Country

SANTA: ask for everything under the hes are few in fact only one. sk for ash trays or slippers

such other delightful surfter the merry tree's presents

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title Sidney has baby toys by gille has half of a jewelry

the Aten's turkey consumed e scraps go to Thomas, the

NICK, all I ask --

NE DOLLAR left over . the close of this year it is es-

appreciation to our family of Berry Flat and New Moore.

of a generous advertising bud-Probably the record for contin advertising goes to B and O. have a record for advertising Co., (A. K. Williams een a very generous patron; advertising: Campbell's and Lamb and our two drug stores: Wiese orner Drug. Not least and

mportant are the many less but steady advertisers. If you this Christmas edition as we you will, the credit goes to any advertisers here who ex-ed money for space. This is edition in every sense. the words of Tiny Tim, God Us All; and God bless our

the town and our community LIE, SIDNEY SMITTY Country Ed, "hisself"

OR SALE: one '43 S. C. Case or with Equipment: 3 steel knives, one Papx Feed and Mrs. Haskell Davis of N M visited Mr and Mrs. Harris last week and attend he Golden Wedding anniversof Mr and Mrs. A Gillespie

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC ur yard will close on Dec 24th will not open until Dec 27th. re doing this in order to take nnual inventory. wish everyone

ristmas and a Happy and a Prosecus New Year of 1948
CICERO SMITH LBR. CO DON EDWARDS, MGR Mrs. C S Adair and baby

W C Oats over the holf

FOR SALE: 1-2 section farm

te time within the year that rold Franklin, J V Burdett, Clayton and Wayne Claywill build new homes. At least to other homes are in the plannstage.

ach Remodeling This Year to J Mac Noble. His home ould easily do credit to any city. next week we will report more detail on the interior of this detail on the interior me. Yep, we are getting an invite visit Mac sometime.



Rev. J A Branaman, Alvary Baptist Church
Rev and Mrs. J A Branaman
ave recently moved here from Lub ave recently moved here from ock to take up their work with the alvary Baptist Church. Rev. Branaman has b Branaman has held pastor-

in the west for a number of ears and for the past six years has missionary of the

we welcome Rev. and Mrs. Branto O'Donnell; they reside in B F Poe home near the Hol-Gin. Mr and Mrs. Poe have to Southwest Texas.

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O'DONNELL, LYNN COUNTY, TEXAS, Thursday Dec. 25, 1947

\$1.50 PER YEAR

Christmas Party Here Wednesday

Free Show, Prizes, and Santa To Feature Day

Christmas eve afternoon, Dec. 24, O'Donnell will play host to our the close of this year it is estimated in the line of the friends of this trade area. Featured will be a FREE movie starting preciation the preciation of Har at 1:30 and sponsored by the Rotary. Free distribution of a deep Berry Flat and New Moore, the property of the standard our range of the standard our range of the standard out the standard o year.
this paper was made possib gram of songs and music given by the liberal week by week sup of our business firms in the and most important Santa will be in town all atternoon with gif's for the Kiddies. Come to O'Donnell and visit with us. The shopping season is near over an dnow we have time also to the O'Donnell to "just talk" See you in town Wed nesday. Let the cows and chickens root for themselves. Come on in and let's have FUN

> WILL GIVE hog wire and post to anyone removing same. R W

MR. HUFFAKER WILL NOT SEEK RE-ELECTION

.Word from Calloway_ Huffaker, our able District Attorney, that he will not be a candidate for that of. your Ft Worth STAR TELEGRAM fice, will come as a surprise to his of O'Donnell which we sincere man friends. He has made a fine record as our "Mr. District Attornhe most of the finest people on old troubled Earth. It is our Calloway seek the job of State Send troubled Earth. It is our calloway seek the job of State Sentrune to be associated with we can't guess! But we do know that this district DOES need a . . and that badly State Senator

STUDY CLUB

The home of Mrs. W. E. Vermil-Club. Thanks to the social com-mittee, Mrs. Bill Davis, Mrs. R'R Reagan and Mrs. Pose Mansell the club had a buffet supper featur ing spaggetti. Afterwards played and Christmas were exchanged.

84 PARTY ENJOYED

Mr and Mrs R P Tomlinson ing friends with an 84 party Friday nite of last week: Mr Mrs. Jordan of Anton, Mr and Mrs Singleton, Wednesday, Dec. 31st. expiring in April of 1948. Boydstun, Mr and Mrs Huffhines, Marksville are visiting her sis freshments were served

DORCAS CLASS HAS PARTY

The Dorcas Class had their anor nual Christmas party and Christ-G L Sutton Lubbock phone mas tree Wednesday afternoon of last week in the home of Mrs. J T Middleton, Sr. The devotional was given by Mrs. Stubblefield and prayer by Mrs. Anderson. Mrs. It was an an an anticology of the state Middleton, Sr. The devotional was has the contract.
Index understands that ration of Christmas". Mrs. Hale that and Mrs. Yandell sang "Silent Nite" Lovely refreshments were served to members and guests.

Mrs. R P Tomlinson of Post spent Tuesday with Mrs. C. J., Tomlinson is visiting his W & Singleton

her mother. Mrs. Wallace is in Lubbook for the holidays. The Eastern Star entertained

with a covered dish supper and a Christmas tree and program Monday nite the 15th with their husbands as guests.

PARTY ENJOYED AT HODNETTS

A group of young people met Fri day nite at the home of Mr and Mrs. Truett Hodnett for a "Get - Together" Party. Those present were: Kenneth Pearson, Carolyn Middleton, Burley Brewer, Harris, Edgar Eakers, Beach, Harold Mires Wayne Vandivere, Wanda Jean Huffhin-es, Don Mires and Pat Edwards



young Chicago attorney, is actively aiding bedfast war heroes in his post as executive vice president of the Hospitalized Veterans Foundation.

Real Estate Deals Are Brisk

At the close of the year real estate deals have been brisk. Thompson purchased the building Bairrington Ross Stark purchased the building housing the Boothe store; Harley Jolly purchased the building housing his shop and office building ad joining; Homer Simpson bought the J W Gardenhire home in Dawson Heights, O G Smith, Jr bought the south building housing the Gil. liam Laundry, Lallon Jordan moved in a prebuilt home on a lot near the Harvey Jordan home; Mr. Cobb has purchased the Grandma Phillips place, W T Brandon sold his farm at Wells to W E Singleton, Sr and several other big deals are pend

Be SURE to send the Index a list of your Christmas visitors, parties, etc. PLEASE! Pretty Please !!!

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THURSDAY BRIDGE CLUB

The Thursday Bridge Club was entertained with a Christmas party by Mrs. J T Middleton. Jr in the ome of Mrs. Middleton, Sr. Thursday. High score was won by Mrs. Ken Morrison and low score by Mrs. Paul Mansell and bingo by Mrs. William Jackson. Gifts were exchanged from the Christmas tree and delicious refreshmetns of salad, potato chips, pickles, fruit cake with whip cream and spiced Wm. were served to Mesdames: bingo Jackson, Ken Morrison. dett. J W Gardenhire, Mac

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM SET FOR NAZARENES

The Christmas program of the local Church of the Nazarene will be presented Tuesday nite Dec. 23 select his assistants. beginning at 7 p m. There will be

Mary Pierce observed her 11th birthday Dec 15th with a party at the home of her parents, Mr and Mrs. J R Pierce. Popcorn balls. hot chocolate and cake were serv ed to ten girls.

ars. Cricket Baldridge Shankle Top honors for attractive re-mod las in the old year goes without las in the old year goes without last to I have the old year goes without last to I have the old year goes without last to I have the old year goes without last the old year goes with last the old yea Austin to spend Christmas with ed here Caturday with her sister, Mrs. Ben Moore, Sr. They were en route to Abilene for the holidays. Mrs. Shankle is the Home Demonstration Agent at Taos.

Mr and Mrs Clyde Vandivere and family of Elida N. M. and Miss Virginia Vandivere of Bethany College at Bethany, Okla., are home for Chritsi as with their par ents. Mr and Mrs. E. Vandivere.

Delbert Mires left Sunday for East Texas to be with his father who is seriously ill.

Mr and Mrs. Mell Pearce of Post and Tom Garner of Hereford visited friends and relatives here Friday; Mr. Pearce will be remembered as our public weigher here a number of years ago.

Ray Moore has recently purchas ed the Lindly Blacksmith shop. Mr and Mr and Mrs. Liudly plan move to the farm near Three Lakes

Otis "Sonny Boy" Etter, who is in the army stationed in Florida, visited relatives here last week

Sgt. Jim Lane of the Army and who is stationed in Alaska has been home for a visit for several days. He will return to duty about

Mrs. Boyce Allen underwent sur gery for removal of the appendix one day last week at Lamesa Allen was the former Miss Marcia Lane: her mother. Mrs. Jesse Lane said Monday that Marcla was doing

J. L. Shoemaker spent several days last week at a Lamesa hospital suffering from food poisoning

FOR SALE: 100 English white Leghorn pullets; just scarted lay-

MOST STORES TO BE CLOSED DEC. 25 and 26th Party Thursday

SEASON'S

GREETINGS

from the publisher

and staff.

As has been the usual custom) in the past, nearly all the stores in town will be closed both on Christmas Day and the day after. Dec. 26th. This makes it possible for he merchants and their employees to have a more extended Holiday. Most stores will open for business

As we go to press Roy Line very busy stuccoing his residence.

