



Roundup Features Varied Customs Of Holiday Season

While Reese personnel and their families are observing Christmas in the traditional United States way, people of far away and near lands are celebrating in a different fashion.

Natives of about 20 countries are living on the base or near it. Most of these are dependents.

THE ROUNDUP this week has sought to give a glimpse of the holiday season in these distant lands through brief interviews with these men and women who grew up outside the United States. There are stories in this issue of the holiday season in England, Germany, Italy, Bermuda, France, Guatemala, Guam, Ireland Ecuador, Philippine Islands, Venezuela, Japan, Russia, Hawaii, Chile, and Hungary.

Apologies are given for not having written of Christmas in Newfoundland, Austria, Canada, and other spots. With an enlarged newspaper this week and the extra duties which it brought to the editor, things just didn't seem to work out to get stories from those formerly living in these areas.

THE ROUNDUP editor hopes the readers enjoy the many stories. He thanks all those who made these special stories possible.

Yule Decorations To Be Judged December 23

Judging of Christmas decorations in Reese Village will be held December 23, S. R. Price, Reese Village, Inc., manager, announced.

The largest prizes of \$50 will be presented for the best overall exterior display and \$25 for the second best.

Other prizes of \$15 and \$10, respectively, will be given for the best window and best door decorations.

Work To Start In February

Bids For RAFB Construction To Be Opened

Bids for construction of a new dining hall and two dormitories at Reese Air Force Base will be asked about December 23 the Army Corps of Engineers has notified Col. C. P. West, Reese AFB commander. The new dining hall will go in the 430 block, while one dormitory is to be in the 220 block and the other in the 420 block.

The engineers stated they expect to open bids about January 24 and the successful contractor is required to commence construction within 10 days after notification to proceed. Work is expected, thus, to start sometime in February and to be completed within 300 days, or shortly before Christmas next year.

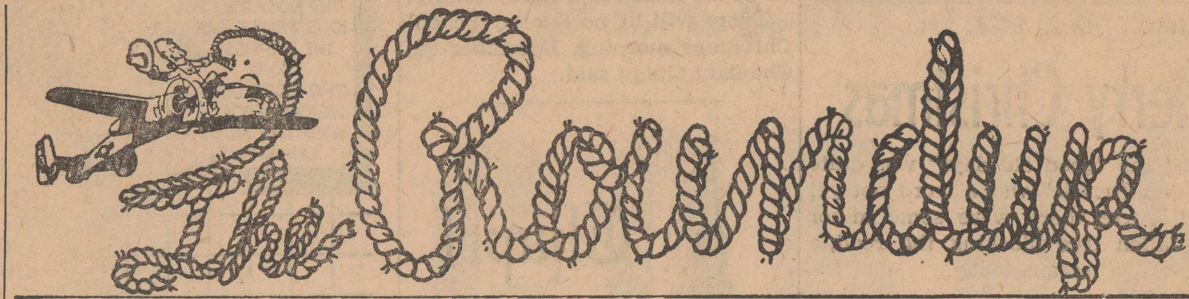
The dormitories will each be three stories and of permanent masonry. Each will house 200 men in private rooms and each building will have recreational and other facilities, Maj. Albert L. Stokes, base engineer, said. The dining hall will be capable of serving 800 men and also will be of permanent masonry.

Exterior facing of the buildings will be textured modular structural units, according to the notice of bids. Floor area of the dining hall is to be 13,760 square feet, with ground area of dormitories about 8,367 square feet. Heating systems for the three structures will be forced hot water, gas fired. Evaporative cooling is to be provided for each building.

The project calls for removal of buildings in the three blocks, either by re-location or demolition. The base library will be moved into the triangle just south of the main gate. The building operated by the cleaners also will be eliminated and the cleaners will move into a supply type building near the BX, with a pickup station.

Major Stokes said that the project calls for disposition of buildings in the blocks in a manner thought most beneficial to the government. Plans call for the present consolidated mess building to be demolished and for the block to be made into a parking area for

the new mess and other nearby buildings. The major said the new mess will be slightly smaller than the present mess building, but it will be modern in every respect and should serve base needs much better. All of the new construction will include latest developments in military construction.



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Base Ready For Holiday Season



FIRST PRESENT — This young miss inaugurates the package opening season in Reese Village for Christmas of 1955. She is Kathryn Price, 5, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Price, 115 Arnold Drive. Her daddy is manager of the village. (Photo by Haynes)

On-Base Activities Planned For Airmen

Christmas leaves for personnel who expect to spend the holidays at home will begin this coming week and final preparations are being completed for special activities here on base.

Training for Student Officers and Cadets will conclude December 21 with students authorized to be on leave until January 2, 1956, it was said. Squadron commanders report the list of names on sign-out rosters is growing, as airmen and officers begin their trips home.

For those personnel remaining on base a full schedule of holiday activities has been planned. The Christmas season will be officially opened to night at a tree-lighting ceremony near the Main Gate at 7 p.m. Tomorrow the annual children's Christmas party will be held in the Base Theater from 2 to 4 p.m.

Saturday is also established as "Operation Daddy for a Day". Training group will escort orphan children from Lubbock to a Christmas party and lunch in the Officers Open Mess. Base teenagers will hold a Christmas party Saturday evening at 7 p.m.

Religious services are scheduled at the Base Chapel on Christmas eve and Christmas Day.

Special dances and entertainment have been planned at the Service Club, the Officers and NCO Messes, as well as annual Wives Club parties.

The traditional holiday dinner, including turkey and the trimmings, will be featured at the base messes on Christmas Day. Guests will be permitted to share the holiday meal with base personnel.

Holiday Message . . . From Your Commander

As we glance back over our achievements of the past year, we readily recall the many hours of hard work exerted in the accomplishment of our mission and can justly express our pride in our contribution as part of the United States Air Force, toward the Christian objective of Peace on Earth.

In our observance, may we reflect on the Life given to us as a pattern for all mankind, and pledge ourselves to continue to do our jobs to the best of our ability in whatever capacity we may be called upon to service in the task of preserving our most precious freedom.

To each military and civilian member of Reese Air Force Base, I extend my very warm wishes for a happy Christmas season and for everything good in the New Year to come.

COLONEL C. P. WEST.

Airmen Receiving Promotions Listed

Promotions for the December-January promotion period have been released by WO Clyde Mouchett, Airman Personnel Officer.

One master sergeant was included in the list of 133 promotions. The list included promotions for three men to Tech, 19 to staff, 48 to airman first class and 62 airman seconds.

The new master sergeant is Leonard W. Mayo of 3500th USAF ospital.

New technical sergeants are: Buster B. Swilling, Hq. Sq. PTW; and Earle Heinsen and Reginald M. Franklin of 3500th USAF Hospital.

To Staff Sergeant

Promoted to staff sergeant are: Alton J. Smith, Herbert D. Church, Burley H. Ryals, Richard Tafoya and Lelan E. Webb, 3501st Maint. sq.; Augustine C. Rosone, Robert H. Motes and Andrew J. Pazderak, 3502nd Maint. sq.; Harley W. Baker, Thomas H. Peoples and Sterling C. Burriss, 3505th Maint. sq.; Harold R. Siengle, Hq. Sq. M&S group; John Gorman, Hq. Sq. Sec. 3500th PTW; Robert Kimoto, Installations group; Paul R. Corbere, Motor Vehicle sq.; Clinton R. Whitley, Support sq.; Jack W. Moore, Food Service; Lawrence K. McGarry, Pilot Training group; and Henry James, Jr., Hospital.

Airman First Class

Promoted to airman first class are: Sherrel D. Speegle, Fred L. Williamson, Charles I. Labella, George V. Ottofaro, Donald R. Petrecca, Anthony L. Cuzzo, Robert J. Sturner and Donald J. Coburn, 3502nd Maint. sq.; James C. Back, Rex Jones and Russell W. Williams, Motor Vehicle sq.; Donald J. Seibert, Donald Reilly, Kenneth D. Luttrell, David M. Kirk and James C. Pauster, Hq. Sq. Sec. PTW;

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Checks Delivered At Each Pay-Day

Something new in pay-day procedures was added at Reese AFB Thursday as checks were delivered to each man personally on his job. Previously, troops had left their jobs to report at specified times to the orderly rooms for payment.

Under the new procedure, set up at direction of USAF, Class A agents distributed the checks to the troops, using a roster of individuals and requiring identification in case the individual was not known personally. The agents were not permitted to turn over checks to anyone else for distribution.

Checks not delivered on pay-day were returned to the finance office. The same procedures will be in effect each pay-day.

THE WEATHER

Saturday

Partly cloudy with light blowing dust, and winds becoming northwesterly. High temperature in the low forties and low of 20.

Sunday

Clear with light northeasterly winds. High temperature of 40 and low of 23. (Courtesy of Reese AFB Weather Station.)



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(Editorials)

Make It A Safe Merry Christmas

Going home for Christmas during the "good old days" was quite different from what it is today . . . and "traffic" was a word not yet part of the everyday vocabulary. Of course there were some minor traffic hazards—a runaway horse, a fallen tree blocking the road, a loose wheel—but nothing like what "traffic" means today.

The subject of modern traffic is brought up because it is a major concern to everyone today, especially since traffic fatalities around Christmas paint an ugly, black picture of tragedy and suffering in the midst of the happiness and cheer of the season. This brings up the question, "How good and safe a driver are you?" Do you always obey traffic signals—always? Do you always keep within the speed regulations—always? Do you keep your car in the best of condition, especially in the winter months? Do you always adjust your speed for road and weather conditions? Are you always sober when you drive—always? These are pretty sharp questions to throw at you during this holiday season—but your safety and the safety of others may depend on your answer to any of these blunt questions. Remember that as a walker or driver, you are still a human being, and that as such you have a responsibility to yourself and to others. The spirit of brotherhood and concern for our fellowmen should be a part of our motor manners, too, if we want to keep Christmas a merry—and safe—time of the year.

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The insurance ceases in the event of cancellation of the contract and the insurance covers only savings in the credit union at time of death.

For further details see your Credit Union.

Chaplain's Chat

The Christian Faith Makes A Difference
By Chaplain (Major) Wilbur J. McDaniel

In my business I am constantly confronted with many unhappy, mal-adjusted, and remorseful people. Of course, these folk are in the minority, yet at the same time they need our help, and they do have my sincere interest. In the course of a long civilian and military ministry I find certain factors which are common. It is not natural for folk to be unhappy, or to suffer. Therefore there must be some cause for this negative side of life. Without discussing the cause I would like to emphasize some positive habits, which if observed would reduce to a minimum that which is negative.

