday the school has had in several years.

Bale Number 3886 Reached at Local Gin Wednesday

A check with the local gin early Wednesday morning revealed they had received and ginned 3886 bales of this seasons cotton up to that time. There is still some cotton to be harvested but the bulk of the crop is in. Nice, open weather is prevailing and harvest continues.

WATTERS — ALLARD

Miss Sybil Watters, daughter of Mr. Bill Watters became the bride of Joe Lynn Allard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Allard, Sunday afternoon, December 14, at 7:00 p. m. in the Baptist parsonage at Clovis, New Mexico.

Those attending the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Bobby McWilliams, Silverton; Miss Jean Pigg, Quitaque; Mr. J. A. Welch, Flomot, Miss Gay Merrell and Billy McWilliams, of Silverton.

Mrs. Allard finished Silverton High School in 1949 and has made her home with Bobby Edwards for the past four years. She is now attending Beauty Culture in Lubbock.

Joe Lynn graduated from Silverton schools in 1947, served four years in the Navy. He is now employed in farming at Silverton.

The couple plan to make their home in Silverton.

YOUTH REVIVAL AT BAPTIST CHURCH FRIDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 19

There will be a Youth Revival beginning Friday night, December 19, at the First Baptist Church. Rev. Billy Tennon will do the preaching. There will be five services during the revival, Friday night, Saturday morning, Saturday night, Sunday morning and Sunday night.

Everyone is invited to attend this meeting.

MRS. H. A. CAGLE ILL IN PLAINVIEW HOSPITAL

Mrs. H. A. Cagle was carried to Plainview hospital early this week and has been very ill. However, her husband reported her condition improved Wednesday. He and their little daughter have been with her daily since going to the hospital.

GEO. BISHOP DIES IN AMARILLO

Marie Bishop attended the funeral of her husband, Mr. Geo. Bishop in Amarillo Tuesday. He passed away Monday morning in the St. Anthony Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Moreland, of Amarillo, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cox, of Plainview, spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Moreland.

Mrs. Bill Malone and son, Eugene, visited relatives and friends in Weatherford, Fort Worth and Dallas, Texas last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Johnson and Stewart, of Tulia, and Mrs. W. W. Reid visited Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Shipman and girls Sunday.

Marie Bishop spent Monday night in Amarillo with Mrs. Rosa Latham and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Clemmer were business visitors in Lubbock Monday.



Miss Patricia Jeannette Purvis

Purvis - Cornett Engagement Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Purvis, 718 Twelfth Avenue North, Texas City, Texas, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Patricia Jeannette Purvis, to Mickey Dan Cornett of Silverton, Texas.

Mr. Cornett's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Onar E. Cornett of Silverton.

The wedding will be an event of January and will be solemnized at the Church of Christ in Texas City.

Miss Purvis graduated from the Texas City High School and is presently a junior student at the University of Texas in Austin.

Mr. Cornett graduated from the Silverton High School and is now a senior Pharmacy student at the University of Texas.

Attendants and the date for the wedding will be announced later by the bride-elect.

EIGHTH GRADE NEWS

The eighth grade has elected officers, they are as follows:

President—Carlye Monroe.
Vice President—Bradford Wilson.

Secretary—Gwenlyn Paige.
Treasurer—Harvey McJimsey.

Reporter—Rose Ann Dennis.
Their room mothers were elected also. They are Mrs. Stephens, Mrs. Whitfill and Mrs. Wilson.

BIRTH

Ledr. and Mrs. Riddell C. Hutsell, Honolulu T. H., are the parents of a baby girl born December 6, name Cynthia Ann, weight 6 pounds seven one-half ounces. Grandparents are Mrs. Grace Raiser, Fargo, N. D., and Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hutsell, Silverton. Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H. L. O. Riddell, Silverton.

MORE BLOOD NEEDED

Although the bloodmobile was only a fair success in Briscoe County with 150 persons reporting, the efforts of all who helped in any way to promote its success was greatly appreciated. The blood was given through the Red Cross to be taken to the Fort Worth Defense Center to be made into plasma and sent to Korea. We can think of no greater opportunity to help our boys in Korea, yet we will be called upon to give our blood for other great causes.

The American Red Cross asked the public on December 8th to contribute two million pints of its blood so it can build up stocks of gamma globulin to fight infantile paralysis next summer. The blood will be injected into exposed children in epidemic areas.

E. Roland Harriman, President of American Red Cross announced that it had accepted the new blood collection assignment at the request of the Office of Defense Mobilization.

Mrs. C. L. Wilson, Chairman of Publicity, Briscoe County Chapter.

A PRESENT WITH A FUTURE



"Miss America of 1953" is trimming her tree this year with U. S. Defense Bonds—"the present with a future." Pretty Neva Jane Langley knows that Defense Bond gifts are practical gifts, which will help protect the security of her country.

Chevrolet Launches 1953 Drive



Maryanne Carney gamely faces the herculean task of filling out 8,000 newspaper advertising orders which will be used in the announcement of Chevrolet's widely discussed 1953 passenger cars. Actually, Maryanne will get plenty of help on the assignment, but her position among the stacks of insertion orders emphasizes the promotional power behind the event.



By Lorna Boone

NEVVY WISHED his worn shoes wouldn't make so much noise on the cobblestoned alley. In the darkness, he saw the discarded Christmas tree standing tall beside a trash barrel and even the rank odors of the alley couldn't drown out the faint fragrance of pine needles.

Nevvy shivered, taking his hands from the dubious protection of his pockets to pull his one mitten on. The tree, his tree! (Just as he hefted it, he heard a shout.)

For an eleven-year-old Nevvy was fast, but the shout came again and then hard, pounding steps. Then, abruptly, he stopped as a large hand grasped his shoulder.

The grip on Nevvy's thin shoulder tightened as a loud voice demanded, "Where're you going with our tree?"

Nevvy twisted around to face a husky boy in a letterman's sweater. "You throw it out."

"Does that mean you can take it? You alley kids start in young."