The Cobb residence on East 8th has been remodeled into a very attractive home.

tea a special election of the qualified Wm. voters of the City of O'Donnell to Paul elect two aldermen to fill unexpir-Mansell, Louis Hochman, J. V. Bur, ed terms of two officials recently were host and hostess to the follow ling friends with an 84 party Friday nite of last week: Mr and meet next week with Mrs. W E and Calvin Pugh for the short term E and Calvin Pugh for the short term

Mr and Mrs. James Teeter and didates need a formal introduct-Boydstun, Mr and Mrs Huttales, Mr and Mrs. Minton. Delicious retwin daughters moved this week to out exception. qualified well-liked and progressive citizens, who if will serve their community well.

> Judge Tom Brewer will preside at the election party and he will be at Tom Yandell's tax parlor and the polls will be open from to 6.



LAWRENCE F. STERN, president of Chicago's American National of Chicago's American National Bank & Trust Co., serves without salary as treasurer of the Hospital-ized Veterans Foundation.

84 Club Has Christmas

Mr and Mrs Roy Miles graciously entertained the members of the 84 Club last Thursday week. The traditional Christmas tree with the exchanging of gifts was the high light of the evening. After games of 84 had been enjoyed to the midnite hour, cherry pie and coffee were ser ved to Mr and Mrs. S. M Minton, Mr and Mrs. Harvey Line, Mr and Mrs Barton Burke, Mr and Mrs. Will Ed Treadway, Mr and Mrs. Calvin Mr and Mrs. Ed Goddard, Mr and Mrs. Bob Carroll, Mr and Mrs. Arthur Goldon. Mr and Mrs. J A Edwards, Mr and Mrs. Gene Gardenhire, Mr and Mrs. CITY ELECTION SET FOR Vermillion and the host and host. ess. Mr and Mrs. Miles.

Monday. Dec. 29th there will be Show To Be Given By Fire Dept. Jan. 8th and 9th

Arrangements have been by the O'Donnell Fire Department Bradley W E. Singleton. Johnny Billingsley, Shagg Garrett, James Bowlin, John Stephens, L L Bird- well, James Wiese, O C Smith L. ome talent and will be enjoyed by all. Details will be given next week

Two projects on Highway 87 estimated to cost \$259,000 ordered by the State Highway Commission last Wednesday will assure smoother riding for Lubbock and Lynn Coun-

The old concrete pavement highway 87 on the 12 mile section Lubbock and the Lynn Co line will be leveled up, the road-way made 34 feet wide and three lane traffic provided. The new sur Rev. and Mrs. Hale Mr and face will be skid-proof asphaltic oncrete. Its cost was estimated at Ed Tredway, Mr and Mrs. Norman

South from Tahoka to the Dawson County line the 14 mile section of cracking and deteriorating asph alt pavement will be given a new lease on life. It will be made smooth er and its deterioration checked by a a similar asphaltic concrete treatment. Cost of the Lynn Couny improvement was estimated at

Second Grade Honor Roll

Lynda Sue Hargis. Peggy Joyce Burket, Ruthy Mahurin, Margaret Cathey, Bonnie Lightner Ronnie Middleton, Wayne Shaw, Leo Middleton, Cathey, Lloyd Ward and Kenneth

Third Grade Honor Roll

Sue McCullough, Darlene Gili iam, Nano Modisette, Nancy Ellen Telchick, Levi sette, James Montgomery Eakers, Melvin Joan and Aubrey Lee Allen.



JUST IN TIME . . . Youngsters all over America will sleep with one eye open on Christmas Eve—if they are lucky they might see Santa's feet as he hurries on his way. These youngsters arrived in time to hear, "Merry Christmas to all, and to all a goodnight."

Yandells Entertain

Mr and Mrs Tom Yandell entertained their friends Monday nive with a 84 party. A spendid evening was enjoyed by all. Refresh-ments of mince pte, sandwiches, candy and coffee were served to Mr and Mrs. Ed Goddard, Mr and Mrs John Spears, Mr and Mrs. J A Edwards. Mr and Mrs. Fletcher John Mr and Mrs. Bob Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Line, Mr and Mrs Corbin Sumner and the host and hostess Mr and Mrs. Yandell.

Mrs. Gray Entertains G. A.'s With Party

Mrs. Levi Gray was hostess Tues day nite to the Junior G. A. girls of the First Baptist Church and was assisted by Mrs. Mrs. Bob Carroll and Mrs. Rochell Pelts. group sang carols and enjoyed group games. Gifts were exchanged from a beautiful Christmas tree, and refreshments were served to 14

Mr and Mrs. John Spears spending the holidays in Dallas

Mr and Mrs. Paul G. Morris and Carolyn of Houston will spend the Christmas Holidays here with relat ives: her mother, Mrs. J P Bowlin, Mr and Mrs. James Bowlin and family. and Mr and Mrs. Harvie Jordan and family.

- 00 Loyal Workers Met With Mrs. Bowlin For Party

The Loyal Workers Class of the Methodist Church School met in the home of Mrs. J. P. Bowlin on Wednesday, Dec. 17 with Mrs. Ben Moore, Sr. as co-hostess for the Christmas Party.

"Joy To The World" was opening song. Mrs. Vernon Mc Cul lough gave the devotional. story of the Virgin birth of Jesus as given by Matthew and Luke, Mrs D. Pickens led the prayer and Mrs. A H Koeninger gave the of the Other Wise Man" by Henry Van Dyke. Then the group was vis-ited by Santa who gave out gifts tom the glowing Christmas tree. Refreshments were served to the following Mesdames A H Koeninger. R O Stark, Vernon McCullough Clint Wright, Jess Merrick, Earl C D Pickens, R R Ballew, R. R Ragan, H B Brewer, Tom Brewer, D E Sumrow, Joe Carlisle and Mrs. Ben Moore Sr.

Wesley Class Party

Tuesday nite the Wesley Class of the Methodist Church entertained with a party in the home of Mr. and Mrs J W Gardenhire. Pie and coffee were served

Euzelian Class Has Party

The Euzelian Class of the First Baptisst Church had as their guests at their Christmas Party Tuesday nite, Rev. and Mrs. J. M Hale along on with husbands of class members.

A Christmas program, tree and games were enjoyed and refreshments of fruit cake and coffee were served to the following:

Shaw, Mr and Mrs. Burl Koeninger, Mr and Mrs. V. B. Hahn, Mr. and Mrs. Truett Hodnett, Mr and Mrs. Douglass Ballew, Mr and Mrs. Harey Jolly, Mrs. Jack Worthington, Mrs. R P Heath and

Mrs. Blocker Entertains T. E. L. Class Wednesday

Mrs. Blocker entertained the T. E L. Class with a Christmas social Wednesday afternoon, The group played Christmas games and then opened the gift packages. Del. icous refershments of Sandwiches, spiced tea and ice box cake with whip cream were served to Mesdam es: Street. Wright, Beach, Cummins, Gillespie Gray, Leonard Mires, Godard, Lambert, Ledbetter, Carroll, Delbert Mires, Kirkland Line, Jones, Edwards.



UMT Puts New Face on Old Army

Universal Training Program Called Modern, Democratic

By BAUKHAGE News Analyst and Commentator.

(Wby should universal military training be necessary at all? How does the present plan differ from the "draft"? This is the second in a series of articles on this pertinent

WASHINGTON .- What is universal military training?

The more I learn about it, the more I am convinced that most of the people-both UMT's supporters and opponents-have very little idea of what it really is.

I'm most interested in the people who oppose UMT because I think they are doing themselves and their children a great injustice by allow-

ing their thinking to remain out of focus. I'd be willing to bet that ninetenths of the general public who disyoung men to be trained. Although

these young men, legally, would

have military status, they would not

be members of the armed forces,

would be subject to no duty other than training and would become

members of the military establish-

ment only in a national emergency.

ING COMMISSION, which would

set the policies, standards, sub-

stance and character of the train-

ing program. The commission would

consist of three paid members ap-

pointed by the President - two

members, including the chairman,

to be civilians, and one to be from

GENERAL ADVISORY BOARD,

which would provide the commis-

sion with the best technical advice

on the moral, religious and educa-

tional phases of the program. The

board of 10 to 25 members would

be composed largely of civilians,

serving part time (with pay), but

would include at least three mem-

bers of the armed forces. It would

SELECTIVE TRAINING SYS-

TEM, similar to the selective serv-

ice system of World War II, which

would register, examine, classify, assign, defer, deliver and maintain

records of men registered under

As you note, although military

training (in the modern sense which

is more than ever training in many

valuable civilian skills) is the basis

of the national security corps, it

is devoid of many factors which

have made universal service in the

past traditionally objectionable to

In these days, any military train-

ing insofar as it involves killing

is objectionable to the balanced per-

sonality. But, since we have not

eliminated the predatory forces in

the world, have not even isolated

them, certain measures of self-pro-

tection like UMT are necessary.

tary training which stick in the

craw of the average free Ameri-

Probably the first (the thing that

used to overwhelm me at certain

army) is the lack of freedom. No

longer was I a free man whose lib-

erty could be curtailed only after a

jury trial and the judgment of my

peers. Suddenly, I was confronted

by the Articles of War, the court

martial system, and in some cases

(although I personally never suf-

fered much from it even in war-

time) the petty tyranny of a supe-

But the trainee under the pro-

posed national security training act

is not subject to the Articles of War

at all during the first phase of his

training and only conditionally dur-

ing the additional six months of

bowl" that not only is not worrying

the good people of that state but

stands to bring them in a lot of

They're even planning for its ex-

pansion, for in that dusty, sage-

60 per cent of the known American

supply of phosphate rock, source of

phosphorous, one of the three pri-

Experts say that the dusty treas-

ure which Idaho is shipping here

and there in an ever-widening range

holds the key to a new and broader

agricultural economy in the entire

mary plant foods.