For instance, if we would consistently practice our Christian faith, there would not be "room" for that which disturbs and disrupts to gain a hold in our lives. The doctor can diagnose and prescribe but he can't make us follow his instruction. It is the same old axiom, "you can lead a horse to water but you can't make him drink." Will you accept a dare? I dare you to religiously (1) attend the church of your choice regularly (letting no excuse deter you) for not less than thirty days. (2) Read the Bible daily for not less than fifteen minutes, and (3) pray

daily for at least ten minutes — if married read and pray together. This will prove the magic cure.

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Children To Present Annual Season Program

Members of the Reese Sunday school will present their Christmas program December 18 at 10 p.m. in the Base Chapel, Chaplain (1st Lt.) Robert E. Quigg announced.

The program will be a play entitled "The Songs of Christmas" with each child participating.

Each person in the Sunday School is asked to bring a gift of food wrapped in white to be placed at the altar for a needy family.

There will be no Sunday School Christmas morning, December 25, Chaplain Quigg said.



Chapel

Schedule

You are invited to participate in the following services of worship:

Catholic:

Confessions

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday; the 21st, 22nd and 23rd from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. No confessions Saturday the 24th.

Masses:

Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve
Sunday the 25th at 8:00 and 9:00 a.m.

Protestant:

Christmas Eve Service, 9:00 p.m.
Sunday, Christmas Day Service, 9:00 p.m.

Sunday, Christmas Day Service at 11:00 p.m.

There will be no Sunday School Christmas Day.

To Mitchel

A/2C William R. Brunda of Installations group has been re-assigned to Mitchel AFB, N.Y., for duty with the Continental Air Command. He left this week, taking a delay enroute.

IT MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE

GALLUP POLL RESEARCH SHOWS THE MOST RELIGIOUS PEOPLE ARE THE HAPPIEST, AND THE MORE IRRELIGIOUS PEOPLE ARE THE MOST UNHAPPY

Heads For France

S/Sgt. Raymond W. Guhl of M&S headquarters has been re-assigned to a 12th Air Force unit in Toul-Rosieres, France. He left this week, taking a delay enroute before reporting for overseas shipment on January 9.

To Germany

A/2C Ronald B. Grossman of the 3505th Field Maintenance squadron has been re-assigned to a 12th Air Force unit in Landstuhl, Germany. He leaves next week, taking a delay enroute. He is scheduled to ship overseas on January 26.

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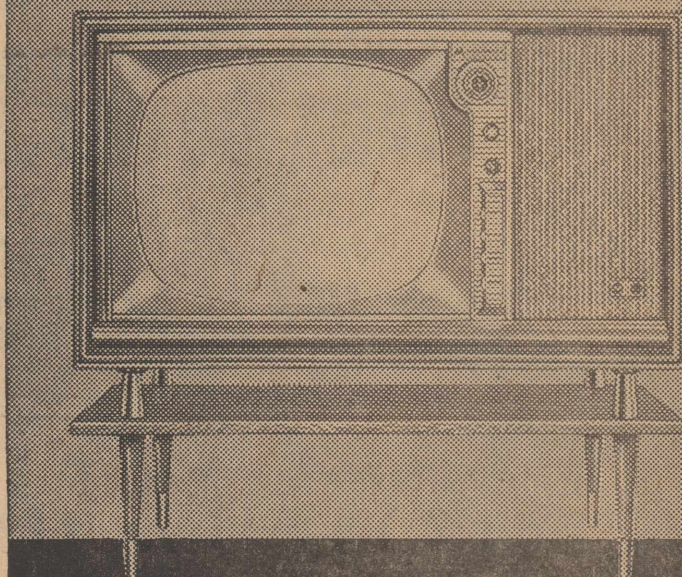
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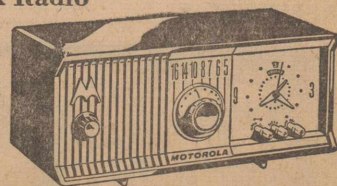
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WOMEN'S PAGE

OWC To Fete Husbands, Guests At Christmas Cocktail Party

By Evelyn Shaw

The Officers' Wives Club Holiday cocktail party will be held Sunday evening from 7 to 8:30 at the Officers' Mess. Each member attending is to bring a plate of hors d'oeuvres. All members, their husbands, bachelor officers, nurses, their dates and house guests are invited. This event is to be semi-formal. Following the party, a buffet dinner will be available and an orchestra will be present for your dancing pleasure. Plan to attend this gala affair!

Members of the Wives Club are invited to participate in the Reese AFB Christmas Tree-lighting program to be held tonight at 7 p.m. at the main gate. Caroling will be a main feature at this event.

Plans have been completed for the annual Children's Christmas Party to be held Saturday afternoon from 2 to 4 p.m., in the Base theater. Members of the OWC assisted in the wrapping of packages for this party.

Council Meeting will be held Tuesday, December 20, at 9:30 a.m. in the TV room of the Officers' Mess.

A gift exchange was the main feature of the Wives Club Christmas Tea, held yesterday at the Officers' Mess. In traditional Yuletide spirit, members attending this annual function joined in the singing of carols and the appearance of Santa was a highlight to the program.

Senior hostess for the occasion was Mrs. Ira H. Shick, assisted by Mmes. Loral H. Hall, Charles O. Smith, Joseph R. Deiss Jr., and Kenneth W. Wolgemuth.

Lt. Col. and Mrs. Quinn L. Oldaker have as their guest, his mother, Mrs. E. E. Oldaker of Durbin, West Virginia.

Visiting Capt. and Mrs. Byrn P. Whalen last week end were Capt. and Mrs. Don C. Davis and son Mike from Big Spring, Texas. The Davises were formerly stationed at Reese AFB.

Back in time for all festivities are Capt. and Mrs. Jim H. Kent who recently returned from TDY at Scott AFB.

Capt. and Mrs. Reedis N. Morris are entertaining with a cocktail party in their home this evening. Guests will be members of Flight 5 and their wives.

Air Force Wives

You Are Very Important Persons

During September — and ever since — the Air Force has been telling each of our menfolk: "You're The Number One Man." The theme has been repeated on posters, in Air Force newspaper stories and in a special pamphlet called "You're The Number One Man."

The reason behind all this is to make it unmistakably clear to all Air Force members that — to the Air Force — they are Very Important Persons.

But who could possibly deny a similar status to Air Force wives? Who can say truthfully that the Air Force wife is not a Very Important Person?

Certainly not an Air Force hus-

band. Not a unit commander, not the commander of this installation, nor any other Air Force official right on up to the top.

And why are wives V.I.P.'s?

Because — by their loyalty and encouragement — they help keep up the morale of their husbands. Every Air Force official knows that high morale contributes a lot to top-notch efficiency.

Because by putting up with the inconvenience of frequent moves, inadequate housing at some Air Force installations and lack of other comforts, wives help insure success of the Air Force mission.

Because by donating several hours a week to Dependents As-

sistance Programs, the Red Cross and other worthy projects, wives give a substantial boost to the welfare of many air force families.

Also — for many other reasons too numerous to mention in a short editorial — the Air Force wife is a Very Important Person.

She's recognized as a V.I.P. by every segment of the Air Force.

She plays a key role in Air Force planning — and she'll continue to do so from here on out.

Joint Medical Care Directed By Defense

WASHINGTON (AFPS) — In a move to provide better and less expensive medical care for servicemen, the Defense Department has told the armed forces to begin preparing their medical facilities for "joint utilization."

A directive, signed by Deputy Defense Secretary Reuben B. Robertson Jr., states that joint use will be made of all existing medical and dental facilities, including clinical laboratories.

The directive calls for the hospitalization of military patients at the nearest medical facility capable of providing proper care, regardless of the individual's service affiliation.

Mr. Robertson said, "we believe that this directive constitutes another forward step in our efforts to eliminate duplication and pro-

vide better medical support to our military personnel."

The army, navy and air force secretaries have been told to place the new policy into operation immediately and to assure maximum tri-service coordination.

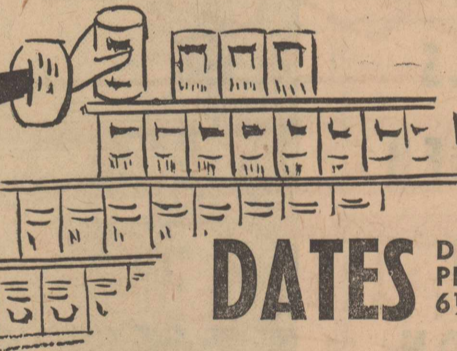
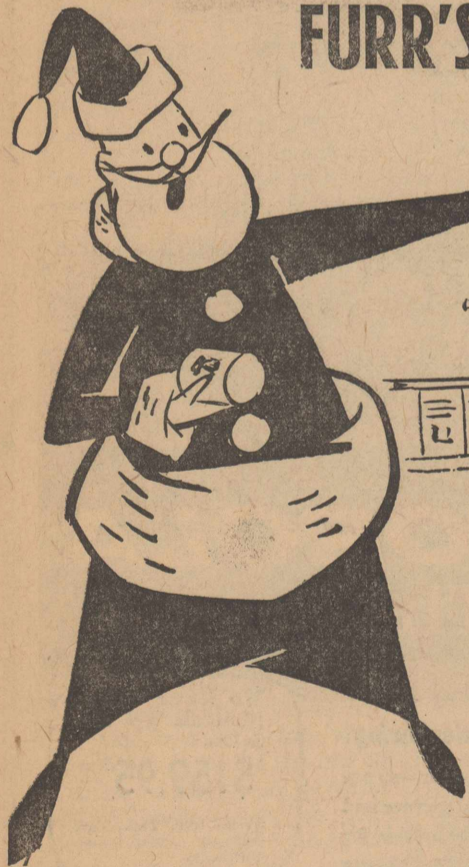
Other key provisions of the directive include:

1. Expansion of the use of specially trained personnel, particularly medical and dental corps reservists to conduct physical examinations for reserve units.
2. Joint planning of requirements for new medical construction.
3. Joint studies of preventive health and medicine policies.
4. Free exchange of organized training programs with a view towards standardization of training courses and their further joint utilization.



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November 'Airman Of The Month' Is Selected

Selection of A/IC Anthony T. Bernard of 3500th Support Squadron as Airman of the Month for November was announced recently by the selection committee of senior Non-Commissioned Officers.