"It wasn't stealing," angrily, Nevvy heard his voice shake. "Tomorrow the trash man would have got it."

The light from a neon sign spotlighted them. "You are young," the boy said, letting him go.

"Thirteen," Nevvy spoke quickly.

"Don't lie," the older boy countered sharply. "Look, this is my tree."

"All right, so I'm eleven and I know it's your tree."

"But today's the third of January," the boy said, in a friendlier voice.

Nevvy wanted to say "You couldn't understand," but then he looked at the tree, still green and fragrant even if the needles were shattering, and spoke carefully.

"We haven't had Christmas at our house yet and . . . and we need a tree."

"That's tough," the boy said, "how come?"

"Reasons."

"Tell me why or I won't give you this tree."

NEVVY let the tree go, watched it rock back and forth on its standard, and, thinking of his mother, hardened his voice. "Reasons we didn't have a tree is we couldn't afford it. No job for my

dad, no dough. And the reason we didn't have any Christmas sooner was because of my mother. She was in the hospital having a baby. Then they let my mother come home, right before New Year's, 'cause there wasn't anybody to keep care of the little kids 'cept me when my dad was job hunting."



Just as he hefted it, he heard a shout. Someone was coming down the path.

mature and they aren't sure it's going to live. But the little kids—there's five of them—we promised them Christmas and we're gonna have it. I was going to take this tree home for a starter. Me and my dad have been making presents, but, my gosh, you gotta have a tree! Even they know that."

The boy was quiet a long time. Then, "Your brothers and sisters still believe in Santa Claus?"

"Oh sure. I gave them a story about Santa Claus waiting until my mother got home to come to our house. They're beginning to wonder though."

"Listen," the boy's voice was eager. "let me be Santa, will you? We have a suit I could wear with some pillows. How about it?"

Nevvy felt the boy's enthusiasm. "Sure," he answered, off-handedly.

Nevvy knew then that the boy really wanted to do it. "Heck no," he said sincerely. "they'll love it. Look, I'll give you the address and you come down in an hour—I'll leave the toys outdoors for your pack. Oh, and I'll have the window—the front one—open for you. It'll take me awhile to get the tree up."

"Swell," the boy sounded excited. "Merry Christmas," Nevvy called after him and picked their Christmas tree up, not caring how much noise his shoes made as he ran down the alley.

Homemade SANTA

By Ancel Beauregard

HARVEY BUTLER ran a chapped hand through the lank brown hair that fell over his forehead and stared contemptuously at Jack and Gordon Linter. Their blue eyes were on him, wide and questioning.

"You sure there ain't no Santa Claus?" six-year-old Gordon asked worriedly.

Harvey laughed. "Course the Linters were little kids, six and seven, but they ought to know better. You think I'd be parading around in split-out jeans an' a patched shirt if there was?"

"Probably Santa Claus is bringing you new ones for Christmas," Jack said hopefully.

Harvey sneered, thinking of the barren Christmases at his house. They were lucky if they had a tree even. This year on account of his little sister—just over three now—mom had said they'd try to have some presents. "Any new clothes I get we buy," he said, "an' usually I just get my cousin's old stuff. Hand-me-downs, mom calls them."

"Well," again Gordon looked hopeful, "that doesn't mean anything. Mostly Santa brings toys, not clothes."

"Not to me, he doesn't. I tell you there isn't a Santa Claus except for your folks."

Gordon's eyes filled with tears and Jack looked like crying. "Are you sure?" he asked, his voice quivering. "Your little sister told me Santa Claus—Kaws she calls him—is coming to your house."

The wind seemed to whistle through all the holes and thin places in Harvey's clothes. "Carol said that? Honest?"

"Yeah," Jack said, "you know how funny she talks. She said he was coming through the door, 'cause you don't have a chimney, when the lights' are out and bring her a doll and some other things."

"What things? Try and remember," Harvey felt chilled. If Carol was expecting Santa Claus, counting on him like these kids . . . How would she feel when he didn't come?

"Doll cradle and a wagon," Gordon said. "And a trike—'twike she called it—painted red. You were just kidding us, weren't you, Harvey?"

HARVEY LOOKED at their faces and felt mean that he had told them the truth. After all, he was eleven, big enough to know better, and they were just little guys. "Sure, I guess there's a Santa Claus, but sometimes he doesn't get all the houses. Like Carol said, we don't have a chimney for him to come down, so he probably missed us a couple of times."

The light was back in the boys' eyes. "Sure, that's it. What're ya making that scowly face for, Harvey?"



"You were just kidding us, weren't you, Harvey? There really is a Santa Claus?"

This time Harvey chose his words carefully. "Well, he might miss our house again this year and Carol'd sure be disappointed, so I was trying to think how I could see she got what she wanted. I think I can make her a wagon at the Boy's Club and a wooden cradle. You think that'd work?"

"Sure," Gordon agreed enthusiastically. "long as she thinks Santa brought them, she won't know the difference."

"What about the doll and the trike? You can't make those," Jack pointed out.

Harvey shivered, leaning against the board fence. "Mom gave me money for a haircut that I could use for a doll." Usually Mom gave him haircuts 'cause they were so expensive, but she had a burned hand now.

"Hey, Jack," Gordon shouted excitedly, "how about that old trike in the garage? Harvey could fix the wheel . . ."

"Sure," Gordon answered, "and I'll bet we can find some red paint."

"And we could make her some blocks at the Boy's Club easy."

Harvey shoved his hands in his pockets, swallowing quickly. "Gee, that'd be fine, she doesn't have any now. See you later."

"Come on, Gordon," he heard Jack yell happily, "let's go find that trike."

Bowl Game to be Played at Lubbock January 1

The first football bowl game

in the history of the South Plains will be played in Lubbock on New Year's Day when the Caprock Bowl is inaugurated.

Opponents in the lid-lifter, of what is hoped to be a long series of outstanding football attractions, will be Paul Quinn College of Waco and the Lubbock All Stars.