PROFITABLE DUST BOWL

rior in rank.

What are the features of mili-

Some of the 650 teen-

agers from all states

who are trying a six-

month UMT experi-

ment at Fort Knex.

the American people.

have no policy-making authority.

the armed forces.

NATIONAL SECURITY TRAIN-

cuss the question are looking past the object of discussion, their ideas focused on something which no longer exists. They have not examined what is actually in front therefore are arguing from completely wrong hypothesis. Old ideas stick.

In other words.

many people do not realize what UMT is NOT. It is NOT anything like the military service (conscription) which some of us knew from personal contact in the past, and others knew from hearsay. UMT, as proposed in the national security training act, is totally different in many essential principles from the "draft" under the selective service system.

First why is it necessary? Let me quote the reasons given by the house of representatives armed services committee, as digested in the November issue of the Army Information Digest (which article should be read in its entirety for a real grasp of the subject):

The United States has tradition-1. ally depended heavily upon the civilian reserve components. In every major war, the regular forces have constituted less than 10 per cent of the total strength. These wars have been fought by citizen soldiers, directed and organized by a small nucleus of professionals.

2. In the past, geographic dequate tion has provided adequate In the past, geographical isolatime for training and equipping large numbers of Americans fresh from civil life and unskilled in the art of war - before it was necessary to send them into battle. In any future emergency, however, no such cushion of time can be expectforces in being on any future emergency day.

3. tute no more than the traditional nucleus of professional military skills. Furthermore, they are spread thinly over a large area of the world, engaged in occupation duties. In the circumstances, the size and degree of readiness of the reserve components become matters of the most vital concern. For if these reserve components are not adequate, the overall military strength of the United States is a hollow shell.

The reserve components are far 4. The reserve companies of the reserve to the rese and are without hope of filling their quotas by voluntary means alone. These authorized strengths represent the barest minimum estimate of manpower requirements.

5. The national guard is a thorizontal imately 16 per cent of its authorized units of The national guard is at approxized strength, the organized units of the organized reserve corps at 14 per cent, and the unassigned reserve pool at 35 per cent (summer of 1947). The 1,200,000 members of the unassigned reserve pool are merely names on paper, untrained and unorganized.

6. UMT would build up the reserve components to their authorized strengths, and would achieve a stability and an increased efficiency of our ready forces that do not now obtain. The alternative would be a regular army of about 4,500,000.

Consideration was given the 7. claim that future warfare would be of the pushbutton variety requiring "only a handful of scientists." This claim is a dangerous illusion. If there is another war, it will be more "total" than the last, and will involve a greater number of human beings without any hope of distinguishing the combatant from the noncombatant. The war in all probability will come into the cities and the homes of the people of the United States. In such event, the survival or recovery of the nation might well depend on the presence of well-disciplined and able-bodied men in every community.

The foregoing, then, were some of the reasons which guided the armed services committee of the house to vote out a national security training act. The act would set up four agen-

NATIONAL SECURITY TRAINING CORPS, consisting of all intermountain and Pacific West.

In ages past the Rocky mountain area of southeastern Idaho, northIdaho landholder, J. R. Simplot, be
support acid, 18 per cent of the phosphoric acid in the rock is made available for use by growing plants.



and Le Roy Donnay, 20, of Glencoe, Minn., were named national lead-ership champions at the 1947 national 4-H club congress in Chicago. In addition to the trophies with which they are shown, each received

NEWS REVIEW

Defense Pact Ratified; Inflation Bill Offered

This is, as Sen. Arthur Vandenberg (Rep., Mich.) told his fellow senators, "a significant moment to demonstrate the solidarity of this hemisphere."

And with the knowledge of that certain fact uppermost in their minds members of the U.S. senate voted 72 to 1 to ratify the inter-American defense treaty agreed to by 21 American republics at the Rio conference last summer.

The hemispheric agreement for mutual defense of nations in the Americas embodies three main

1. In case of armed attack from outside the hemisphere, all nations have the automatic right to meet the attack with military force. 2. If attack occurs mations hemisphere, American nations If attack occurs inside the may go voluntarily to the aid of the victim, with consultations to follow. If attacks occur both inside the

3. hemisphere and outside the security region immediate consultations will be called. Virtually unanimous approval of the treaty by the senate was a good



aware of the cardinal principle of commitments abroad are worse than useless unless the nation forms strong and lasting alliances to support those commitments. The hemispheric treaty had in it the makings of a good foreign policy.

Meanwhile, President Truman had some thoughts on how inter-American defense could be advanced from theory to the realm of actuality. He proposed to congress that the Panama canal be converted into a sea-level waterway (see map), and that a unified command be established in the Atlantic area with Adm. H. P. Blandy in authority over army, navy and air forces from Iceland and Greenland to the Caribbean.

moments in my early months in the CHALLENGE: Accepted

Republican leaders had issued a direct challenge to the administra-tion to offer a bill incorporating President Truman's ration-and-control recommendations for combating inflation, and the measure which the administration finally proposed was neither more nor less than anyone had expected.

Handed to the senate judiciary committee by Averell Harriman, secretary of commerce, the specific bill called for expansive powers to ration food, gasoline, steel and other scarce commodities

Theoretically it was a bill to alloservice, depending on which option cate materials to essential users. control business inventories and is supposed to convene.

Out in Idaho they have a "dust | eastern Utah and southwestern Wyo- | came worried because he could not

ming was a tropical playground for

countless prehistoric monsters. In

passing on to whatever reward was

in store for them, these monsters

in the form of rock phosphate, some

mated to be underground in that

Prior to 1934 use of phosphate in

the West was negligible. The rich,

volcanic soil was in little need of fortification. Also, the limited sup-

plies of the commercially manufac-

tured fertilizer were being used al-

most exclusively in the eastern and

Idaho-Utah-Wyoming sector.

bequeathed themselves to posterity | tello.

Idaho Cashes in on Phosphate

brush-covered expanse of land lies six billion tons of which are esti-

continue export controls; but administration spokesmen admitted that the allocation powers provided for would authorize the government to impose consumer rationing and even to buy up entire grain crops if it saw the necessity for such action.

FODDER Spuds for Cattle

A New Jersey cattleman, Eugene K. Denton, has a theory that might go a long way toward easing the grain shortage.

tatoes instead of grain.

Experimenting with 20 yearlings purchased especially for the purpose, Denton fed them on a special diet, based on ground potatoes, salt and molasses, for 25 days. The steers, which averaged 6671/2 pounds when the experiment began, showed an average gain per steer of 1.4 pounds a day or 251/4 pounds per steer for the test period.

Prof. William Ljundahl of Rutgers university department of animal husbandry called the experiments a success.

Denton made public this simple formula: To every 100 pounds of freshly sliced potatoes add one handful of regular salt and one gallon of molasses water. The molasses water is prepared by adding one pint of me plasses to one full pail of

LANDON:

Big Medicine

budget-balancer who might have been president of the United States if Franklin D. Roosevelt hadn't defeated him by a landslide in 1936, has come out publicly in favor of Gen. Dwight Eisenhower for President in 1948.

Landon was known to have joined forces with Roy Roberts of the Kansas City Star to push the Eisenhower bandwagon. In Chicago to address a Kiwanis meeting, Landon said, "The Kansas delegation to the Republican national convention will be for Eisenhower." That, coming from the shrewd former governor of Kansas, was strong political medicine.

cians in my state will get out of line on that. I think I know what the general's social, economic and political views are. He hasn't said anything to me about the presidency directly or indirectly but it's my guess he will make his views known when he leaves the army and they will be all right."

Meanwhile, it was announced that

And through the welter of the administration-Republican melee over what to do and how to do it there came at least two charges of "socialization" from top U. S. business-men leveled at the government's avowed program.

His idea is to feed cattle raw po-

Alf M. Landon, the Kansas

"I don't think any of the politi-

Eisenhower was scheduled to take over his scheduled position as president of Columbia university next June 7-just about two weeks before the Republican national convention

obtain sufficient fertilizer for his

vast farm lands. So in the spring of

1944 he began construction of his

own superphosphate plant in Poca-

Originally designed to turn out

60,000 tons annually, Simplot's plant

has been expanded to the point

where now it is producing 200,000

tons a year of "18 per cent" super-

The 18 per cent' means that

when the phosphate rock has been

pulverized to dust and treated with

sulphuric acid, 18 per cent of the

phosphate

BALTIMORE, MD. - Fountain street, near the Baltimore docks. takes in its steps at night and often turns them up during the day.

It is a street of red brick row houses, many of which have two white wooden steps leading up to the front door. They are Fountain street's version of the white marble steps for which Baltimore is noted. Families often sit out on them in the evening for rest and gossip with the neighbors. Residents disagree as to how the

custom of turning the steps up against the wall during the day and taking them in at night started.