Airman Bernard arrived at this base in October 1954 from basic training and is performing the duties of senior photographer and laboratory technician at the base photo lab. He was a member of the National Guard before joining the Air Force. Bernard has won several medals for weapons marksmanship.

He is a native of California and graduated from Fremont High School at Oakland, in June 1954.

He has completed the Extension Course Institute course for Photography and Laboratory technician. He recently received promotion to airman first class in the December quota.

He received a \$25 Savings Bond and will be the honored guest at a Lubbock Rotary Club luncheon.

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CONGRATULATIONS—A/IC Anthony T. Bernard of Base Photo Lab is congratulated by Maj. Ralph P. Elkins, Support squadron commander, after being named 'Airman of the Month' for November. (Photo by Roca)

Class 56-F To Receive Wings Tuesday

Forty-six new second lieutenants were added to the Air Force this morning in the base theater. Maj. Tobias Schindler, commander of the 3500th Pilot Training Squadron, administered the oath.

Major Schindler is to be master-of-ceremonies, while Chaplain (1st Lt.) Henry N. Dnuke will give the invocation and benediction.

In the past cadets became officers at graduation, at the same time receiving silver wings of the pilot. Special orders from FTAF, however, provided for the special services and action today.

Distinguished cadets, or those with extremely high grades in flying, academic, and military training, will be announced at the exercises. Each training school recently was instructed to select its own distinguished cadets on the bases of complete training grades. Previously higher headquarters had picked them on the basis of partial training accomplishments.

Graduation for Class 56-F is set for 9 a.m. Tuesday in the theater, with the Rev. David L. Zacharias, pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian church, as speaker. Col. James F. Mears, wing executive officer, is to introduce the speaker and present silver wings of the pilot. Maj. Sam L. Osver, commander of the 3501st Pilot Training Squadron, will assist in wings presentation. Lt. Col. John J. Bren-

nan, commander of the 3500th Pilot Training group, will award diplomas.

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- Anthony Glen, to 2nd Lt. and Mrs. John McDaniel, Dec. 9.
- William Leo, to 2nd Lt. and Mrs. William Szanzi, Dec. 9.
- Charles W. Jr., to 1st Lt. and Mrs. Charles W. Patrick, Dec. 10.
- Travis Lee Jr., to 2nd Lt. and Mrs. Travis L. Hext, Dec. 11.
- Michael Daniel, to A/IC and Mrs. Charles Stanley, Dec. 11.

GIRL:

- Lynne Ann, to 2nd Lt. and Mrs. Roger Berry, Dec. 1.
- Linda Diane, to A/2C and Mrs. Albert Jenkins, Dec. 1.
- Valerie Joyce, to S/Sgt. and Mrs. Floyd W. Brassfield, Dec. 4.
- Jeanna Faye, to S/Sgt. and Mrs. Wayne Oxford, Dec. 5.
- Nancy Rebecca, to S/Sgt. and Mrs. John W. Morrisset, Dec. 5.
- Recco Anne, to A/2C and Mrs. Arthur Bradshaw, Dec. 11.

Wing Surgeon Recovering

Col. Raymond A. Lawn, wing surgeon, was reported as recovering from a mild cerebral vascular attack which occurred Sunday. Colonel Lawn was admitted to the base hospital for observation where he will remain for several days it was said.

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SPORTS

By A/2C Maurice B. Ziegler

The Rattlers dropped two games to Clovis AFB last week end. The games were played at Clovis Friday night and the second Saturday afternoon. The first game saw Clovis winning 76 to 65 with Lt. Mike O'Connell scoring 27 points for the locals. Clovis won the second game 72-68.

The squadron dummy or warmup league completed play tonight at the base gym. Thirteen teams were represented in the league which has been operating the past two weeks. It was hard to note any especially strong team in the league as one night a team would be strong and fall the next time out. It looks like a real scramble when the regular league starts January 9.

Scores in the dummy league from December 8 to the present are as follows:

- Motor Vehicle 47—AACS 35
- Installations Group 51—Food Service 36
- Hospital won by a forfeit from Hq. M&S Group
- Flight Line Instructors 59—Support Squadron 20
- Hq. Sq. PTW 36—Pre-Cadets 28
- Air Police 65—3502nd Maint. 49
- Installations 50—Motor Vehicle 38
- PTG won by forfeit from AACS

This week end the Rattlers will meet Biggs AFB in two games tonight and Saturday at Biggs and will return to meet the Bell Milk team of Lubbock on Tuesday night at the Base gym. This will be the last of the scheduled games for the base team until after the Christmas holidays. They will meet Amarillo here January 9 and 10.

AF All-Stars Will Meet Texas Tech Cagers Monday Night

Members of the All Air Force basketball team participating in Olympic tryouts will meet the Texas Tech Red Raiders Monday night, December 19, in the Tech Gym, at 8 p.m.

The proceeds of the game will go to the Olympic Fund.

The game is part of a training program prior to the Olympic tryouts with the AF team consisting of former college stars like John Clune, formerly of Navy, Max Hooper of the University of Illinois, Williams Evans and Gayle Rose, former University of Kentucky cagers. A definite lineup will not be announced until after the team arrives.

Reese AFB is represented in the Olympic tryouts in the person of 2nd Lt. Bernard A. Janicki, former Duke University player. It is not known, however, if Janicki will be with the AF team this particular night.

The team including, a 16-man traveling squad, and coached by Bruce Drake, University of Oklahoma coach for the past 17 years, is scheduled to arrive at Reese Sunday afternoon and use housing facilities on the base.

Promotions

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Marvin R. Clayton, Ellsworth Fisher, Raymond W. Howe, Edward Hurtado and Ronald K. Woods, Hospital; Robert E. Everett, PTG; Ernest Bradbury, John A. Craig, James King, James S. Miguez, Donald W. Pack and Melvin R. Watts, 3505th Maint. sq.; Charles W. White, Jr., Food Service; Verdis L. Arnold, Nieves Badillo, James F. Cannon, Tommie C. Fuller and Kyle S. Scarborough, Hq. Sq. M&S group; Earnest C. Kineman, Ralph L. Diller, Sidney J. Amberg, Ronald W. Miller and Robert M. King, 3501st Maint. sq.; Billie E. Armstrong, Henry M. Bostic, Francis E. Burns, Burwin R. Compton and William Hastie, Installations; Anthony T. Bernard, Carmine L. Roca and John T. Smith, Support sq.

Airman Second Class

As of Wednesday the following airmen had received promotion to airman second class: John C. Ahern, Ronald Boswell, Clem W. Calhoun, Jr., James R. Dorsey, Don C. Garrett, Charles F. Hohman, Charles L. Ivester, Corlis R. Mackey and Rohn L. Trickett, Air Police; Lester W. Fleetwood, John H. Gray, John W. Bancroft, Frank J. Deneale, Roy L. Shephard, Dale H. Gartin, Robert A. Grimes, Chesley O. James, Frederic L. Boyd, Charles M. Solley, Charles H. Blanks, Robert J. Woodard, Stewart E. Bailey, Nathaniel C. Waggoner, Daniel M. Shanahan, Michael E. Bryan and Joseph Agostino, 3501st Maint. sq.; Leon C. Scott, Hq. Sq. M&S Group; Joseph L. Abbott, Lindsay F. Lathan, Philip Tomak, Food Service; George W. Aikens, William T. Allison, Jerry D. Hopkins, John J. Metroz, Kenneth L. Newcomer, Cecil Ochoa, Harry Sell and Bernard E. Winegar, 3505th Maint. sq.; Jerry W. Julian, Hospital; Zack R. Brooks and John A. Parker, Jr., Hq. Sq. Sec. PTW; Richard Hardesty and Richard L. Pierce, Motor Vehicle sq.; Norman Brinkley, Jr., and Michael J. Gross, Support sq.; Jewel Graves, Jr., James F. Gore, Robert E. Rains, Hugh D. Hamilton, Robert R. Kusky, Gary L. Johns, Jackson F. Parks, Earl S. Sheets, Harold H. Goehmann, and Guy V. England, 3502nd Maint. sq.



ACCEPT TROPHY — A/1C William Merritt, left and Maj. Vernon R. Stutts, 3502nd Maintenance squadron commander receive the 1955 squadron League football trophy from 2nd Lt. John P. Lee, personnel services officer. Merritt was coach of the squadron team. (Photo by Haynes).

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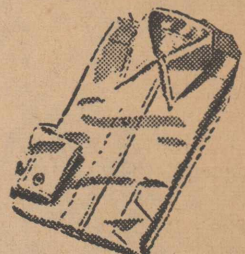
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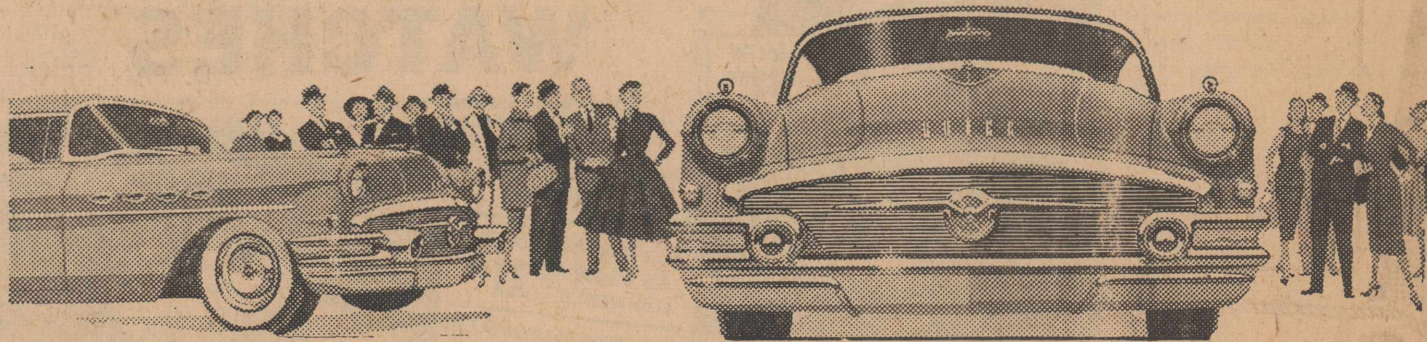
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Personnel of Reese Air Force Base went through the 20-day Safe Driving Day period ending Sunday night without a reportable accident.

The period began November 21, extending 10 days before and 10 days after Safe Driving Day, December 1. Efforts were made to evade accidents. Reese AFB duplicated its accident-free period of 1954.