Both teams have on their rosters some of the better Negro gridder in Texas.

Kickoff time is set for 2 p. m., January 1 at Jones Stadium, on the Texas Tech campus. Proceeds will go to the Lubbock Negro Boys Club.

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TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY,
DECEMBER 23, 24

Love Is Better Than Ever

Larry Parks, Elizabeth Taylor
M.G.M Picture



By Anne O'Sullivan

HESITANT but determined, Ransome had brought his fiancée, Hilda, home for Christmas to his parents' mountain ranch. Now, on Christmas Eve, Bridget, his young school-teaching sister, and Gloria, his white-collar sister, sat in the pine-paneled living room, admiring the yet undecorated Christmas tree. And Hilda seemed to be getting along particularly well with Gloria, the ambitious, the contemptuous sister whose city veneer denied her mountain heritage.

He was the first to stir from the surprising but comfortable dark. "I'll take care of it, Ma," he called toward the kitchen, "probably just a blown out fuse."

"Wouldn't you know it?" Gloria's voice rose sharply, complainingly. Pa, armed with a lantern, stamped in the back door, shedding snow as he shook his heavy jacket off. "Brrr, a real snowing easterner, but the animals are all right."

"Did you check the fuse box, Pa?" Ran asked. "Not much use—the wind probably took care of a transformer. What's the matter boy? When you were living at home we didn't even have electricity."

"Yeah, well, we still got plenty lanterns around?" "Long as we got horseshoes, we'll keep the lanterns ready," it was Ma's turn to laugh. "Likely our lights'll be off two-three more times this winter."

"We can't trim the tree, Pa, when the light string won't work." Gloria sounded petulant, dissatisfied. Was Hilda disappointed too? Ran wondered.

"Remember the times we trimmed the tree with popcorn balls and all?" Bridget asked. "Let's do it tonight, shall we, Ma?"

"Why of course, Pa and I'd get a sight of pleasure out of that. How about you, Hilda?"

"I'd like to help." To Ran she sounded enthusiastic, but maybe it was just politeness.

"A sight more work too," Gloria pointed out. "Why you won't move..."

"I'll need another lantern for the kitchen, Pa, if I'm to string cranberries," Bridget interrupted zestfully.

RAN KNELT beside the deep fireplace, built by his grandfather, to stir the coals. As a boy he had risked burning himself to pop corn in a frying pan; now they had a long-handled popper. The angry surge of wind reassured him in a strange way. He was at home. Safe and protected. If only Hilda could share his feeling for this place...

He leaned on his heels, whistling, as the kernels began to pop.

"I wish you'd let me help," Hilda said.

"I wish you'd let me help," Hilda said, "Bridget sent me in with a bowl, salt and butter."

Ran moved aside, finding it natural for Hilda to kneel and work beside him. Her eyes sparkled and her face was flushed in the firelight, but Ran missed his chance to ask if she were happy when Bridget summoned them to string popcorn.

Gloria held up a string of popcorn. "Not half so pretty as tinsel."

"Means more," Bridget said. "Seems like popcorn strings have a special beauty—the kind you can't buy."

Soon the Christmas tree was festooned with strings of popcorn and cranberries. It looked beautiful to Ran even before they moved presents underneath. He caught the satisfaction on everyone's face, though Gloria still looked cynical.

Just then Hilda rushed out of the room and went upstairs. When she came back, she paused half-shyly in the doorway, an accordion in her arms. "I thought you'd have a piano and, now that the radio's off, maybe you'd like some carols? It's been such a perfect evening."

Ran knew then, as he guided her into the circle and saw the family make way for her, that Hilda was one of them and his voice rose exultantly in "O Come All Ye Faithful."

By Royce Fields

THE JOLLY SANTA, ringing his bell in an appeal for contributions for the needy, grinned his thanks as Dick Slater dropped a bill into the kettle. The donation was a salute, not only to the Yuletide spirit, but to Dick's own good fortune. He had a home, a lovely wife named Jean, and a smaller reproduction of himself named Pete. What more could a man want?

One other thing made this a great day for Dick. He was on his way to fulfill a dream. While they were still engaged, he had bought a strand of simulated pearls for Jean. Somehow the feeling had grown on him that, until he could replace the phoney baubles with a string of real ones, he wouldn't be a success in the eyes of his dark-haired, brown-eyed Jean.

"Put this card on the outside of the package," he told the clerk who wrapped his gift. On the card he had written: TO A REAL PEARL—A STRING OF THEM!

It was beginning to get dark when Dick got off the train in suburban Roseville where he lived. He started to walk briskly toward his home, two blocks away. Happy in the glow of having at last realized his cherished dream, he didn't see the figure lurking in the dark alley till the man stepped out and thrust the gun into his abdomen.

"This is a stickup!" the thug snapped hoarsely. "Turn around and get your hands up!"

A feeling of relief flooded Dick as he remembered he had spent most of his money on the necklace. Then the thought hit him—the necklace itself was in his pocket!

"Listen fellow," he pleaded, over his shoulder, with the gunman, "I have a Christmas present for my wife in my pocket. Take my money, but leave me that."

The hoodlum didn't answer. Methodically, he continued taking everything out of Dick's pockets. As his hand started to remove the precious little package, Dick Slater went wild! He whirled, slapping with his left hand at about where he thought the gun would be. He caught nothing. The thief merely stepped back and brought the heavy gun crashing down on his victim's head.

AS THE DARKNESS cleared away, Dick became aware that he was in a hospital. Gradually, he realized Jean and little Pete were beside his bed.

"Oh Dick!" Jean half sobbed, half laughed, "I've been scared! The doctor says you only have a slight concussion, though, and you're going to be all right!"

As his head continued to clear, the realization of his loss overwhelmed Dick.

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"I had a present for you, Jean..." he began.

"I know, Foolish," his wife cut in, "and you almost lost your life trying to save it."

"But it was the string of real pearls I've always wanted you to have, Jean. You know how much they meant to me!"