AROUND THE CLOCK

He Still Has Time on His Hands After Half Century at Trade

WNU Features.

ELGIN, ILL.—Somewhere in the United States there may exist an untutored and unknown genius of Job-like patience who, after months of painstaking effort, could put together a watch that would run.

But the odds are just about one-million-to-one that it would fall far short of the performance demanded of fine watches today, in the opinion of William H. Samelius, director of Elgin Watchmakers college.

Samelius ought to know. He has made watches for more than 50 years. Now teaching others the profession at the Elgin school, he received his first introduction into the lore from his father, who at one time was the royal watchmaker of Sweden. Samelius came to America as a lad in 1881. Today he is still active in the profession, an honorary member of at least eight state horological associations and the dean of American fine watchmak-

Always ready to talk about his life's work, Samelius explained some of the reasons why making a watch is not the easiest thing in the world. "Our students learn that the best watches must be within a limited tolerance of time, fast or slow, before they are released from the factory," he says. "They learn to maintain tolerances of .0001 of an inch to fit parts into precision watch movements. They master all the individual manufacturing operations necessary to restore a watch to its timekeeping ability.'

An idea of how small these tolerances are can be gained from the fact that one-ten thousandth of an inch is the size of a human hair after it has been split the long way 30 times. Samelius' students also work with roller jewels that are so small that 4,666,000 weigh a pound. Some of the screws used in watch manufacture are so tiny that 20,000 of them just barely fill an ordinary sewing thimble. Despite their size, each screw has a perfect thread and its head is perfectly slotted.

Some of Samelius' students become proficient in the watchmaking art in a period of from 11 to 14

Although he has been in the watchmaking business for more than half a century, Samelius still manages to keep posted on latest developments in the field. He admits that making watches today is considerably easier than it was 50 years ago. He attributes this in part to innovations in repair equipment

Honesty Still Pays, Jailed Youth Learns

ST. LOUIS, MO .- In jail because olice caught him breaking into a building, Robert Tolliver, 18, has received a \$5 reward for honesty.

When a class from Fontbonne college had inspected the jail, one of one machine for every 158 acres of the students lost the mechanism corn. from her watch, a family heirloom. She informed Warden E. E. Hensley of the loss, leaving \$5 for the finder.

Tolliver found the mechanism in a box of trash, turning it over to Warden Hensley.

"Had Tolliver hocked the works, he wouldn't have received more than \$1," the warden said. "By being honest he gets \$5."

It Took Seven Years. But He Got Big Fish

NEHALEM, ORE .- After spending seven of his 79 summers hopefully rowing up and down the Nehalem river in quest of a salmon, Charles L. Judd finally hooked his

His patience was rewarded when the catch proved to be a 30-pound Chinook. A battle lasting for an hour and a half was required, however, before Judd finally landed the

Almost too weary to hold the fish up for a picture, Judd said, "My family thought I couldn't catch a salmon, so I had to show them."

This Street Removes Porch Steps at Night



DEAN OF WATCHMAKERS William H. Samelius, director of Elgin Watchmakers college, is shown here inspecting a clock made by William Geoghagen, one of his students. Driven by an electrie motor, the nine-dialed clock shows the time in Bombay, London, Hawaii, San Francisco, Yo-kohama, Shanghai, New York, Moscow-and Elgin!

Mechanical Picker Dooms Husking Bee To Romantic Past

AUDUBON, IOWA.-The familiar thud of corn against the wagon bang boards is being relegated to the romantic past on Iowa farmlands as the machine age muscles in on oldfashioned corn husking bee and corn husking contests.

Romanticists notwithstanding, man can't compete with the ma chine when it comes to picking corn, and as a result those popular pastimes of the past are being dis-

vest 500 to 800 bushels a day while a man, working alone, can pick only 80 to 100 bushels. Mechanical corn pickers are becoming increasingly available to do the harvesting job in

the tall corn state. The number of machines has tripled since 1939, when there were 20,029 mechanical corn pickers to harvest nine million acres of corn. Now, it is estimated, there are more than 60,000 pickers, an average of

Despite the invasion of mechanical pickers, Elmer G. Carlson, king of the nation's corn huskers in 1935 and now owner of a hybrid seed corn company here, doesn't believe the corn husking contest is gone forever.

"Corn husking is a farm sport and mechanical pickers do not detract from the glamor of the old-time contests," Carlson contends.

He believes husking contests would be as popular as ever. His brother, Varl, whom he dethroned as national champion, agrees that the national contests should be revived.

But even the former national champions have given way to the machine age. Both use mechanical pickers in their own cornfields!

Space Is Relative

HAMILTON, MONT .- All of Montana isn't wide open spaces. A lawsuit has been filed to clear title to a strip of land two and a helf inches wide and 140 feet long. The sliver lies between a theater and a store.

Women Can Vote-If They Tell Age LINCOLN, NEB .- One of wom-

an's age-old prerogatives will fall by the wayside when Nebraska women register to vote. The state attorney general has ruled that it won't be enough to say "legal age." Registering women will have to say exactly

how old they are. Frederick Wagener, Laneaster county attorney, requested the official opinion after some women declined to give their exact

Farm Wife Launches Country Store

SHELLSBURG, IOWA.-Marking | Now her stock inventory is about a rebirth of the country store in Benton county, Hobby Harbor has been launched as a typical old-time mercantile business establishment by a farmer's wife in her farm home near here.

Mrs. Opal Gardemann, a former thought \$500 worth of merchandise would be enough to stock the stern would be enough to stock the store. | radios, washing machines would be enough to stock the store. | countless items that are hard to get.

\$5,000, and she already has made plans to remodel the farm home to provide additional merchandise

Farm families in the vicinity and space. motorists attracted by the sign tacked to a telephone pole near the entrance to the Gardemann farm

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thing like the Italian ravioli, also is a usual course. Dessert consists of special pudding called kutya, made of wheat, poppy seeds and

During the Christmas Eve supper, some member of every Ukrainian family throws a handful of kutya or pudding at the ceiling. If it sticks, the coming year will be a prosperous and happy one. After supper, a plate of braided bread, called kolach, is left on the table between two lighted candles. Legend says that the spirits of the family's dead will return at midnight to eat this bread.

The Ukrainian Christmas festival lasts three days. In the villages singers known as Kolyadniky go from house to house singing the Kolyadky folksongs relating the birth of Christ and the events of his life. They usually carry a manger with them, and in some cases they perform miracle plays. They are rewarded by gifts of food or money.

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BETTY JANE threw her purse at a chair and sat down heavily on

She wore her father's shirt and her brother's blue jeans, a costume she adopted a year before with Woody Anderson's permission.

"What's the matter, dear?" She jumped as the words cut the silence, but she didn't turn. She didn't want her mother to know anything was amiss—not yet, anyway. And then suddenly the tears came, like angry flood waters bursting through a barrier, unable to be restrained

any longer.
Mrs. Miller was careful to keep a straight face as , she wiped her 16-year-old daughter's face with her handkerchief. "Why, dear? Did Lance upset you?"

Betty Jane shook her head vehe-Why did mother always brother was to blame for



her tears? Grown women never cried over their brothers! "It's what Lance saw, not what he did," Betty said in a burst of confidence. As her mother waited she continued wretchedly. "He saw Woody buying a bottle of cologne. Cologne, mother, imagine! He was so glib when he told me I looked cute in jeans and now he's two-timing me with some fluffy female who actually uses cologne! Oh, how can men be

"Darling, how do you know the cologne isn't for you? Maybe Woody thinks you've outgrown your jeans." 'He knows what I think of these pink and white girls who use that horrible concoction! He wouldn't dare get me any. And besides, I already told him I wanted roller skates for Christmas. . . . I have to be ready for the new rink that's opening next month, don't I? I thought Woody and I would be going together, but now that's all over." threw her arms around her mother and cried tragically, "Oh, mother, I'll never smile again! I definitely

This time Mrs. Miller smiled over her daughter's head. She well recognized the stage Betty Jane was going through and decided she must take a hand. "You're sure the co-logne wouldn't be for a sister or a cousin?"

"He hasn't a female in the family, and his mother never uses it, so who else could it possibly be for? I'll bet it's for Estelle Bryan. All the other fellows like her but Woody used to say she was too fragile. Oh, mother, how he's deceived me!"

HER mother arose. "Well, dry your eyes, Betty, dear. It's Christmas Eve and you want to be happy today. Woody will probably come over with your roller skates tonight and we'll surprise him. If he likes fragile girls, he'll get one."

Betty Jane sat up straight. "Mother, no! Not that horrible blue dress you bought me!

"You wash up and put that dress on, Betty.
"We'll wait for you downstairs."
With that, Mrs. Miller closed the

door on her tomboy daughter and hurried downstairs. As she reached the bottom step the doorbell rang and she admitted Woody Anderson, a lanky boy with unruly red hair and freckles marching in perfect for-mation over the bridge of his nose. He was, clutching a box, obviously containing the roller skates requested by Betty Jane.

"She'll be right down," Mrs. Mill-er informed him, then left him alone for the surprise.