Colonel West called attention to the fact two airmen were involved in an automobile accident December 4, with their automobile badly damaged. The airmen, however, suffered injuries requiring only first aid treatment and it was not necessary to make a report on the accident to higher headquarters.

Reese officials were notified that four fatalities occurred to Air Force personnel on S-D Day. Two died in Air Training Command and two in Strategic Air Command.

During the 20-day period the Air Police squadron was the only unit to operate without a single accident. For all units there were 26 accidents, as compared with 37, one disabling, for a similar period

in 1954. The APs had two accidents in the 1954 period. Most squadrons made reductions.

The 3500th and 3501st Pilot Training squadrons came out all even in their contest for the best driving record. Majors Tobias Schindler and Sam L. Osver, squadron commanders, agreed to serve one day as an instructor pilot, under command of the other, if their squadron lost to the other. The 00th had two first aid accidents, both in athletic contests, while the 01st had one accident, not involving driving. These were not credited to the contest.

Accidents in other squadrons included:

Unit	1955	1954
Hq Sq Sec, PTW Support	1	1
Food Service	1	1
Motor Vehicle	1	5
Hospital	1	0
Hq, PTG	3	0
3500th PTS	2	5
3501st PTS	1	5
Hq Sq Sec, M&S	1	3
3501st Maint	7	3
3502nd Maint	2	3
3505th Maint	3	8
Instl Sq	2	4



Sportsmen

The base recreational bus available to all military personnel for hunting and fishing trips. The bus is equipped with cooking and sleeping facilities. Interested personnel should contact the Personnel Services Officer, Ext. 283 or 612.

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The ROUNDUP will not be published next Friday, December 23 due to the Christmas holidays. There will, however, be a New Year's edition on December 30.

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Safe Driving Practices Stressed By RAFB Men Going On Leave

Reese personnel, seeking an enjoyable holiday with relatives, are expected to travel a couple of million miles on the highways this year and most of them are looking for heavy hazards on the highways, ground safety supervisors said Thursday.

"It is pleasing to note that so many of the people on the base are giving serious thought to driving conditions," Joe Lopez, ground safety adviser, said. "With this alertness, it would appear that Reese might again come through the Christmas-New Year holiday season with an outstanding safety record."

Typical outlook of the personnel planning long trips is contained, it was pointed out, in statements of these airmen:

Expects Dusty Weather

A/2C John A. Parker, headquarters squadron section, PTW: "I am going about 400 miles each way to Blanco, N. Mex., and it probably will take about 10 hours each way. Dust and sandstorms probably will give the greatest hazard. I plan to stop until conditions become safe, in case I run into a storm. Then, too, I expect to allow plenty of time for all unforeseen hazards."

A/2C Charles C. Whitney, 3502nd Flight Line Maintenance squadron: "It's about 1,600 miles to Bay City, Mich., where I will spend the holidays. Driving fatigue and icy roads will be the most common hazards encountered. I am going to be rested when I start out on the highway and I'm going to rest along the way, when I feel tired. I also plan to keep close check on conditions ahead. I want to get home and back safely, for sure."

To Drive 2,000 Miles

A/2C Michael Nishti, Jr., pre-cadet: "I'll drive close to 2,000 miles to reach Ansonia, Conn., and home. Driving fatigue and bright headlights should present the present the greatest hazards. To meet these conditions, we in the car plan to change drivers frequently and to travel slowly at night."

A/1C Joe B. Stacy, USAF hospital: "Ice and snow, along with heavy travel, should be the greatest hazards between Reese and my home in North Judson, Ind. I know I can get home safely if I adjust my speed to road and weather conditions. I don't plan to go too many miles a day, either. If I watch the other drivers and

use extreme caution, there should be little difficulty getting there and back safely."

M/Sgt. Robert W. Hoover, sergeant-major, Air Base group: "There will be ice and snow, no doubt, between the base and Princeton, Ill., where I plan to spend the holidays. A major hazard in the 1,100 miles each way may be cars popping out of side roads onto the highway. My auto speed will be adjusted, as far as possible, to the road and weather conditions. If conditions get too bad, I'll just stop for a while. I'm going to keep my eyes on those side roads and hope we make it safely."

A/1C John N. Rewjuk, Installations group: "There will be heavy traffic between Lubbock and Houston, in addition to drunks and speeders. I'm going to watch every foot of the way, especially at intersections. The other driver may be a problem, but I'll keep out of his way if I can."

Airman Receives ROTC Commission

Harold E. Willard, who served a year and a half as an airman in the United States Air Force after becoming eligible for duty as an officer, became a second lieutenant Tuesday at Reese Air Force Base.

Willard, airman first class, had been assigned to duty at Reese AFB as chaplain's assistant for over a year. He completed AF-ROTC training almost two years ago and was eligible for appointment as an officer. However, he was advised there would be a delay until additional funds for officers had been set aside. Willard agreed to serve two years as an enlisted man. However, his appointment as an officer came through six months earlier than anticipated.

Goes To England

Sgt. Thomas Mullaney of M&S headquarters squadron section has been re-assigned to duty in Manston, England, reporting for shipment overseas late in January or early in February. He is re-assigned to the 3rd Air Force.

Airman Willard, resident of Sumner, Wash., was discharged Monday and the following day assumed officer status. He will be assigned as assistant personnel officer.



CHANGES STATUS — Harold E. Willard, chaplain's assistant the last year, made a sudden shift to officer status Tuesday. After waiting 18 months for his commission to come through, he became a second lieutenant in wing personnel. He takes his oath, administered by Maj. Richard W. Davis, military personnel officer. (Photo by Bernard).

LAFFS

Papa bird is reported to have complained to Mama bird one morning, "Can you beat it? Just about the time we get a nest egg laid away more bills accumulate."

Hubby was greeted at the homestead door by his angry wife at 5 a.m. "So home is the best place after all," she snorted. "I don't know about that," her mate replied, "but it's the only place open."

That same Robinson Crusoe was the first man to win the 40-hour week. His work was done by Friday.

Two mosquitos were resting on Robinson Crusoe's arm. "I'm leaving you now," said one, "I'll see you on Friday."

In my predicament a sneeze is dangerous to venture—mouth shut I'm apt to blow my top, if open, I lose my denture.

English Holiday Remembered

It will be another happy Christmas this year for Audrey Crawford, wife of the academic captain. But there was a time — in fact, seven years of it — when Christmas was not the happiest.

Mrs. Crawford grew up in London and "things were pretty rough from the time I was 13 for about seven years."

Mrs. Crawford spent one Christmas in a bomb shelter, with little to eat. Other Christmases she spent with her parents and other members of the family at home.

"It was bleak," she said. "You

never knew when there would be a bomb raid, perhaps a machine gunning. The Christmas bombings dropped off as the years went by, but there was always the threat of having to quit eating and hit for the cellar. I went through one machine-gunning of the streets, although it wasn't on Christmas. But the threat was there."

Mrs. Crawford's mother began saving food coupons and food for Christmas along in September. Each person got two ounces of butter or fat and two ounces of cheese a week; there was one egg per

person a month; 25 cents worth of meat; and rationing of all food and fuel. In cold weather houses were cold and wraps were always worn. So, in order to have a Christmas meal there was a cutting of portions for weeks. The result, perhaps, was a chicken or turkey for Christmas, maybe an extra can of peaches.

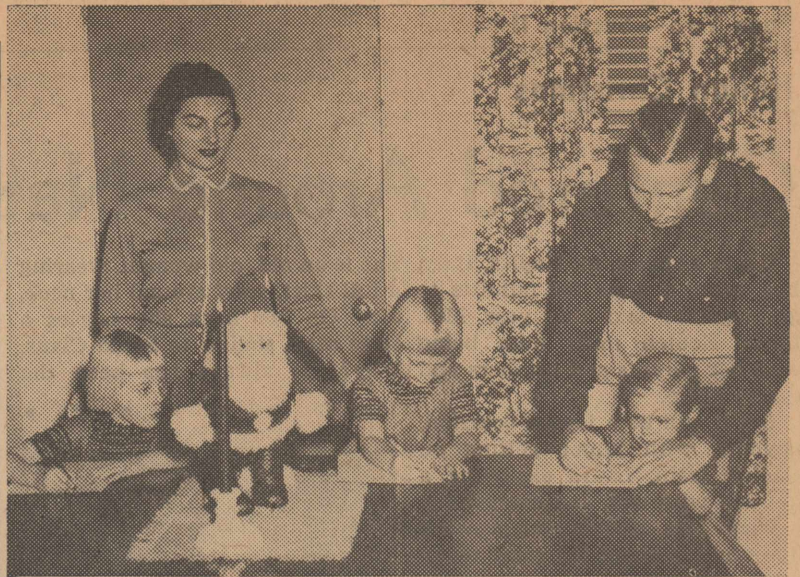
For eight years Mrs. Crawford did not taste a banana; fresh fruit was very scarce. Even if the merchants wanted to, he didn't have the food for their customers.

Christmas in England, even now, brings more subdued decorations than those in the United States. Gifts are given on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day. Father Christmas is in the stores and homes, looking much like Santa Claus. Stockings are hung over the fire place. There is the festive pudding, with threepenny bits baked in it and the children eating pudding as fast as they can to get as many pieces of money as possible.