"Yes, I've known the silly obsession you've had about my wearing simulated pearls," Jean said almost sternly. "It never seemed to occur to you that my husband and little Pete were the real pearls in my life!"

"Well, this is going to be a bum Christmas for you," Dick said glumly, "and I thought it would be the best yet."

"It's going to be," Jean told him. "Look!"

She put her arm under his shoulder and lifted him to a sitting position. In one corner of the room was a beautiful little Christmas tree. Piled high under it were the gifts he and Jean had wrapped for little Pete. Jean went over and brought back two of the packages. One was her present to him—a watch he had wanted. The other package...

Suddenly, he recognized it—the pearls!

"Yes," Jean said, "my pearls. When the police caught the thief, he hadn't time to open them even."



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getting a tree that has fresh leaves or needles. If the tree is placed aside for a few days before the decorating job is done, it can be kept fresh by making a new cut above the original one and placing it in a container of water. When the tree is moved into the house, it should be left with the trunk in water. Danger from fire is lessened when the leaves or needles contain moisture. Water should be added to the container each day and besides the safety angle, there will be less shedding of leaves or needles.

Check the electric light cords that connect the tree light and make repairs if needed. If cotton is used around the base of the tree, use the kind that has been treated for fire retardance. Candles should never be used to light a tree, and never block exits from the room with the tree.

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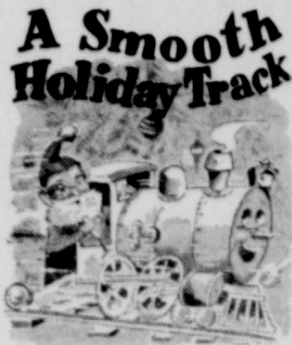
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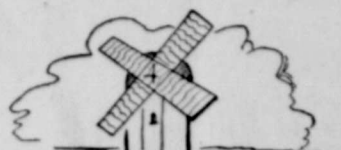
UNITED STATES (Merry Christmas)—Christmas tree, mistletoe and Santa Claus.



BRAZIL (Boas Festas)—A family dinner is first on the list of festive celebrations in Brazil. Christmas trees, gift exchanges and other typical U.S. holiday customs are being adopted in South America.



HOLLAND (Hartelijke Kerstgrooten)—Land of old St. Nicholas, forerunner of our Santa Claus. In former years, the Dutch celebrated for a month. St. Nick scattered his gifts about the floors of Dutch homes as early as December 6.



ITALY (Bono Natale)—Shepherds gather in villages on Christmas Eve to play musical instruments as townfolks sing sweet Nativity songs. Thousands flock to St. Peter's in Rome on Christmas Day.



GREECE (Kala Xristouyeha)—Decorated trees, greeting cards and gift exchanges are season highlights. New Year's Eve is really the top holiday, with big dances, parties and other celebrations for young and old.



PHILIPPINE ISLANDS (Maligayang Pasko)—Church services, singing and dancing are Yuletide favorites in the islands.



First Community Tree at Christmas Was Held in City of Cleveland

THE COMMUNITY Christmas tree idea was born in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1912. The community raised funds to defray the cost of the tree and celebrations through the sale of preferred stock in "Cleveland, the city of good will (unlimited), incorporated under the laws of the commonwealth of good cheer."

1. It has seriously impaired the economic and political situations in poor regions of Southern Italy, Sicily, and Sardinia, where production and export of cheeses to the United States represented a principal means of livelihood.

2. It has made it necessary for us to continue to give away more dollars to keep these areas buying our products.

3. It has meant that they have less money with which to sustain their own efforts at recovery and defense.

Unreasonable import barriers suggest this paradox: It is as though American workers in Detroit, producing trucks for our NATO partner, Holland, were refusing to buy Dutch cheese. To keep Holland buying the trucks, the Detroit workers would have to slip dollars into the pockets of the Netherlands.

That process, the Department says, is, of course, economic nonsense and is sure to create problems in world affairs. Yet it is just about what Americans are forced to do by unreasonable trade restrictions.

Moreover, and what is very important to all Americans, the process hinders normal business operations. It causes Government "interference" with the usual trade of farmers, businessmen, and consumers in doing business with foreign buyers and sellers.

The Department emphasizes that the alternative—a gradual elimination of trade barriers—offers the only sound solution. For the major trade problem of other countries is their lack of dollars; they believe we can help solve that problem by assuring them a "fair shake" at earning American cash.

By reducing our restrictions and thus helping our allies to find an opportunity to compete in our market, we will enable them to earn more dollars and to pay their own way. As a Department economic expert put it, "Trade, not aid, is the best way to strengthen the free world."

Our Growing Trade Barriers Weaken Free World's Unity

WASHINGTON.—Nineteen countries, each a friend and ally of the United States, have protested to the Department of State that they are bewildered by various actions on our part which either threaten or reduce their trade in the American market.

They are bewildered, they say, at the inconsistency of our blocking trade (imports), while we are encouraging them to produce more and sell more in the United States.

In effect, their point is this: To shield American industries from foreign competition, we seem to be undermining our efforts to promote economic recovery, political stability, and military preparedness in the rest of the free world. Unreasonable trade barriers, they say, weaken the strength and unity of free nations.

This feeling among our allies, the Department of State points out, is very significant—and not only with respect to trade relationships. For the inconsistency in our trade policy raises questions in the minds of other people with regard to all our programs in the free world.

The practical effect of tighter restrictions on our imports, without doubt, is to hurt both the United States and friendly countries. For, the Department of State emphasizes, such barriers tend to diminish—

1. The chances of cutting down our foreign aid.
2. The opportunities for improving the use of manpower and resources among the free nations.
3. The livelihood of free peoples.

In addition, there is an impact on our leadership in world affairs. Since trade is the lifeblood of the world's economy, one sure result will be to lessen our leadership in all things if we do not support the movement among our allies toward freer trade.

For several years the United States has been aiding our allies through the Marshall Plan and the Mutual Security Program. This help to others is based on the assumption that they eventually will recover and will then be in a position to sell us enough to pay for what they need from us.