It came a half-hour later when Betty Jane made her appearance. The blue dress looked even better

than she had hoped it would.
"Gosh, Betty Jane!" Woody contributed to the conversation. The woody?" she asked, nodding toward the box. "Is it cologne? Lance saw you buying some." So casual, so indifferent.

"Uh—gosh, no, Betty Jane. Gee, you asked for skates and I got them for you. I bought cologne for Miss Lindsay, the English teacher that helped me with my essay for that

"How sweet of you." She stepped down into the living room and accepted the box from Woody. "Thank you," she said gravely. "Yours is under the tree."

"Gee, I didn't think I'd ever like you dressed up as a girl, Betty," he gulped. "Estelle looked so awful and I was proud to have you run around with me in blue jeans, but, gosh, you look wonderful like this!"

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Congress in Action

Spectators at a recent Congressional inquiry guffawed. I hope that some of them got the point. A movie actor had just remarked, dead-pan: "I've heard people say that we would have a more efficient government without Congress." A very serious point was contained in that statement, which apparently struck spectators as a humorous jibe at lawmakers, present and not present.

It is somewhat of an American custom to poke fun at our elected officials. Some steam is released that way, like the blowing off of a safety valve. That's all right. But that any sane American should suggest doing away with Congress is no laughing matter. You might as well say that we ought to give up our democratic way of life, in the interest of greater efficiency. One would be equivalent to the other. But who wants an efficient tyranny? Our Safeguard

I am going to say that I appreciate congress. I am not ashamed to say it. Moreover, I am concerned that there are those who fail to recognize the essential dignity and worth of this branch of our government. Out of the welter of political turmoil in Washington, I think there is still room for a healthy respect for what our Congress does. And we must never forget that Congress represents the will of the people, of the majority. Congress is a mighty safeguard.

When any Congressional session is over, try looking back over the record. It will usually surprise you how much was accomplished. Especially so, if you are one of those Americans who like to chant: "Why, oh why, doesn't Congress do something?"

Accomplished Much When the recent Congress adjourned in late July, final action had been taken on at least 17 major issues. This was an array of achieve-

ments, when you recall that this Congress was the first new Congress following the war. Action was taken on presidential

tenure and succession, labor management relations, portal-to-portal pay, excise and social security taxes, National Science Foundation, continuation of the R.F.C. and the C.C.C., crop insurance, continuation of certain subsidies, Army-Navy unification, cashing of terminal leave bonds, executive reorganiza-tion, continuation of first class postal rates, rent control, and termination of existing credit regulations.

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Russell Says U. S. Forgot; Is He Right?

Harold Russell, handless war veteran who starred in "Best Years of Our Lives," insisted he was fighting mad the other day during a personal appearance visit to Chicago. The lovable ex-GI, who uses hooks for hands, let off a little steam while touring veterans' hospitals in the Chicago area—and his plaint seemed to anticipate the aims of the newly formed Hospitalized Veterans Foundation.

That Foundation, operated through public contributions, has assumed the task of bringing comfort to 125,000 ex-servicemen patients in hospitals by providing entertainment equipment. But Russell flung this charge:

"The public has forgotten the GIs still in hospitals. There was nothing too good for 'em while the shooting went on. Now that it's over, everyone forgets thousands still lying in bed—many of them to remain there till they die.

"You see these hooks? They're noting compared to what happened to some of those guys."

"These hooks" became necessary when a defective fuse prematurely set off a block of TNT he was carrying. He uses the gadgets expertly for shaving, combing his hair, dressing, eating, washing. But his wife has to tie his tie.

Was Russell right? Has America forgotten her hospitalized heroes? It is an ugly indictment and the public-spirited men who organized the Hospitalized Veterans Foundation stoutly insist that it is hardly justified.

You can help disprove Harold Russell's angry charge of an un-Harold Russell, handless war vet-

tion stoutly insist that it is hardly justified.
You can help disprove Harold Russell's angry charge of an ungrateful, vorgetful nation. You can respond to his eloquent plea on behalf of thousands who are "a lot worse off than me."
Your contribution, dispatched at once to Foundation headquarters through use of the accompanying coupon, will bring happiness to some lonely veteran patient, shorten his monotonous day, improve his contact with the world outside.

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APPY new year!"

The cry echoed and re-echoed down the street as Penny made her way toward the bus stop. Everywhere about her people were lighthearted and gay and busily wishing their friends good fortune for the coming year. She buttoned her coat at the neck and turned up the collar. It was a bitterly cold day and she told herself she would be happy to reach home and stay in for the night. Let those with ploneer blood go out and stand in the raw wind down at Dayton Circle just to blow a silly horn at midnight ostensibly to usher in the new year.

Penny had always been known at home as a sensible girl with good common sense. She was proud of that reputation and now that she lived in the city alone she was more determined than ever to live up to it. She didn't want to become a sophisticated, worldly wise city girl. Thus, she summed up mentally, it was just as well she didn't go out. "Going out tonight, Penny?"

The words interrupted her thoughts and she turned to greet Ruby, a fellow worker who was always going out with someone she called "Beanie." You could always tell the status of Ruby's romance by her mood: if she was exuberant to the point of being giddy, she was going to see Beanie that night; if she was quiet and petulant, she hadn't heard from him, and if she was downright rude with a sarcastic twist to every remark she made, then they had quarreled.

Penny smiled. "No, I'm not, Ruby," she replied. Odd that she should feel such emptiness within her as she said the words. She noted Ruby's quick glance of sympathy and it irritated her. "I don't know



"But her foot missed and came down on a sheet of ice."

anyone here," she defended herself. Then added curtly, "And anyway, I wouldn't dream of going out in such ghastly weather."

Ruby shrugged. "Oh, well, if you feel that way about it . . . happy new year, Penny." She hurried away before the wretched girl could make any response. "Now why did I act so nasty?" she asked under her breath. Ruby hadn't meant any offense—she was simply so wrapped up in her own little world that she felt sorry for anyone who had no Beanie to which to cling. She was essentially a generous person and now Penny had deliberately hurt her.

As SHE stood in the middle of the sidewalk, angry and discouraged, she saw her bus speeding recklessly down the street and without another thought to anything else she hurried toward the corner. "Wait, oh, wait!" she called, running breathlessly. No one else was waiting, however, and he careened sharply off the curb, hurrying on his way. "Oh, dear!" She burst into tears at this new disappointment and reached blindly for the curb.

But her foot missed and came down on a sheet of ice sending her into an astonished heap in the street.

For a moment she was too stunned to move. She heard footsteps hurrying past her and managed to sit up dazedly. A man knelt down beside her but his face was a blur of features. "Take it easy," he admonished, placing an arm across her back. She tried to focus her eyes upon him and hadn't quite succeeded when he cried, "Penny! Why, Penny Lindsay! What in the world

are you doing out here?"

And then everything cleared and she saw the handsome, blond features of a former school friend. "Oh, Alan!" Tears tumbled over each other in hasty exit. He helped her to her feet. "Gee, it's good to see someone from the old home town. I've been so doggone lonely," he told her, manipulating the handkerchief skillfully around her nose and eyes.

and eyes.
"I'm lonely, too," she gasped.
"I've only been here a month."
"Say! What are you doing to-

night? Anything?"
"N-nothing." Her heart skipped a beat in anticipation.
"Then why don't we go somewhere and talk over old times? Gee, I'm

dying to hear some gossip about the Turners and the Mitchells and all the rest. Will you, Penny?"

And Penny smiled happily this time. "Yes, Alan. Even this ghastly weather couldn't stop me from talking over old times with you."

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By LYN CONNELLY

THE sharp wind lashed furiously about Larry's head and shoulders, flirting momentarily with the idea of sending his brown fedora spiraling down the street, but he sensed its capricious tendencies and held the brim of his hat tightly between his forefinger and thumb as he ran toward his car parked on the opposite corner.

It would be the last time he'd beat that particular path, he thought grimly. It was Christmas Eve and everybody was in a gay and anticipatory mood. Everybody, that is, except Larry. He had been reasonably happy until that morning when the whole world seemed to have crashed about him. Opening the door of the car, he slid in behind the wheel and started it toward home.

The face of Silas Henning, until fifteen minutes ago his boss, came to his mind and again he heard the words that he dreaded to repeat to Rosine: "I know you're not happy in your work, Larry, and it's not fair to either one of us when you don't put your best efforts into what you're doing. I think, therefore, that you'd better go elsewhere for a job. Today's as good a day as any to sever connections."

Fired on Christmas Eve! Of course, what Henning had said was true. Larry wasn't happy being a bookkeeper at Morrison's appliance shop. He had always yearned to be a writer, and wrote numerous short

stories during his spare time.

When Rosine told him of their expected second child he had taken the job at Morrison's through sheer desperation. No longer could they live on their savings. He considered the job as temporary, but it had



He picked up the letter at the same time she answered, "Truth

lasted seven months with still no prospects of entering the field he desired. Henning had seemed sympathetic, although he had cooled suddenly the past week. Perhaps in his daydreaming he had been inaccurate in his figures. At least Henning spared him any embarrassment if that were the case, but he could have waited until after the holidays to fire him. "And Bob Cratchit thought he worked for Scrooge," he mumbled, pulling up before his house.