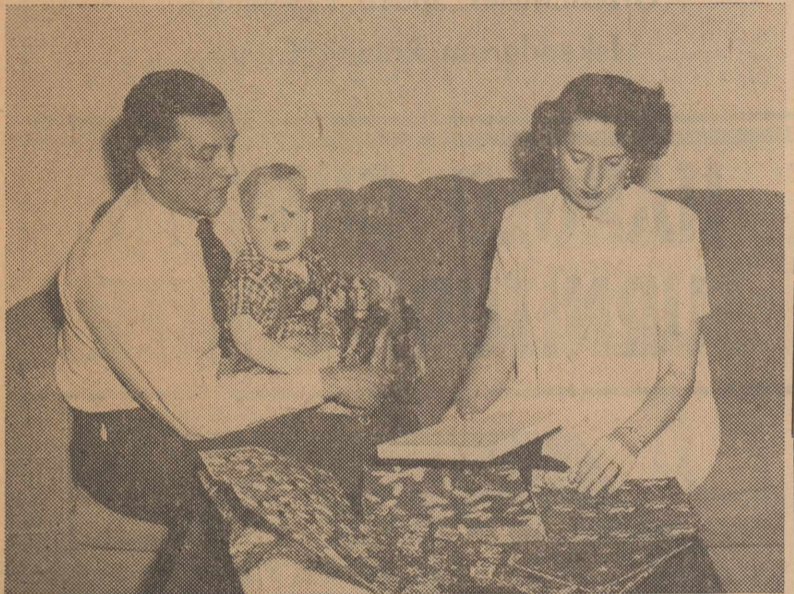
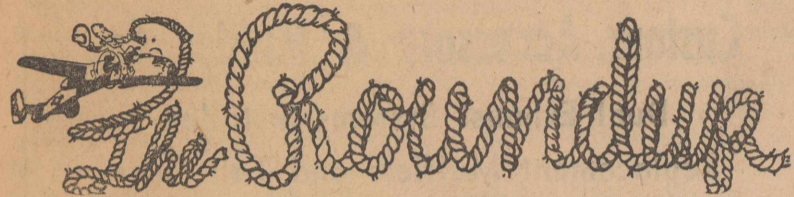
During the war years there was not much Christmas spirit in England, Mrs. Crawford remembers. Gifts were of "pathetic" quality, and few people had money or coupons for much. Wrappings were inferior, Christmas tree lighting with candles which were permitted to burn about ten minutes.

December 26 brings a second holiday which is a big hunting day for those who can afford it, mainly country folks. The hunters go out on Boxing Day with their hounds to hunt the fox. They ride and shoot till noon, then back for lunch, and some cocktails and gaiety in the manor house. Gifts for the servants are in order.

The Dutch of New Netherlands were among the first to use "Merry Christmas" as a salutation on Christmas Day.



DEAR SANTA — The three girls of Capt. and Mrs. Gale E. Crawford had a few things in mind as they wrote Santa Claus of Christmas desires. Ricia Susan, 7, left, waits for father to tell her how to spell bicycle. Kevin Gail, 5, center, apparently doesn't need any help with her message, but Margo Lynn, 3, gets some assistance in writing. (Photo by Houchin)



SURE IS PRETTY — S/Sgt. and Mrs. Gerald Houchin and their son, Eddie, look over wrapping paper as they think of the packages ahead to wrap. Eddie takes time out from his heavy duties to face the camera.

In Germany

Christmas Begins December 1; Ends With Three-Day Observance

The Christmas season which began December 1 will come to an end with the three-day observance, December 24-26, in Johannesburg, Germany, on the Rhine river, home of Mrs. Charlotte Houchin, 349 Arnold drive, Reese Village.

Mrs. Houchin was of a middle class family in this village which was owned half by the Baron of Mumm, half by the First Metonish. The hillsides were covered with vines and the best wine in the world was made there. But she grew up in the war years and in the lean years which followed.

Life was not too lush in the village and Christmas toys received were all useful—such as clothing—in her home. There was the doll, and sometimes a buggy. Gifts were not many at the holiday season. Of course, in the rich homes things were much better. But for the Zieglers, including Charlotte, Christmas was a happy, but not too prosperous time. The youngsters went to the baron's mansion for gifts and sweets.

On Christmas Eve, or Holy Eve, the little tree was decorated, papa rang a bell, and the youngsters filed in and received their gifts. The Christmas angel had arrived. There was singing of hymns while papa played the accordion. Christmas was quiet, as was the third holiday, December 26. The main meal included roast pork, red cabbage, and potato dumplings—big dumplings. In the richer homes

there was a turkey, or goose, or chicken. There were some cookies, and some candies.

From Christmas until New Year's there is concentration on what the new year will bring. Everyone eats sauer kraut at least twice during the week in the belief they will become rich during the new year. No one does any washing of clothes or they will be forced to wash every day during the next year.

Mrs. Houchin is the daughter of a master sergeant in the German Army, killed in Luxemburg during World War II. Her brother, Paul Ziegler, concert accordionist, is coming to live with her. She hopes he arrives by Christmas.

In other countries, Santa Claus is called Christkindl, Saint Nicholas, or Shen Koll.



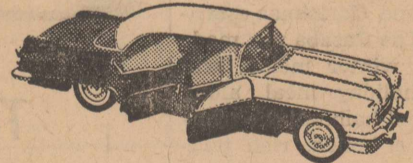
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Italian Christmas

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Christmas in Naples, Italy, has been a time for families to get together and this year Mrs. Lucia Hooten must miss being with her parents and brothers and sisters again.

But it will be a joyous occasion, anyhow, with junior getting an electric train, Laura expecting a big doll with bed, and everything.

When Mrs. Hooten was growing up—and it's about the same today—the observance in each home centered around the Presepio, or reproduction of Bethlehem. There is the hill, the small people, the manger, the hay, and as nearly as possible, surroundings of the nativity area.

On Christmas Eve families gather to prepare the big meal. But they attend midnight mass and have communion, if possible, before eating. Returning from the mass, everyone plays bingo all night for small gifts, everyone partakes of the variety of wine and there is a big celebration. In homes without Presepios the observance is around a small bed and baby. The meal has no meat, but centers around fish. Everyone shoots off firecrackers. Christmas Day has its later meal with boiled chicken and vegetables.

All day the families stay home together, with little, if any, visiting by friends. There are no gifts.

Throw Out The Old

Then comes New Year's Eve and everyone throws out the old and gets ready for the new. Old clothes, old furniture, everything old goes out the window. New Year's day morning finds streets and yards cluttered up. Firecrackers and shouting greet the new year at midnight. Early in the new year the village trucks gather up the debris.

January 6 is the day for exchange of gifts, with everyone giving what they can afford. Befona, the old woman, gives the gifts.

Casaba Pie Features Bermuda Yule Meal

There'll be the same festive puddings, the same Casaba pie, the same Boxing day this Christmas season in Bermuda, but Mrs. Joy Sisk, Reese's representative from that country, will be celebrating in Lubbock with her husband, S/Sgt. O. J. Sisk.

For the Catholics of Bermuda celebration will center around midnight mass, while the Protestants will attend Christmas morning services. The Casaba pie, made of the sweet winter melon, will feature the holiday meal, along with turkey and ham, all the trimmings, and the boiled, rich pudding which somewhat resembles a rich fruit cake. All the family will assemble for the day's celebration, with exchange of gifts and festivities generally like those of the United States.

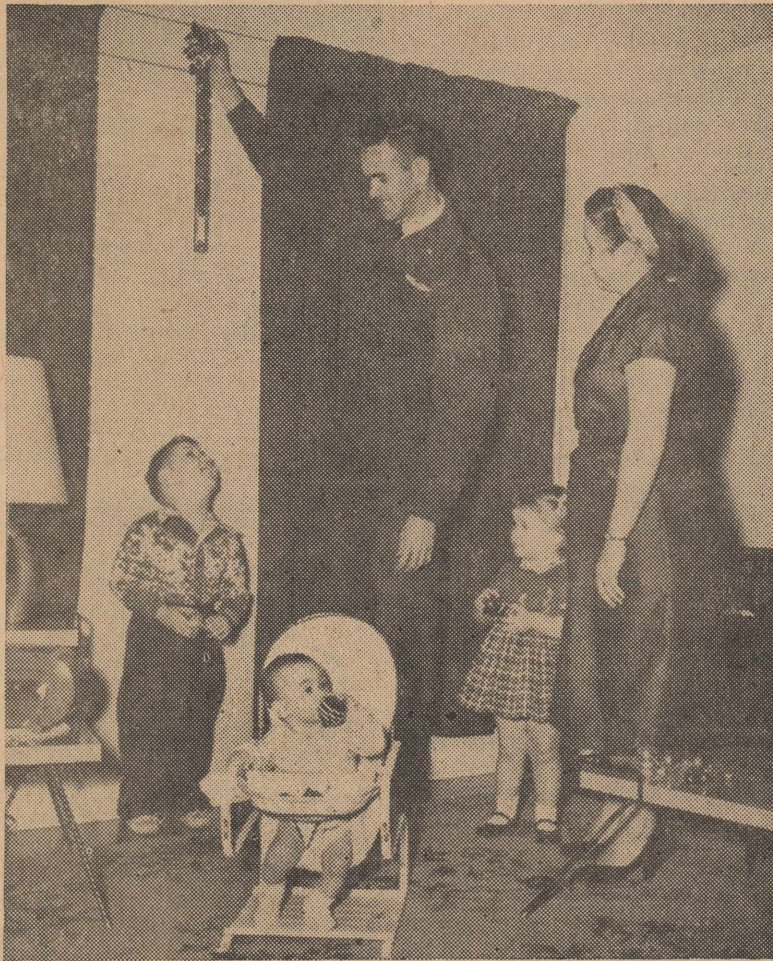
December 26 brings the annual Boxing Day, or the day in olden times set aside as the slaves' Christmas day. In slave days, these people not free worked hard all day Christmas, particularly looking after interests of their masters. Then, on the day after Christmas, they had their holiday, receiving presents, feasting, and generally enjoying themselves unfettered. Now the servants get advantage of Boxing Day as of old.

"But now they get two days — Christmas and the day after," Mrs. Sisk commented.

Christmas in Bermuda is not hot, not cold. Most people wear a sweater.

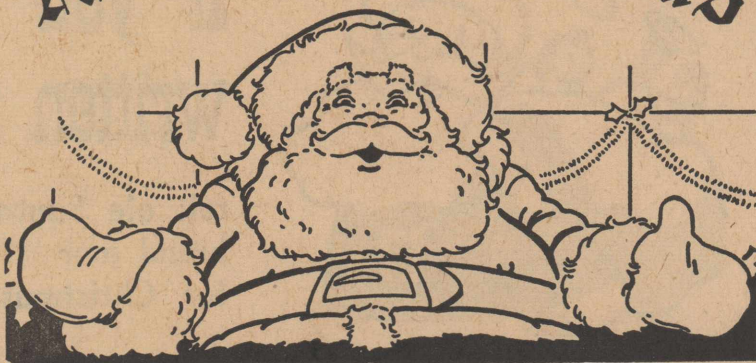
The name Christmas comes from the early English term Christens Masse, meaning Christ's Mass.

She is an old, old woman, wearing a full skirt, scarf around her neck, etc. On her back she carries a large sack, similar to Santa Claus. Why? It always has been the custom, Mrs. Hooten, 215 Mitchell drive, Reese Village, said. Her husband, 1st Lt. Leon Hooten, the IP, said that's the way it is and no one knows exactly why.