It is apparent, says the State Department, that if other countries are to become self-supporting, trade and not aid should become the means whereby they can obtain more dollars. Other-

wise, the American aid that keeps them going must continue to come out of the American taxpayer's pocket.

In addition, every move toward increased U.S. trade restrictions is used now as ammunition in the Communist attack against us. The Communists are propagandizing that our only interest in aiding others is to assure bigger markets for ourselves. They tell other people that this is our aim, that we are slamming our doors against the products of other people.

More directly, the Department points out, our own security requires the freeing of trade from unreasonable barriers. The manpower and resources of the United States alone are not sufficient. The United States needs to combine its strength with its allies to make the best possible joint use of manpower and resources. More trade is the best way to assure this.

But trade restrictions tend to prevent such cooperation. They force other countries to misuse scarce resources, to waste manpower, and to isolate their economies.

Most Americans, of course, realize that the well-being of free peoples goes hand in hand with how much is bought and sold in markets outside of each country. For example:

- In some cases, the foreign trade of our allies represents the equivalent of from 20 to 40 percent of their total national income each year.
- Our reliance on trade is likewise heavy, though the proportion is not so great. For not only do we ship abroad tremendous quantities of our goods, but also year by year our imports become more important to our way of living.

Just how significant our imports are to the health of American industry was pointed out recently by the President's Materials Policy Commission. Summing up on raw-material needs for the next 25 years, the Commission concluded that the amazingly efficient American industries are becoming increasingly dependent upon raw materials produced outside the United States.

The Commission also recognized the growing pressure here for "protectionism"—a descriptive term for import barriers—and it condemned what it called our "self-imposed blockade."



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Burial Place of Santa Said to Be in Italy

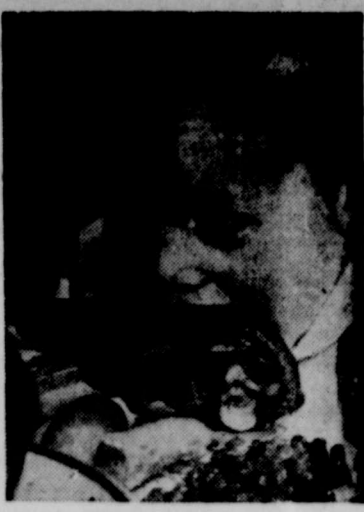
SANTA CLAUS, otherwise St. Nicholas, otherwise the one-time bishop of Myra in Asia Minor, is buried in Bari, Italy. His body was stolen from its original tomb in Myra and swiftly borne to Bari by Italian sailors, who thought back in 1087 that a saint's body brought prosperity and good luck to your town.

St. Nicholas, who was tortured and imprisoned for his faith during the reign of Emperor Diocletian, found no rest in his first tomb at Myra. Always some expedition was attempting to remove his remains.

However, once buried again in Bari, the saint's body was credited with curing 30 people of distemper and performing other miracles. So Bari became a place of pilgrimage, and the legends about St. Nicholas multiplied apace.

We owe our notion of Santa Claus as a secret dispenser of gifts to a story that St. Nicholas once saved three girls from a life of prostitution by throwing purses of gold through a window in Patara, thus permitting a poverty stricken nobleman to give his daughters suitable dowries as custom demanded.

In addition, St. Nicholas was credited with restoring life to some boys who had been slain and dismembered by a wicked innkeeper of Myra—hence the occasional stained glass windows in which the saint is shown beside three lads in a tub.



CHRISTMAS FEAST . . . The toys have been opened and church services are over. Now, it's time for that Christmas feast and a turkey drumstick.

Bethlehem Rites Feature March To Nativity Cave

CHRISTMAS is observed in Bethlehem on December 25 by the Roman Catholics and Protestants, on January 6, by the Greek Orthodox and affiliated churches, and on January 18 by the Armenians.

All Bethlehem, however, turns out on December 24 for the arrival of the Patriarch of Jerusalem—Cardinal of the Holy Land—who each year brings an ancient effigy of the Infant Jesus to Bethlehem which he lays in the manger within the cave where Christ was born.

Dramatically the procession approaches: heralded by a single horseman, his banner streaming aloft. A corps of native police mounted upon fiery Arabian horses follow and then another single horseman upon a prancing black steed carrying the cross on high; the Patriarch in his cardinal and ermine, mitred bishops, clergy in embroidered vestments and white robed acolytes—swinging golden censers—precede the jeweled pavilion of the Holy Child. Magnificent corteges of government officials, foreign embassies, bands, religious organizations follow, and finally, American made automobiles mingle with native two-wheeled carriages.

The procession enters the Church of the Nativity. The public is not permitted to witness the actual placing of the effigy, as that part of the Church—built above the Cave of the Nativity—is under the jurisdiction of the Greek Orthodox church.

The grotto-like Cave of the Nativity in no way conforms to the modern conception of a "stable;" in biblical times, however, shelters for man and beast were hewn into rocky ledges—thus, the Stable of Bethlehem.

On Christmas Eve, members of all denominations assemble to sing carols above the birthplace of the Holy Child before midnight mass is solemnized in the Church of the Nativity.

Yule Tree Business Figured in Millions

CHRISTMAS TREES are a multi-million dollar business. Throughout the nation, some 15 million trees are supplied to the holiday demand. Prices range from \$1 to \$5, and that adds up to real money.

A Christmas tree, in the lake states, is usually a balsam or a spruce. The same is true in New England and the Appalachian section. Elsewhere in the country, virtually all kinds of evergreens are used.

The lodgepole pine and Douglas fir are frequently used in Colorado. On the Pacific coast, it is principally Douglas fir.

In Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D. C., a scrub pine takes a trimming.

In other localities, white pine, southern pine, hemlock, red and white cedar and redwood are used.

The business of harvesting this annual crop begins in the fall, when cutters go into the woods after trees. It continues as truckers bring huge loads to metropolitan markets.