H IS feet dragged as he trudged toward the door. He mustn't tell her tonight, he decided. He hoped he was capable of carrying off an act until the day after Christmas. Opening the door, he let himself in as unobtrusively as possible. Rosine was on a step ladder in the living room, decorating the tree, while Chuckie, aged five, sat on the floor,

agog at the proceedings.
"Hello, darling," his wife called
out gaily. He tried to equal the happiness in her voice as he replied,
then kissed Chuckie and started for
the kitchen.

"There's a letter for you on the radio," Rosine said. "From whom?", His heart reaped

"From whom?", His heart leaped hopefully at her words and he hurried toward the radio. He picked up the letter at the same time she answered, "Truth magazine."

It was from Truth. His hand trem bled as he opened it. "Dear Mr. Shannon," he read aloud. "Our mutual friend, Silas Henning, recently submitted one of your articles for our consideration. We believe it shows promise and since we were given a splendid recommendation by Mr. Henning, we are writing to ask if you would be interested in a job in our editorial department. If so, call for an interview this week."

The telephone was ringing, but for a moment, Larry and Rosine merely stood as though mute, staring at each other. Larry became conscious of the bell first and picked up the receiver. It was Mr. Henning, laughing heartily. "Bet I had you worried, eh, Larry?"

"Mr. Henning! I didn't know how did you. 'Larry was tongue-tied Rosin, walked to his side, putting one arm gently about his shoulder.

"I found that article you wrote on your son and the atomic age and sent it in to Asherton," Henning explained. "He's a good friend of mine and editor of Truth. Well, I won't hold you, Larry. Just wanted to wish you a merry Christmas."

"Merry Christmas, Mr. henning," Larry said as the telephone clicked at the other end. "Merry Christmas—and thanks for the lest one I've ever had."

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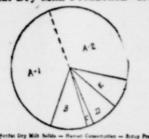
Milk Products Help In Conserving Grain **Better Rations Result** When Proteins Are Used

With a world grain emergency and a national drive to conserve grain used in feeding, and with grain prices high, milk by-products are more important than ever in poultry feeding.

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In preparing a balanced ration the object is to feed the correct proportion of the various nutrients that poultry require. In every case there is a point beyond which it is wasteful to include additional grain without providing other nutrients because the fowl cannot make complete economical use of all nourishment in additional grain.

Killing Chestnuts

The Asiatic blight which struck down native chestnut orchards in the United States, estimated at sums up to a hundred million dol-



Forest Fire Commissioner W. L. Shaddix inspecting chestnut burs for asiatic blight.

lars some 25 years ago, is still active, and doubt that it will pass over and let this luscious crop come back usually is accepted by well informed agriculturists.

Poultry Relish Grit: Aids Grinding Process

Grit is a material of value to poultry but full details are not yet definitely known, according to University of Delaware. It is certain that birds like it and, when grit is fed freely, they consume more than is actually needed. Grit containing a large amount of soluble calcium has been widely recommended but appears to have no advantage where other forms of calcium are included in the ration. Actually it might be detrimental, say Delaware specialists. Helping the gizzard in the grinding process is the only known function of grit. A hard mica grit of suitable size doubtless should be available to all chickens.

Productivity Depends Upon Organic Matter

The soil's ability to produce high crop yields needed to feed hungry millions depends on its organic matter supply. Soils rich in organic matter are good "sponges" for soaking up and holding rainfall for crops. Organic matter helps restore soil structure, improves tilth and helps plant roots get more nutrients from the soil. Use lime, fertilizers containing phosphorus and potash to get good catches of legumes.

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Christmas is the season that, above all others turns the thoughts of mankind back to the all. enveloping innocence of childhood-away from the pure selfishness and commercialism of the every-day world towards the joys of giving and Thi

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and your associates, and the New Year bring you every blessing peace and prosperity

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Sullivan Square platform; the woman, Rorty, and the girl. pped and still the girl waited. So orty waited too. He would have ted all day, as long as she was re, but he had an idea it wouldn't necessary. Rorty was tough, ther-skinned, hard-headed; you aldn't have thought it to look at n, but he had what amounted to extra sense, delicate little feelers perception, like invisible antene sprouting up from the round ick-hard skull. He could tell when mething was coming. Perhaps hat was what had made him a good op and, climbing from the ranks, a d detective; that and his amiwillingness to shoot it out on y and all occasions. Rorty was a ighty good man with a gun.

He was conscious of the weight of now, sheathed beneath his coat. Something was coming; sure, Mc-

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Hugh was coming. Any minute now. Rorty knew it. They knew that McHugh had written to her, but they hadn't known what he had said. Now it was obvious: He had rranged to meet her here, on a ertain El train at a certain time.

It was three o'clock in the afteron and Rorty had been trailing he girl most of the day. He was ing to bring McHugh in by himdead, as the saying goes, or live. Most likely dead, or near it. rty had a notion McHugh would his gun before he'd let anyone ke him; well, that was fine with rty. Let McHugh's hand move nd he would see Rorty's hand nove, but quicker, and that would e about the last thing he would see. ake no chances with a killer, most all a young one.

So Rorty stood there with his rewy extra sense thrumming like lin string, listening to the rumle of the approaching train. He had en pretending to be in difficulties with a gum-vending machine on the platform. Now he gave it a couple of last jerks. His eyes slanted and he saw the girl stop her nervous pacing and stare at the train comng in. He saw that and he noticed too, though absently, the old woman who was the third person on the platform. She was feeding peanuts to the pigeons that always whirl and out and parade around Sullivan quare. She was a tiny little thing. n drab black clothes, and she was miling at the pigeons milling at her leet, strutting up for what she had

to give them. The train rattled in and stopped with hiss and shudder of air. It didn't bother the pigeons; they were used to the El. The middle door of the first car opened and Rorty

HERE were three people on the car opposite him. But the pigeons weren't used to Rorty and they were closer than he'd thought; at his sudree south - bound trains had den approach they leaped into the air with clattering wings, a whirling cloud. Rorty dodged and smacked squarely into the old woman. He weighed two hundred pounds; she went down. He hadn't hurt her, but by the time he'd gone through the automatic reaction of picking her up and seeing that she was all right, the doors were closed and the train was on its way.

"Thank you," the old woman said, but Rorty wasn't there to hear it. He was taking the steps four at a time to get to the street for a cab. "Gotta catch that train at the next luck, just crummy luck. station!" he bawled. "Step on it!" "I've been going stra

The pupils of her eyes seemed to swell as she peered at him. "Did you-do it, Mart?"

"The murder? Kit, you know. You know I've been straight since I got out. I've been sticking to the job. I've been getting good pay, I was in line for a raise when this—"

"But the police!" "It's a mistake. I swear it but I can't prove it. I was living in this cheap joint saving money so you could come on soon. Someone tricked this rich guy in there and 'tilled him. I knew they'd look up my record and pin it on me, just like they did, so I beat it first. It's just

"I've been going straight, Kit. I



Rorty dodged and smacked squarely into the woman . . . the doors closed and the train was on its way.

The driver nodded. "Okay, boss." He yanked the wheels and slapped her through low to high. A light held them. "You wanna see the paper?" he asked, like a good tip-wise hackster. He fumbled for it in the bucket seat to pass it back to Rorty.

"Dickens with it," Rorty complained, trying to get a look at the train above. "Step on this can, will you?" Then he referred to the pigeons in picturesque speech.

THE girl found a seat and the young man held a strap in front of her. Both faces were young; alike too in that they were strained, white and empty. She moved to where there was more space and he followed and dropped down beside her.

"You shouldn't have come, Mart. You shouldn't have taken the chance."

"I had to see you," he said. "May-be the last time. They won't take

even been going to church. I even told one of the curates all about us. He said when you came on we could be married right, in church, I mean." He looked at her quickly. "Did you tell anybody?"

"I had to," she said. "I told Ma. She would have known soon anyway. She wasn't against you, Mart, in-in spite of getting mixed up in that trouble. She said she felt you'd be a good man if you ever got a chance. Oh, Mart, what are we going to do?"

"I'll get to Canada," he said. "I'll get there. Unless they-they catch up with me. They aren't taking me, Kit. I can't help it, baby; I'm not letting them take me. I got a gun here and I'll-"

"Oh no, Mart! No, no, no!" Rorty missed it at City Square, but he got it at Friend street. He knew they hadn't left the train; he would have seen them. He caught it, all right, but not alone. "First pi-Rorty muttered under his breath with a few other words, "and now these lugs." He meant about fifty high school boys and girls. They were talking, laughing and pushing, and Rorty was jammed with them into the car, where apparently they all wanted to stay. Mc-Hugh wasn't much older than any of these, Rorty thought grimly; well, too bad, too bad; product of environment, they called it; polite way of saying slums. He could see McHugh and the girl up in the car ahead, that wasn't crowded. Plenty of space, Rorty thought, if McHugh went for it. Tough in front of the

girl, but what could you do? Rorty shoved his way forward, inch by inch. He didn't need that extra sense now, he could see what he was going after, but still it was plucking at his nerves. Maybe it means you're going to get it this time, Rorty. Maybe, maybe. "Doggone it," Rorty grunted, "out of my way, will you!" He was jammed between a kid and a fat man, and the fat men was trying to read his A paper, and the front page was literally pushed into Rorty's face. He

couldn't help seeing it. "McHugh Boy Innocent . . . Murderer Confesses . . . McHugh Exon-erated . . . Flight Attributed to Panic . .