LOOKS GOOD, DADDY — The wife and children of 1st Lt. Leon Hooten give approval to a test hang of first Christmas decorations in their home at 215 Mitchell drive. Eddie holds a new ornament as he cranes his neck, while Laura Marie helps her mother. Little Diana apparently holds little interest in decorations. (Photo by Houchin)

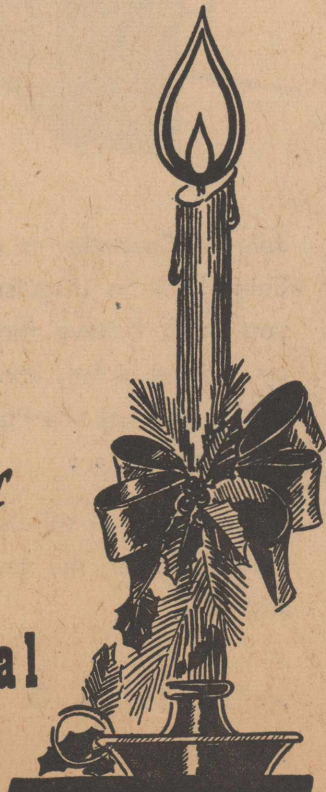
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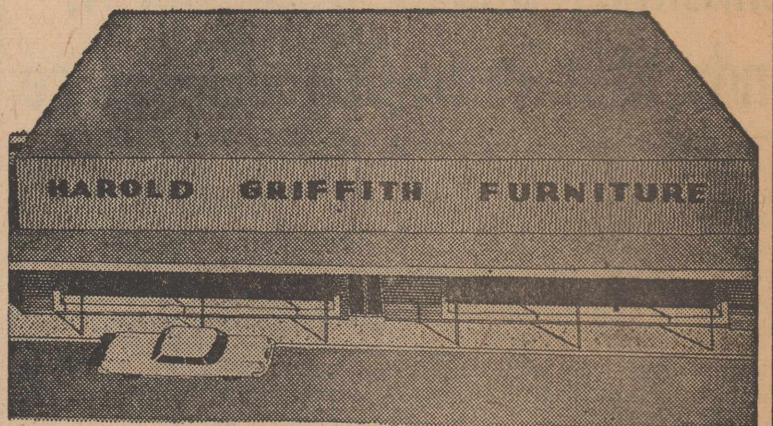
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French Hold Celebrations At Christmas-New Years

Midnight services and then celebration in reveillon de noel until well after daybreak will mark Christmas in Nice, France, again this year. And the thoughts of Mrs. Jeanine Dempsey, 200 Mitchell drive, Reese Village, will be back there.

Mrs. Dempsey spent last Christmas in Alaska. She's the wife of T/Sgt. Riley Dempsey of the 3502nd Flight Maintenance squadron.

In Nice and throughout much of France there is observance of Christmas much like in the United States. Papa Noel does the same things as Santa Claus and looks much like him. Stockings are hung by chimneys or elsewhere and there is the same exchange of

gifts. Sabots, or chocolate shoes, will sit around until their contents and themselves are eaten.

From midnight mass all good Frenchmen will go to the reveillon de noel, or Christmas dinner, which is served at home or at all restaurants and cafes. Turkey, or dinde, is the main dish and there are all the trimmings, Mrs. Dempsey declares. All manner of wine is served and the celebration cannot end before 5 or 6 o'clock. Most celebrations run on into the day. The dessert is the heavy, rich Christmas log, a special cake.

The Christmas season throughout France runs until New Years as in the U. S. The reveillon de noel is repeated on New Year's Eve and New Year's day.

Guatemala Celebration

Centered Around The Family

If 2nd Lt. and Mrs. Francisco Gonzalez were home they would have been celebrating Christmas for two weeks or more. For in Guatemala about December 1 the citizens start their nightly parades and visitations in the Holy Mystery which terminates Christmas.

The Christmas observance centers around the family and everyone gathers at the home of the oldest, with emphasis on the father's side of the family, as far as possible.

"There is one exception," the lieutenant said. "that is for engaged couples. Here the girl generally leaves her family to observe the actual Christmas observance with the family of her husband-to-be."

Lieutenant and Mrs. Gonzalez want to be with their families for Christmas, but since this is impossible, part of their family is visiting them. Mr. and Mrs. Ramiro Polanco, parents of Mrs. Gonzalez, came up from Guatemala to spend the holidays. All four hope to be in Los Angeles or New York for Christmas day.

The lieutenant says from December 1 on, people of Guatemala walk the streets at night, sounding tunes on shells and other native instruments and singing. They have notified relatives of specific nights on which they will drop in for a visit. So there are many banquets and heavy meals, attended by prayer and some dancing. Starting with about the middle of the month stores all stay open late, some until midnight, through December 24.

Everyone has a tree of a size and quality depending on their means. Some trees are pine, some artificial and small. Every home has a nacimiento, or reproduction of a villege scene of the night on the manger. Prizes are offered which Christ was born. Small reproductions of animals, trees, bushes, streets, and other things of a village scene of the night on throughout Guatemala for the best nacimientos.

Comes Christmas Eve and all children are sent to bed very early. They are awakened about 10 p. m. and there under the tree are all the gifts for everyone. Sometimes there is a Sanata Claus, if the family has arranged a uniform. Sometimes Santa gets to some of the larger stores. Sometimes he wanders around the streets, asking boys and girls what they want for Christmas, have they been good boys and girls, and other things.

At 11 o'clock there is a big dinner, with all anyone and everyone can eat. Promptly at 11:50 everyone quits eating and goes to mass. After mass, parties are on.

"There's no limit on time," Lieutenant Gonzalez said. "Some are private parties, some are at night

Religious Services Prominent

Four-Day Fiesta Begins Holiday In Guam

Christmas on Guam is not much different than at Reese, except that the temperature runs around 85 degrees and the man in uniform provides all the candy for all the kids, A/IC Jose Cruz of the base hospital says of his native land.

In his home town of Santa Barbara the Christmas season started December 4 with a four-day fiesta. Then came regular church obser-

vances and general concentration on the holiday season. Christmas Eve there will be the special Christmas mass, then all citizens will retire to their homes for exchange of gifts and celebration around the trees. There will be no artificial trees, but all will be highly decorated. Families will be together and there will be singing of carols and other songs.

Christmas day the servicemen

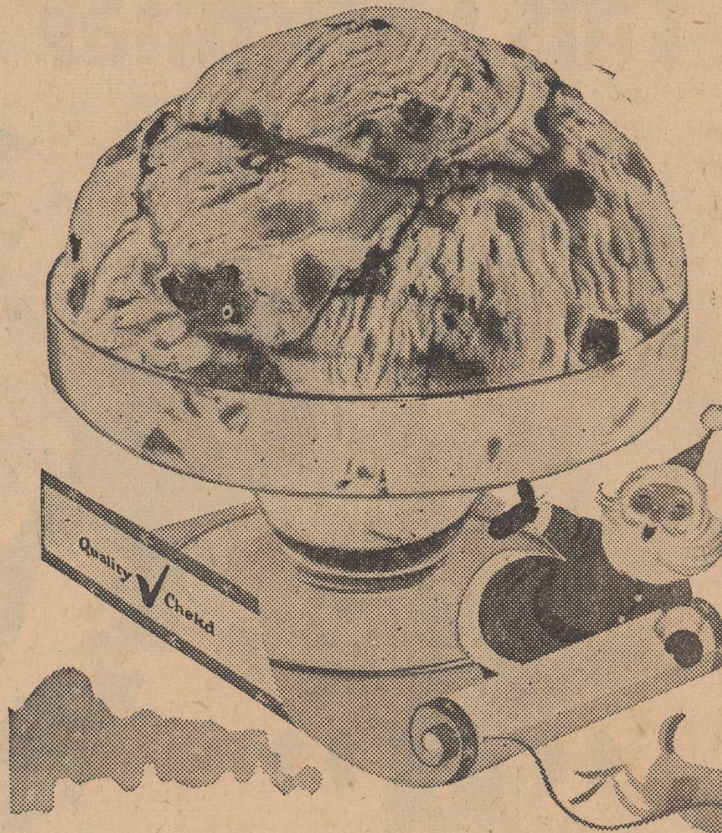
will visit all villages and pass out candy from trucks and other vehicles to the children.

From Christmas until New Year's there will be daily special masses, a unique holiday feature for the island, and things will return to normal January 1.

"Guam is a highly religious island and Christmas is the biggest occasion, of course," Airman Cruz declared.



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Lack Of Recipe Eliminates Irish Treat

No Dumpling In Riley Holiday Menu

Mrs. John D. Riley, 202 Mitchell Drive, would like to have made one of those Christmas dumplings this year like her family had and has at home in Northern Ireland. But her mother never had a recipe and, therefore, can't pass it along.

"She always made the big dumpling three weeks before Christmas, just like all the mothers around do," Mrs. Riley said. "It was boiled for hours in a big cloth and

then until Christmas it was hung up. Ours always was behind the kitchen door. On Christmas day we took the cloth off, poured whisky or brandy over it, and lit the liquid. I surely would like one of those dumplings this year. But my mother just never had a recipe."

The dumpling is a feature attraction around Larne, County Antrim, Northern Ireland, and other parts of the land. It's almost like

the Christmas puddings in England; except it has the Irish touch.

There's the regular red candle in the window this year in the home of the O'Tooles in Larne. Mrs. Riley, the former Ellen O'Toole, used to cut out the hole in the turnip to set the candle in while it burned as a beacon to the Holy Family in case it was looking for a place to stay. The doors of Northern Ireland are not locked on Christmas Eve so the Holy Family may come in.

Christmas in Northern Ireland is a solemn day. Families stay at home; there is no heavy drinking or carousing. The mid-day meal is a heavy one, built around the turkey and ham, as in the United States. Father Christmas has been in the stores and homes. Stockings have been hung by the chimneys or elsewhere and there are presents.

"Christmas is mostly for the children," Mrs. Riley said. "Those who can, give presents to relatives and friends who are adults. I never remember my father and mother exchanging gifts. But we youngsters always were remembered."

There's the midnight mass for Catholics and a general quietness throughout the day.

Religious Thoughts, Actions, Mark Celebration Throughout Venezuela

The Christmas celebration in Venezuela centers around the family and Christmas Eve, two residents of that country, Bonito A. Tovar and Mariano J. Marquez, aviation cadets in Class 56-J, assert.

"It really is a family affair," Cadet Tovar declares. "All the uncles, and aunts, and grandparents, and nieces, and nephews, everyone gets together."