Many land owners manage their swamps to make them yield a crop of trees year after year. Thinning operations are another source of Yule trees.

Farmers have discovered that they can get a cash crop from eroded acres by harvesting Christmas trees 10 or 15 years after they are planted.

'Hansel and Gretel' Join the Procession

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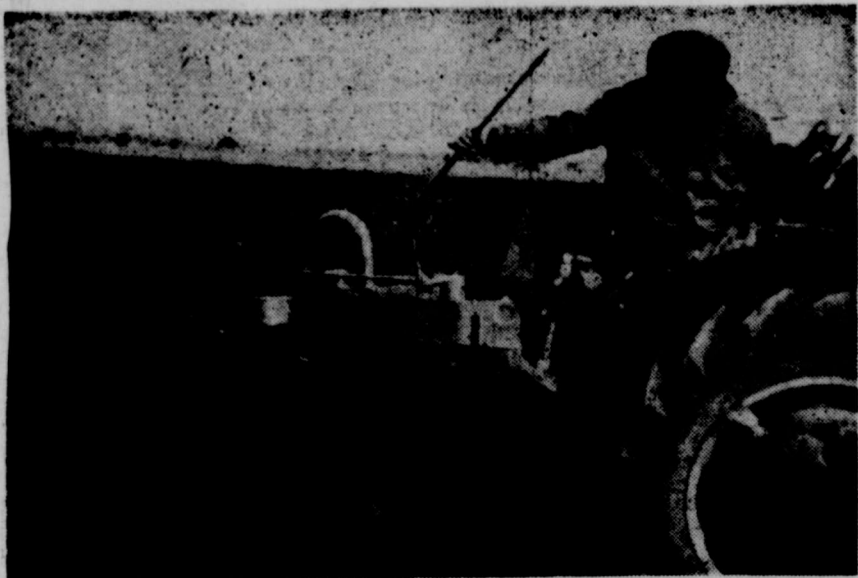
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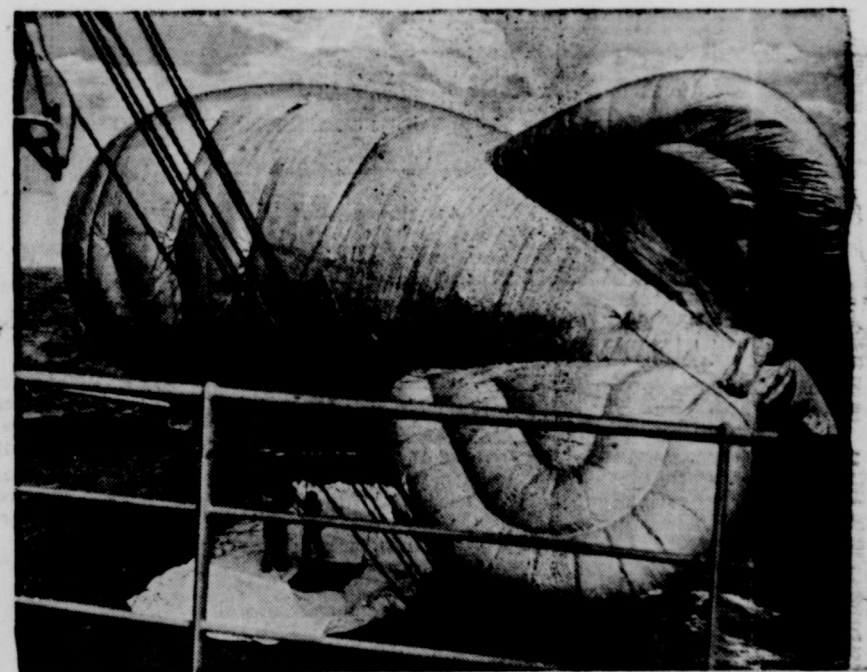
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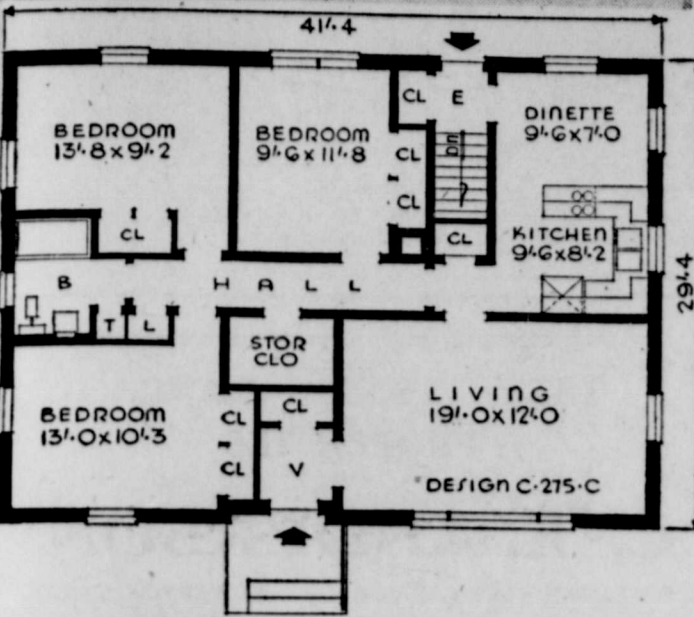
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Egyptians Made Elaborate Dolls For Children

No one knows for sure who made the first doll, but it can be assumed the earliest figures were sacred—gods and ancestor images. These doll-like forms were not toys for the delight of children, but solemn religious figures that preserved the tribe from harm.

Then, somehow, somewhere, a change took place. Dolls became a toy for girls and the most popular Christmas toy of them all. Dolls have been discovered in Egyptian tombs and ruins, some even had real hair; some were ivory, carved by craftsmen for a king's daughter; others were made of straw by an overworked mother in a peasant's hut.

In ancient Greece dolls were played with and cherished by little girls until they were ready to be married. Then (their dolls were taken to the shrine of a favorite goddess) and, often with tears, presented to her. The Roman children played with dolls, too, but after the fall of the Empire there came a long period in which there is no record of dolls.