The train pulled into Boylston street while Rorty was still reading. He shouldcred past the fat man, went out the door and walked down the piatform. He put his arm in an open window and tapped McHugh on the shoulder and said quickly:

"You're okay, we don't want you. Hey, leave that gun alone now; throw it away. Don't get scared so quick after this." As the train jolted ahead he shouted from the platform, 'Buy a paper!"

"What did he mean?" Kit gasped. "Gee-gee, I don't know. Gee, I-I- Say, he said, get a paper. I haven't any change. You got any

pennies?" "No," Kit said. She smiled: The first time in a week, it must have been. "You want to know why? See, Ma knew I was going to meet you. She wanted to have one good look at you, she said. She promised she'd name of national defense. We now act like she didn't know me, so I are going to provide billions of dol-told her where. She said it'd look lars, 15 to 20 such billions, for the told her where. She said it'd look better if she was doing something, and I gave her my last few cents to buy peanuts for the pigeons."

WITH THE COLUMNISTS

WALTER SHEAD

Threat to Free Enterprise

"I WISH someone would explain what kind of free enterprise it is that compels a free enterpriser to buy from his competitor or close up shop."

The speaker was J. P. Seiberling, president of Seiberling Rubber company, before a house committee's hearing on sale of government-owned rubber plants. Seiberling was voicing opposition to the same sort of thing independent steel, aluminum, glass and other industries have complained about in the sale of other government-owned plants to private industry—when the only private industry big enough to buy is the already monopolistic, powerful, competitive "big industry."

As a matter of fact, there is no such thing as free enterprise

in this country in the several branches of industry where the big boys have a throttlehold on competition.

Seiberling declared, first, that these government owned synthetic rubber plants which cost the taxpayers a half billion dollars should not be sold until a national emergency rubber stockpile is built, nor so long as the government requires mandatory use of synthetic rubber in tires. He pointed out that companies of moderate size which could not buy the plants would be required to purchase synthetic rubber from their competitors, which would give the big rubber manufacturers a "real and possibly decisive competitive advantage."

WALTER WINCHELL

Doodling on the Typewriter

entices the lustiest applause. The posies Vicki Cummings gets backstage at "Love or Money" are from the stagdoorkeepers of her last four flops.

Headline: "King George Outquips Bob Hope." Blimey! What's 'is bloody 'hooper? . . . Hope presented Their Majesties with autographed pictures. They'd have preferred autographed checks.

Gloria Swanson may be the next

Great description of "news" by a | town at first. Girl-talk stuff. . leader of India: "News is anything that is bad." . . . Eisenhower's appearance on the newsreel screens basketball.

The Gen. Bennett Meyers war frauds thing (and the way he dragged in a mar-ried woman's name) recalls the Harry K. Thaw murder case. . . Thaw shot archi-tect Stanford White dead (on the Madison Sauare Garden roof) for "seducing" Mrs. Thaw, showgirl Evelyn Neshit. . . . The millionaire-killer heat the chair by doing a bit in the daffy house until the public cooled off. . . . The N. Y. World (a respectable newspaper) "tried the case in the papers" by running a contest before the trial offering \$500 for the best letter telling why Thaw should die... The winning letter: "Any man who, to save his own of the syndicated columnists—out of an into the case, doesn't deserve to live."

DREW PEARSON

Voluntary Price Control Fails

FEDERAL RESERVE board insiders report that more and more of the country's big business leaders are coming to the view that voluntary controls on prices will not work and that congress eventually will have to enact the President's 10-point program of compulsory controls on prices,

Typical example of the ineffectiveness of voluntary controls—
or self-policing by industry—is the wild competitive war that has broken out in the mail-order industry since expiration of Regulation W, under which the government required a one-third down payment and a year to pay for goods purchased on the installment

Bowing to competition within the industry, major mail order houses have slashed the down payment to 10 per cent on most merchandise.

Meantime, many other installment firms are requiring no down payment at all. It was such "easy credit" buying that led to the last depression, and that is why more and more of the nation's business leaders reluctantly are coming around to the view that the only realistic way to deal with mounting prices, credit expansion and other inflation germs is by returning to compulsory controls.

H. I. PHILLIPS

Love and Pickets

trigued by anything in years as much as it has by the case of a New York woman who, claiming that her sweetie-pie wasn't living up to his promise to wed her, picketed his home. She marched up and down before the house bearing the equivalent of "Unfair" banners. The idea opens infinite possibilities in the world of romance.

It may be difficult to tell from a couple's actions whether they are making love or just going through arbitration proceedings.

Who will be able to observe any boy and girl and say for certain whether they are going together or just talking over their latest jurisdictional dispute?

This department hasn't been in- / That action of Hollywood's top men in firing some dozen Reds, while generally welcome in the matter of known Communists, was certainly a new development in the slow motion technique.

> HOT STUFF My mind quite receptive will shortly be filled With gossip (the spiciest yet): Yes, soon the most colorful news will be spilled . . . It's hairdresser day for my pet! Pier.

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. . .

The candor kid again.

WESTBROOK PEGLER Politics in Teamsters' Union

HOSTILE agent with intent to unmask the boss politicians of the Teamsters' union and to make them appear ridiculous and mean could not conjure more effective bombast than they proudly publish in their own journals. The ignorance expressed in some of the royal and imperial bulls of Dan Tobin, the "international" president, is stupidly

Dave Beck of Seattle, Tobin's assigned protector in the Northwestern province, has the sense to employ professional talent in mixing the hogwash published in his Washington Teamster, Tobin edits his own International Teamster.

Beck is the aspirant to Tobin's throne. The old bumbler thought Beck seemed a little too eager when he called off the vandal goons in the Oakland general strike last winter. Tobin already had called them off and was awaiting acclaim when word came that Beck was the man of the hour. The old flannel-mouth's own message had been held up while Beck beat him to the streets with the order to cease and desist. Then last August the union held, in San Francisco, its great interna-

tional convention of dukes, princes and barons, come from near and far on lavish expense accounts.

With Old Dan's blessing, Beck put through a constitutional amendment creating the special office of executive vice-president with plenary powers. That being done, Beck's only remaining uncertainty lay in the risk that Tobin might name someone else to this job.

WRIGHT PATTERSON

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That's Ambition

It was the job of Joey, the village dullard, as "Keeper of the Cannon," to polish the antique cannon in the village square. During a celebration, the mayor commented on the brightness of the brasswork and suggested the crowd give Joey a rousing vote of thanks. Joey beamed all the way home. "Maw," he boasted to his wife, "the mayor said what a nice job I been doin' on the cannon. Everybody gave me three cheers!

"You know," said his wife, "I've been thinkin'. You been on that job more'n 40 years and got no place. Why don't you buy a cannon and go into business for



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grinned and turned and took three me, Kit. I'm better dead than in the quick steps toward the door of the pen again."

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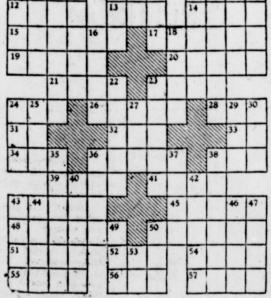
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 At Christmastime we greet good friends. li neath our root you've rested, come again and be retreshed. If you have never crossed our threshold, visit us in the months ahead. To one and all we say.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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ER.-PRESS WANT ADS HAVE FARMER'S INTEREST COSTS BUT TWO CENTS A WORD



By HELEN PETRONE

JANET opened the door to her apartment, thinking as she did so that it had been only a week since Craig and she had shared this apartment they called their "ivory tower," named that because of its odd shape. It had been a storage room until the housing shortage became prevalent. Then old Mrs. Root, feeling sympathetic toward the plight of Janet and Craig Norris, newly married and homeless, had cleared it out, partitioned it off into two small rooms and rented it to them.

That was just 13 months ago, Janet remembered, dropping her gloves on the table and lighting the lamp with the same gesture. They had been married only three weeks, just long enough to realize they were imposing on Craig's family who were cramped for quarters themselves.

Just a week ago they had the



'She sat down at the window and ooked out at the dark, starless sky.'

to his pride from the day of their wedding that Janet should continue working. She enjoyed her position in the advertising firm where she had risen from a clerk to copy writer in just two years. Since she left the house after Craig in the morning and returned before him at night, she never felt her working interfered in any way with her house-hold duties. But friends had spoiled everything with their snide remarks about "poor Janet still working," and it was more than Craig could bear. "They think I can't support you!" he'd storm at her, but the more he pleaded the more adamant she had become. And now he was

The whole thing seemed so unimportant now. She glanced at the telephone, half-inclined to call him home, but her own recalcitrant nature refused to allow such a move. She turned on the radio instead and pretended the tears that welled in her eyes at the strains of "Silent Night" were merely tears of weariness after the preparation of the office party that morning. Deliberately she opened the dresser drawer to put away last night's ironing. Her souvenir box loomed temptingly before her. Lifting the cover, she stared at the items she had collected: Craig's class ring, exchanged for a diamond after their graduation from college; a pressed orchid, one of those she had carried at her wedding; various cards, Christmas, anniversary, birthday, valentine. She picked up a small gift card and read again, "To my dear wife, Janet, on our first Christmas." It was the card with the watch he had given her last year.

TREMBLING, she closed the box and turned quickly from the dresser. decided. Without Craig, Christmas could never hold the same meaning for her as it once had. She didn't stop to lock the door for there was nothing of value anyone could steal from her. Even her \$100 Christmas bonus lying on the table went unnoticed. The one thing she must not lose was happiness, and that was no longer in her home with Craig gone.