At around 8 o'clock on Christmas Eve there is the gathering in keeping with assembly to follow the Evening Star. There is music and dancing until around 9 o'clock, and then comes a big dinner. After the dinner there is exchange of gifts and around 11:30 the whole family takes off from home for the midnight mass.

There is solemnity after the mass and most folks go home to sleep. The children place their shoes in conspicuous spots where they must be seen; when they awaken—most of the time around 3:30 to 4 a. m.—they will find a lot of little gifts in the shoes.

"There is no sleeping after that," Marquez commented.

The children believe the "three magicians" who in the United

States are the "wisemen" fill their shoes.

In every home there is a reproduction of the nativity scene, complete with small animals, small people, and miniature trees and bushes. Ceilings of blue through which the stars shine are in evidence. All reproduction is intended to resemble Christ's day as nearly as possible, even to dress.

Cadets Tovar and Marquez, one from the east of Venezuela, the latter from the central part, both will remain in Texas for Christmas, although they may take a brief trip to San Antonio to visit relatives. The Christmas celebration differs somewhat in the eastern and central areas of their homeland; but in the main, it is the same. In the east, Christmas day is spent on the beach by most folks; in the central area there are more picnics inland.

"When the children allow you so little sleep, then you must rest and relax during the day," Marquez said.

A Christmas honey cake called "lebkuchen" is a favorite in German homes.

Ecuador Student Missing Fifth Christmas At Home With Family

Celebration of the Christmas season starts today in the home of Cadet Carlos Mino, Class 56-N, in Guayaquil, Ecuador, but it merely marked the fifth time the Reese trainee will miss the holiday observance.

"It is difficult to get the true Christmas spirit when you are so far away from your family," Mino commented. "This is the fifth year I will be away. Every year has found me training, and in previous years our studies have forbidden return home. Maybe next year it will be different."

The Christmas season in Ecuador lasts from December 16 until January 7, the latter date marking the day on which the three kings are believed to have visited the Christ child. Christmas Eve there is the family gathering and dinner, along with the exchange of gifts. Gifts for the children are emphasized, but relatives and friends generally receive something, Mino states. Papa Noel, who looks much like the United States Santa Claus, is prominent in the shopping areas and in homes.

Christmas Eve also is a time for many parties and for lighting of the highly decorated trees.

New Year's eve also is a time for celebration in Ecuador, with the unique custom of stuffing up dummies of persons not liked.

Everyone Is Happy In All Philippines, Sergeant Recalls

Flowers — music — everyone eating and visiting — happiness for everyone — that is Christmas in the Philippines which T/Sgt. Lorenzo Oloresissimo of the Reese hospital staff remembers.

The Philippines, the sergeant cites, were the first to accept Christianity in the East. For the islands the holiday season is a major religious occasion, with the Christian population generally observing Catholic customs. December 1, he said, marked the beginning of the Catholic year and it began regular observance of the Christmas season. Christmas music and daily masses are held until December 25. Santa Claus is in the stores and on the streets. The masses are special, with no flowers at the altar and no gloria.

Then, on Christmas Eve, altars are filled to overflowing with flowers and the music becomes enthusiastic.

"Everybody is so happy," Sergeant Oloresissimo declared. "Everyone is singing; everyone is visiting everywhere. You drop into all homes and you are offered cakes and candies and tea and coffee and other things. If you do not eat, then you are insulting."

The sergeant came to Reese from Korea. He has been in service 13 years and has spent 10 of them overseas.

This year his Christmas will be centered around his daughter, Kimberley, 27 months old.

Streets are filled with parades and each person is expected to prepare a dummy of an individual he or she dislikes. This dummy is filled with firecrackers and at midnight these are lighted. The streets are filled with shouts of glee and miniature explosions as minor enemies are blown to bits. People wish on coins and the New Year, always expected to be the greatest, is underway.

Cadet Carlos Mino cannot get home for the holidays, but he will go to Mexico City.

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Christmas Gaiety Show Gains Foothold In US

Older than the United States itself, celebration of Christmas in this land goes back to 1528 when five Franciscan missionaries observed the holy day in Florida.

First Celebrated In 1645

One of the earliest documented records of Christmas in the New World was made by a French Roman Catholic priest, Father Vincent, who described the observance of the holiday at a Huron mission in 1645 at what is now Mackinaw City, Mich.

Celebrating the birth of Christ was not widespread, however, in the early days of our country, particularly in New England. The Pilgrims brought with them a Puritan aversion to undue merriment that traditionally marked Christmas in England before the days of Cromwell.

A century ago, when Irish and German immigrants came with their ancient Christmas traditions, the old spirit of the festival came fully alive again. Replicas of the Nativity began to appear in churches, lights shone from windows, and Christmas trees—considered a pagan symbol by some—began to grace homes of the faithful.

Dutch Brought Santa

Santa Claus settled in New York with the Dutch. At first gaunt and thin, the old man put on quite a bit of weight and developed a ruddy countenance as he grew older.

Elaborate ornaments appeared in later years and the lights that originally had circled the base of the fir tree appeared in the

branches. Today, the glittering tree spreads a message of light and prayers for peace for men of good will throughout the world. (AFPS)

Children in Poland believe that each year on Christmas Eve angels descend to earth on Jacob's ladder to bring peace and good-will to mankind.

Airman To See First American Christmas

Japanese Celebration Springs Up After War

All his life S/Sgt. Robert Kimoto of Installations group has wanted to see Christmas celebrated as it is in the United States. This year he will get his wish.

Kimoto, a Buddhist, arrived in the United States from Japan last March and came immediately to Reese AFB. As a boy he spent World War II days in Tokyo and Shanghai, joining the United States Air Force as soon as possible. He served in Tokyo prior to being assigned to Reese.

Back in Tokyo, he said, the few churches observe Christmas with religious services.

"Before the war," he commented, "there was scarcely any observance of Christmas. But now, it is a big holiday. Dance halls are open 24 hours a day during the Christmas - New Year season. There is a lot of drining and carousing. But the Christmas spirit is missing; there is little religious attitude."

He said there is some gift ex-

changing, and some decorated trees. There is seldom a "White Christmas", because the snow doesn't come until later. Nearly everyone has rice cakes and red-eye fish for the holidays.

"Every holidays there are rice cakes, just like you toast a marshmallow," Kimoto declared.

"I want to see how Christmas is really celebrated; I've heard so much about it. No one can tell you like it really is."



Season's Greetings From The Persident

The Christmas season is a time for the renewal of hope for peace and justice and good will throughout the earth.

To all of you who serve our nation at home or abroad, I send my warm Christmas greetings and good wishes. May the coming year be one of good heath and happiness for you and yours, and one of continued progress toward justice and brotherhood among peoples everywhere.

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Native Of Russia Planning Good Old American Yule

John (formerly Ivan) Rewjuk presumes the Christmas - New Years period back in Russia, his native land, will be the same as usual this year; but he will be celebrating an American Christmas with his mother, brother, and step-father in Houston.

Rewjuk, airman first class, spent his young days in Russia. When his father disappeared, his mother took the youngsters and fled to Austria. There she married again and the family came to the United States. Her oldest son, Ivan, enlisted in the United States Air Force and was assigned to Reese AFB. Two years ago he was naturalized and changed his name to John. He married Betty Jo Pleasant of Abilene, a Texas Tech student.

"There is no Christmas in Russia," Rewjuk declared. "It is the same today as when I was a boy there. There is a tree on New Year's Day. Those who can afford it have a tree at home; and the

A Christmas Prayer

Our Father, who has declared Thy love to men by the birth of the Holy Child of Bethlehem, help us to be aware of the timelessness of Christmas. May we see that the message of the manger is as limitless as Thy love and as timeless as eternity.

As we contemplate the significance of this holy season, humble us with the thought of what Thou has done for us, and inspire us with the consciousness of what we can do for Thee.

Facing the responsibilities of the new year, we dedicate ourselves, our hands, our minds, and our whole energies, to those things which are worthy of ourselves and pleasing to Thee. This prayer we make in the name of Him whose birth we celebrate. Amen.

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Chileans Plan To Visit Washington

Promotions Welcome Presents For Students

Three newly promoted Reese students from Chile plan to spend Christmas this year at the Chilean embassy in Washington, together with other Chileans in the United States. The embassy has sent out invitations to the 14 members of the class and to others from the South American nation.

Going from Reese by automobile will be Enzo DiNocera, Ricardo France, and Raul Valenzuela, all of whom on December 12 became second lieutenants in the Chilean Air Force. December 12 is promotion day throughout the armed forces of Chile and the three Reese men moved up from the ranks of alferaz, a rank which is between that of aviation cadet

and officer.

Down in Chile the celebration of Christmas is not much different than that in the United States, the three students declare. There is the family dinner around 9 o'clock on Christmas Eve, then a midnight mass for the Catholic population, and exchange of gifts on return home from the church. Families retire around 2 or 3 o'clock Christmas morning and arise as they like. The afternoon and evening is spent with social calls at homes of relatives and friends.

The Christmas tree has its place in most homes and in each parlor is a reproduction of the nativity scene in Bethlehem. At all gatherings there is singing of about the

same songs as those of the Christmas season in the U.S., with a couple of carols added. In stores and homes the Viejo Pascuero appears, looking quite like the U. S. Santa Claus and filling the same function. It is summer in Chile and shirt sleeves are in evidence.

A big attraction in the holiday social life of Chile at Christmas time, the Reese students declare, is a drink called cola de mono. That will be available in quantity at the Chilean embassy. It includes milk, cognac, rum, and eggs.

"You really don't notice it while you are drinking," DiNocera said. "Then you notice it very much."

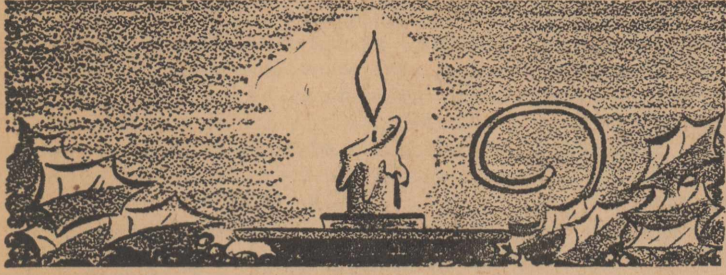


Service Leaders Send Best Wishes

TO ALL of you, at home or abroad, I send my sincere wishes for an enjoyable Christmas and a happy New Year.