Not until the thirteenth century when dolls were made in Nuremberg and dressed in the fashions of the times did little girls again play with dolls. They were here to stay.

By and by in Europe, the French fashion dolls became all the rage, not for children to play with but as models from which fine ladies could pattern their own modish costumes.

In America, the Indian children had dolls of their own made of rawhide and feathers and wood. Pioneer children had dolls much like these, and some were made of braided cornhusks, or nuts, or corncobs, or rags, and were dearly loved in spite of their plainness.

Much later, lifelike dolls were imported from Germany, where the doll industry had reached enormous proportions. These dolls had fine china heads with carefully painted faces and kid bodies that were jointed at the arms and legs. Later there came the Japanese-made dolls, which were inexpensive enough for almost any child to own. Then the American-made dolls began to appear—the special dolls, the kewpies, billikens, Buster Browns, teddy bears, Patsy dolls and Shirley Temples and phonograph dolls, with all the host of others that have followed and which are still to come. For dolls always will be part of childhood and part of Christmases as long as there are little girls and boys to play with them, and parents and fond kinfolk to buy.

Burial Place of Santa Said to Be in Italy

SANTA CLAUS, otherwise St. Nicholas, otherwise the one-time bishop of Myra in Asia Minor, is buried in Bari, Italy. His body was stolen from its original tomb in Myra and swiftly borne to Bari by Italian sailors, who thought back in 1087 that a saint's body brought prosperity and good luck to your town.

St. Nicholas, who was tortured and imprisoned for his faith during the reign of Emperor Diocletian, found no rest in his first tomb at Myra. Always some expedition was attempting to remove his remains. However, once buried again in Bari, the saint's body was credited with curing 30 people of distemper and performing other miracles. So Bari became a place of pilgrimage, and the legends about St. Nicholas multiplied apace.

We owe our notion of Santa Claus as a secret dispenser of gifts to a story that St. Nicholas once saved three girls from a life of prostitution by throwing purses of gold through a window in Patara, thus permitting a poverty stricken nobleman to give his daughters suitable dowries as custom demanded.

In addition, St. Nicholas was credited with restoring life to some boys who had been slain and dismembered by a wicked innkeeper of Myra—hence the occasional stained glass windows in which the saint is shown beside three lads in a tub.



TIME OUT... Santa Claus pauses in his Christmas Eve visits sometimes to pick up a hot dog and ice cream cone at an all-night hamburger stand.

South Plains Industry Will be Represented at Memphis Meeting

Lubbock, Dec. 17.—For the third consecutive year the South Plains cotton industry will be represented by an attractive young lady in the National Maid of Cotton Contest when the finals are held in Memphis, Tenn.

The National Cotton Council last week sent Miss Mansell, this year's South Plains Maid of Cotton, a formal invitation to participate Dec. 29 and 30 with 21 other young ladies in the competition for the coveted national title. The winner will then be the industry's fashion representative on a six months' tour of the Western Hemisphere and Europe.

Miss Mansell, 21 year old Texas Tech co-ed from Lubbock, was named the South Plains Maid of Cotton last month in the regional contest sponsored by area cotton men and civic leaders, in cooperation with the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce. Sixteen young ladies from all sections of the South Plains competed.

At last year's national finals, the South Plains representative was Miss DeRose Wittenburg. The previous year, Miss Ruth Brunson represented this area.

CARD OF THANKS

In our hours of sorrow, we have been blessed with much aid and comfort from many friends and neighbors. We wish to express our appreciation for these many acts of kindness during the loss of our loved one. We are grateful to all of you who aided us at the death of our mother, and for the beautiful floral offerings. May God be with you in your hour of need is our prayer.

Children of Patton Family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud McMinn visited Sunday night in Amarillo with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Watkins.

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Mr. and Mrs. Don Burson are the parents of a baby boy, born December 12, 1952 in the Tulia hospital. Grandparents are Mrs. T. C. Bomar and Mr. and Mrs. True Burson.