The spirit of Christmas, peace and good will, are especially needed in the world today. The Department of Defense is very conscious of the service that you are rendering to your country and your fellow Americans and of the contribution you are making in preserving peace in the world.

C. E. WILSON



TO MY fellow members of the United States Army I extend my heartiest personal best wishes for a joyous Christmas. Wherever you may be stationed, and whatever your job, you can be proud of the fact that you are playing a vital part in keeping alive in the world the fundamental values identified with the spirit of Christmas. By your stalwart defense of freedom, of honor, and of justice, you are helping to hasten the day when peace shall be triumphant, and good will shall reign among all men and nations.

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May you and those near and dear to you find every happiness in this glorious holiday season, and throughout the new year.

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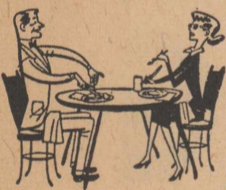
THE OBSERVANCE of Christmas reminds us all of Jesus' sublime example and His selfless service to His fellow men. His birth sounded the call for peace on earth and good will among men. In these days, our Navy is an instrument for preserving that peace on the far-flung frontiers of freedom. To all the men and women of our Navy and Marine Corps, especially those who by reason of service overseas must be separated from family and fireside, I send my sincerest best wishes for a Merry Christmas.

CHARLES S. THOMAS



THIS CHRISTMAS season gives me the first opportunity I have had as your Secretary to send you holiday greetings and to tell you that I am proud to serve as a part of the United States Air Force, the best in the world. The American people, and friendly people everywhere who stand with us in the cause of freedom and justice, are thankful for your loyalty, your skills, and your enthusiasm in successfully carrying out the missions of the Air Force. I, especially, have a deep sense of pride in you and gratitude for your constant devotion to duty. To each of you—in remote radar outposts, in fighter squadrons alert to guard our skies, at bomber bases all over the world, and in the many other duties indispensable to the safety of freedom loving people everywhere—I send my personal best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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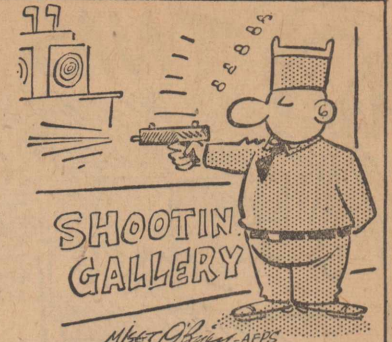
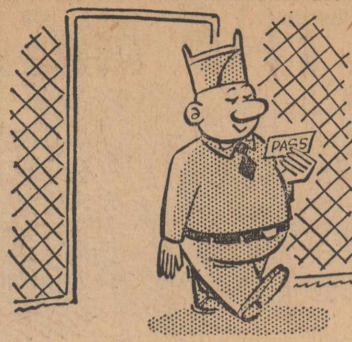
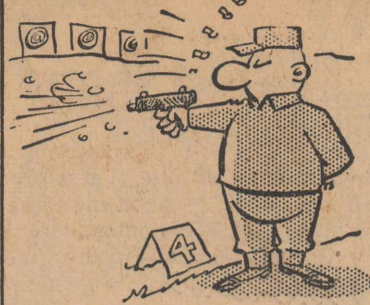
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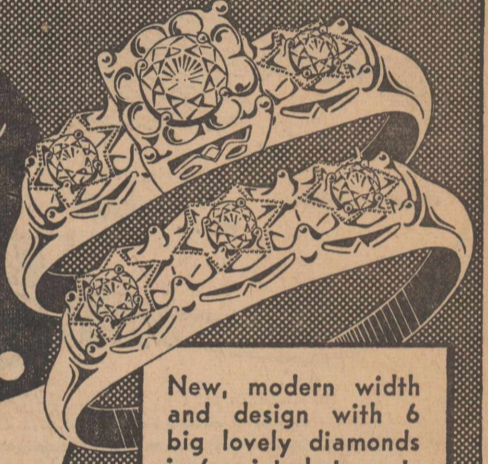
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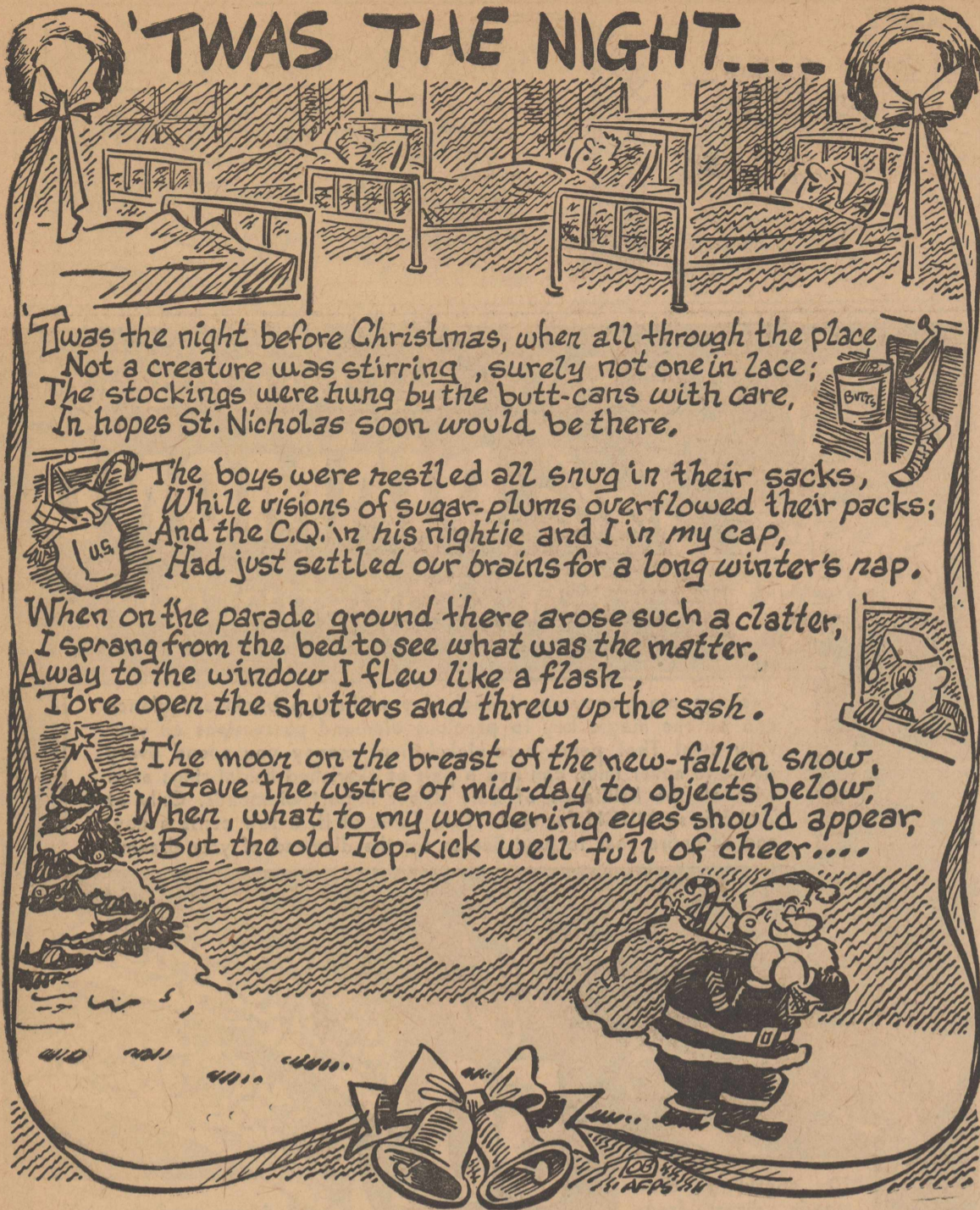
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*The boys were nestled all snug in their sacks,
While visions of sugar-plums overflowed their packs;
And the C.Q. in his nightie and I in my cap,
Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap.*

*When on the parade ground there arose such a clatter,
I sprang from the bed to see what was the matter.
Away to the window I flew like a flash,
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.*

*The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow,
Gave the lustre of mid-day to objects below;
When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,
But the old Top-kick well full of cheer....*

Carols of Christmastime Come From Man's Heart

The Christmas libretto — the many carols and songs that joyously proclaim the holiday—is the work of clerics and poets.

In 1865, on the day before Christmas, Phillips Brooks, a young American preacher, was traveling from Jerusalem to Bethlehem. As he stood in the fields where shepherds had watched over their flocks he was stirred with emotion.

The words of "O Little Town of Bethlehem" welled up in his heart. But it was not until three years later that he asked Lewis H. Redner, superintendent of the Church of the Holy Trinity in Philadelphia, to write the music.

On the night before the song was to be sung for the first time, the music was still to be written. As he slept, however, Redner heard "an angel strain whispering in my ear". He transcribed the melody to paper the next morning and 20 years later it became a hymn.

"Jingle Bells," which epitomizes the merry spirit of Christmas, was written in 1857 by James Pierpont, a Unitarian minister. It seems that this song has been with us forever, for no Christmas is complete without it.

One of the oldest and best liked of English carols was popularized by Charles Dickens in his classic, "A Christmas Carol." The words:

*"God rest you merry, gentlemen,
Let nothing you dismay,
Remember Christ, our Saviour,
Was born on Christmas Day,"*

are typical of the songs that children and trained choirs, according to English customs, sing in the streets and from door to door.

"Silent Night" is one of the best loved of Christmas songs. It grew from an inspiration that came to the Rev. Joseph Mohr as he stood before the window of his little church in Austria watching the snow slowly drift down in the silence of the night. A memorial chapel has been erected at Oberndorf-in-the-Salzach to commemorate the composition of the song in 1818. (AFPS)

Holiday Safe Driving Is Stressed At Base

Squadron commanders this week dispatched letters to parents of Reese personnel taking Christmas leave, asking cooperation in getting the base persons back to work safely.

The letters pointed out that the happy holiday spirit might tend to bring some thoughtlessness and reckless while driving automobiles, and the parents could be very helpful by counseling their sons to use caution while driving at home or enroute to and from Reese.

Use of commercial transportation system, instead of private automobiles, in holiday travel is being urged on all Air Force personnel this year, and Reese supervisors are cooperating in counseling toward this end.

"We want to get by this year without even one accident, if we can," S/Sgt. Fred Lee, ground safety technician, said.

Reese supervisors are using every available means in seeking the good record this year as a part of the annual "Operation Homesafe."

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