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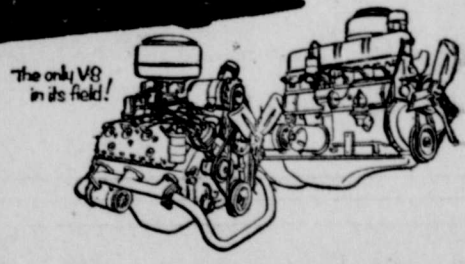
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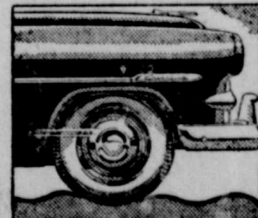
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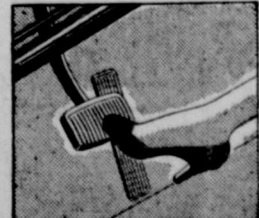
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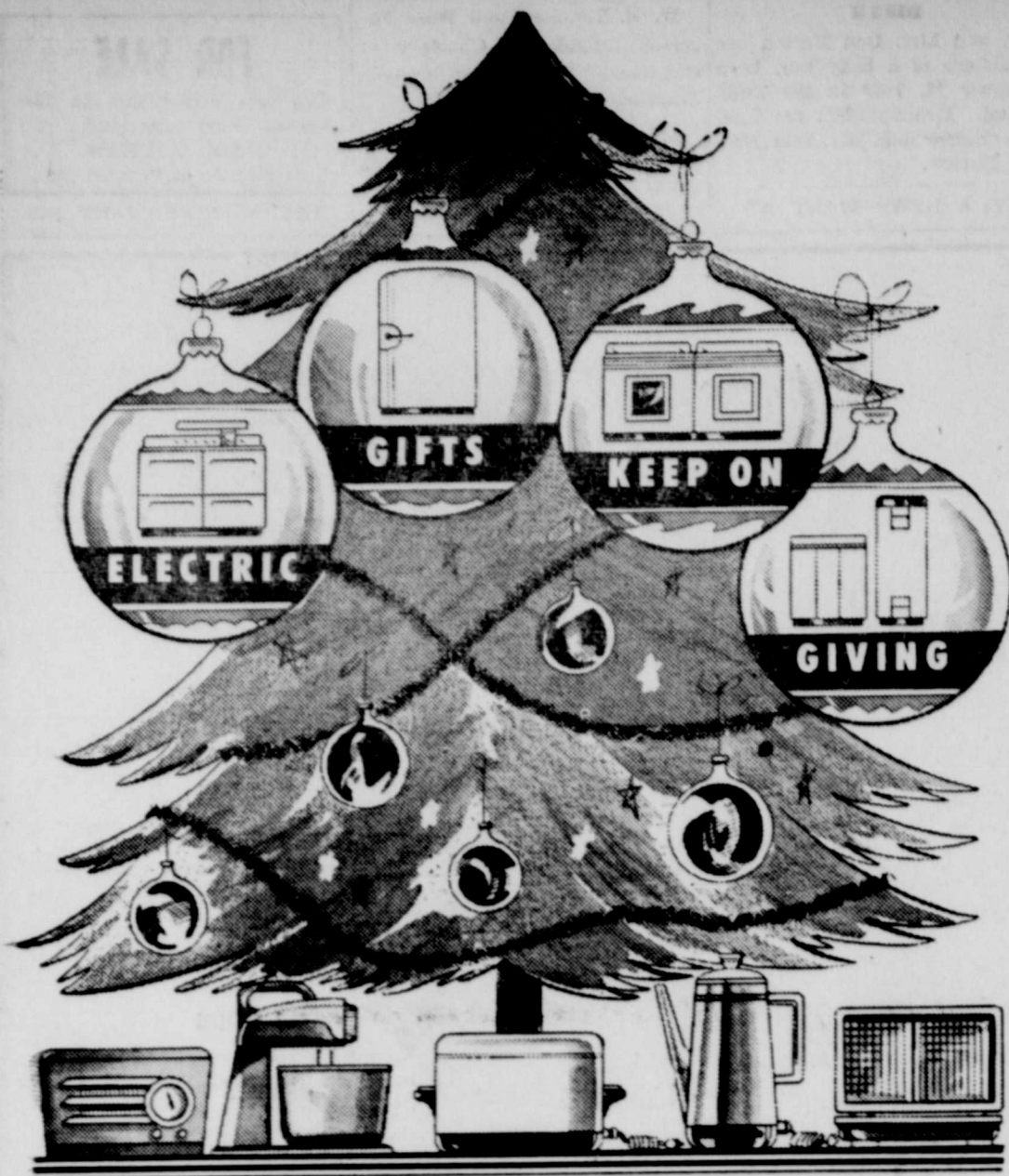
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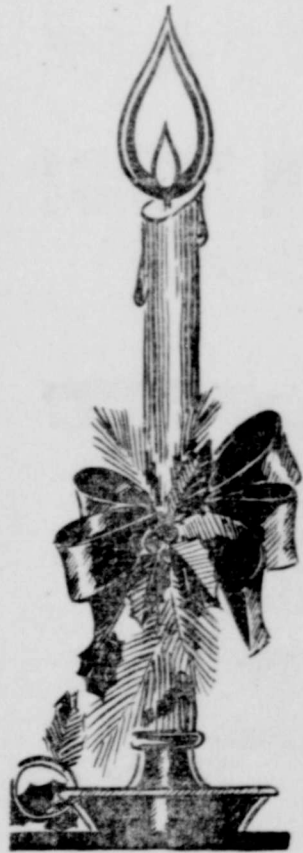
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'Silent Night' Hymn Is Often Called Song From Heaven

"Silent Night" is often called the "Song from Heaven" because the story of its inspiration and composition is one of the most beautiful Christmas stories in existence. On December 24, 1818, in the Austrian village of Hallein, as Father Joseph Mohr sat reading his Bible, there was a knock at his door. It was a peasant woman who wanted the priest to visit a poor charcoal-maker's wife to whom a child had been born. The parents had sent her to ask the priest to come and bless the infant. Father Mohr was strangely moved by the visit to the mother. And that evening as he returned to his home saw that the dark slopes of the Alps around the village were



alight with torches of the mountaineers on their way to church. To him it was a Christmas miracle.

Later, as he tried to put down on paper his feeling and experience, the words kept turning into verse. When dawn came he found he had written a poem—a beautiful and moving poem.

On Christmas Day his friend, Franz Xaver Gruber, music teacher in the village school, composed music to fit the verses.

Village children heard the priest and teacher singing the song and learned it. From there it spread throughout the world. Today, it is regarded as the greatest Christmas hymn and wherever there are men of good will they sing:

"Silent night, holy night—
All is calm, all is bright,
Round you Virgin, Mother and Child;

Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace—
Sleep in heavenly peace."

History of Christmas Seals

When you see the Christmas seal do you ever wonder how it started?

It was born in Denmark, home of the fairy tales of Hans Christian Anderson.

Einar Holboell, a Copenhagen postal clerk, was sorting mail one snowy afternoon before Christmas, 1903, when he thought of the idea of a penny stamp to swell a fund for children's hospitals.

Authorized by King Christian, the first Christmas seals were sold in Copenhagen in 1904.

Holboell's scheme outgrew his wildest imaginings, for before his death in 1927, he lived to see it spread to 45 countries.

The seals found their way to America on letters and packages and first attracted the attention of Jacob Riis who wrote an article about them. Few people, however, were interested in the idea.

Then, in the autumn of 1907, Emily Bissell, a public health worker, concerned about the fate of a small sanatorium, recalled the article and sat down to sketch America's first Christmas seal, a wreath of holly encircling the words "Merry Christmas."

With 50,000 stamps printed and nowhere to sell them, Miss Bissell at last enlisted the aid of a columnist on a Philadelphia newspaper. The idea caught and within a few weeks \$3,000 was collected.

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