She hurried into her coat as she started breathlessly down the 31/2 flights of stairs. Tears coursed down her cheeks and she prayed with fanatic zest that she was not too late. As she reached the last flight of stairs, she crashed into a figure who was hurrying up, as oblivious of his surroundings as she. She gasped at the impact, but the man quickly regained his balance and caught her before she could fall. "Janet!"

She looked at him almost in dis-belief. Then, throwing her arms about him she gave full vent to her tears. "Oh, Craig! Darling, I was

just coming for you."

He kissed her and held her tightly. "Janet, I've been such a root.
I didn't realize until tonight what an
awful thing pride can be Will you ever forgive me?"
She sighed. "There's nothing to

forgive, Craig. I was the one who was wrong. I'm going to quit my job right away."

"No, you mustn't. I don't want to deprive you of any happiness and if you want to work, I'm not going to stop you."

She laughed snakily. "We'll argue that out later, shall we?" Arm in arm they climbed up the stairs

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The Index Editor

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On Waiting for George

My name happens to be George But today I would like to use these paragraphs in presenting the thoughts of a friend of mine named James, who writes about another George: the George that everybody waits for. Our guest writer is Dr. James W. Fifield, Jr., a minister on the West Coast. An inspirational religious leader for many years, Dr. Fifield is also a leader in his community's civic life.

Dr. Fifield is much interested in the welfare of the common man. He believes that national problems deserve the attention of the entire public. A scholar of public opinion and public questions for a long time, Dr. Fifield is a careful observer of trends. An active contributor to religious journals and to radio programs, he knows also how to express his ideas.

"Who Is George?" "Most everyone I know thinks the world is in a mess. They think that trends in our country are wrong, that we are threatened with dark days unless trends are changed, but they are waiting for George to change them.

"Recently I spoke to a gathering of educational administrators. As I visited with different ones, I found them greatly concerned. They feel there is more frustration and anxiety now than at any time during the war. They recognize that education has helped create the problem which presently exists, but they are waiting for George to remedy it.

"At a conference of business executives recently there was discussion concerning relations with Russia, and concerning United Nations difficulties

Add Dark Touches "There was discussion concerning a concentration of power in our federal government to such an extent that people practically addressed their prayers to Washington instead of to God. But after all the dark touches had been added to the picture it was obvious that they are waiting for George to solve the problem. 'Who is George?

"George is you and me and others like you and me, who have contributed to the problem by our lack of a personal sense of responsibility. We have let elected officials and others run things for us and have not even voted. We have eagerly lapped up government subsidies and benefits without thinking of their anti-freedom implications.

All of Us "Georges" "Unless we quit waiting for George to save the country and unless we ourselves get back to fundamental responsibilities, then the things that matter most, including Freedom, are not going to be saved. Through resolute action, however, the trends can still be reversed. The problem doesn't belong to Georgeit belongs to you and me.

In This Joyous Season of Christmas

we want to renew all our old friendships, want each of you to feel your importance to us, and to realize that without you the story would have been quite different. A very Merry Christmas to all of you, friendly people of this

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Time To Be Happy!

Christmastide is the one time in the year when we should all be as happy as a boy with a bright new sled. So let's light up our faces and our hearts when we light up our trees, and here's wishing for you and your family the happiest Christmas you've ever had.

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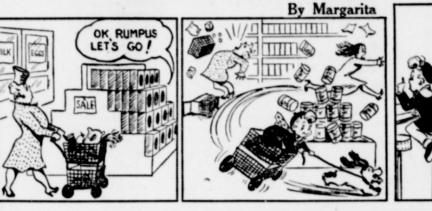


HELP YOURSEL



Remember when you were so anxious to hear the

patter of little feet around the house?"





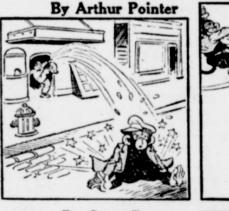
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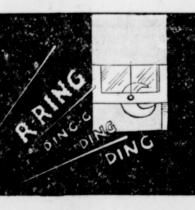






















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or doors in paint. This helps to prevent rusting and gives a more finished appearance to the room. A piece of fine sandpaper damp-

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mohair or felt. Rub lightly. When placing a heavy wet arti-

cle on a hanger to dry, pad the hanger well by wrapping a towel around it. This gives better shape to the article as it dries and prevents it from being marred by rust.

Wax the clothes chute and clothes will slide down easily.

Improvise a sleeve board by taking the kitchen rolling pin and wrap it with several clean towels. This forms a firm padded surface to slip into the sleeve and iron over.

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Turn the broom from time to time when sweeping so the bristles wear evenly.

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In Colonial times Christmastide was the gayest and happiest season of the year ... and so it is today. It is our sincere wish that during this Christmas of 1947 the warm, sweet joys of this blessed season may fill your hearts to overflowing.

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By DANIEL F. LINDSAY

TOM LARKIN opened the kitchen door. His wife looked up with a hopeful smile as he entered. He just shook his head.

"No mail at all?" she said as she went on fixing dinner.
"Oh, there were a couple of ads

"Oh, there were a couple of ads and a bill from the seed company." He hung his hat on a hook and crossed to the pump. His white hair was damp around his face when he straightened up again.
"It's just not like Bill," she sighed.

"It's just not like Bill," she sighed.
"Bill's got an unforgivin' streak,
always did have, even when he was
a little feller." Pa's old briar gave
off a pungent odor as he lit it.

"But this is different, Tom," she said, putting a pan of biscuits in the oven, "tomorrow is Christmas. It's a long way to the coast. Maybe he wrote but didn't mail it in time."

"Ma," his tired old voice was filled with bitterness, "there's no



"She could see Pa striding into the living room."

need to stick pins in yourself by hopin'. Christmas or no Christmas . . . that boy is still mad."

The old lady's eyes shone with faith. "He might stay mad all year long but when Christmas comes . . . he'll write. I know. I'm his Ma."

"Don't forget," Tom said as he blew smoke at the ceiling. His eyes crinkled at the corners, "I'm his father."

"Dinner's ready, Pa," she said, filled with a deep longing and fought to keep the tears out of her voice. "I c'n understand that boy still bein' mad at me, but why does he have to take it out on you?"

have to take it out on you?"

"You're wrong, Tom," Ma replied
as she lifted her head and smiled.
"The day after Christmas, first delivery, we'll get a letter. You'll

"Not from him," he shook his head grimly.

"You're forgettin' Judy," she reminded him as they sat down. "She's a good daughter-in-law." "Oh, I'm not blamin' her," reply-

ing as he covered his biscuits with gravy, "Judy's a fine girl. It's his bull he ded pride."

She got up and taking the coffee below the contest of the cont

She got up and taking the coffee pot off the cook stove filled his cup. They are on in silence. Finally he pushed his patch back.

"You aren't eatin' much," he colded.

"I'm just not hungry, Pa."
"I see," he stood up. "I'm goin' out and turn the heater on in the hen house. It'll be cold tonight." His old shoulders slumped forward as he went outside. She shook her head and started picking up the dishes. Her mind sank back into the past. To the days when Christmas was alive with the excitement and laughter of young voices. She could see Pa striding into the living room bearing a large evergreen on his shoulder. Behind him there was always a highly excited little boy, bearing an axe. She wondered if the little boy ever thought of it.

PA CAME back on the porch. She smiled as he kicked his toe against the threshold. It's a wonder, she thought, that there's any threshold left after all these years. He came into the kitchen, dumping an arm load of kindling in the box behind the range.

"Snowin', Pa?"

He shook his head and took off his wraps, replying, "Stopped."

She hung the dish towels up to dry. He pulled a rocker in from the

living room and sat down.
"Everything all right in the barn?" Ma asked as she threw a few lumps of coal in the fire.

few lumps of coal in the fire.
"Sure," Pa said. A sad smile crossed his lips, "What's the use pretendin', Ma? We're both feelin' blue."

She sat down at the old kitchen table and started peeling apples, uttered, "I know it."
"Gonna bake me a pie?" he asked.

She nodded. "Apple was always Billy's favorite, too." "Now, Ma, what's the use or ..." he stopped as they heard a car

he stopped as they heard a cardrive up in the yard. "Must be Jim Rogers Said today that new calf of his was sick." He opened the kitchen door and peered out into the night. She could hear him catch his breath as he watched a man and a woman get out. "Ma, who do you think?" his voice was low.

"I knew," Ma laughed as she laid

"I knew," Ma laughed as she laid the paring knife down with a happy smile, "I knew it all the time."

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Hog Mange Causes Average Loss of \$2 New Insecticide Proves

Effective in Control

Common mange of hogs is another widespread disease that has yielded to the results of animal health re-

widespread disease that has yielded to the results of animal health research. The U. S. department of agriculture says the average losses from mange probably amount to \$2 a head. This figure covers the loss from stunted growth, delay in fattening, occasional deaths and dockage when mangy hogs are marketed.

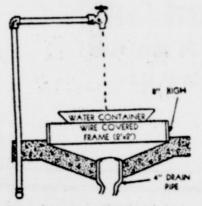
The effective weapon against mange is benzene hexachloride, frequently referred to as "666." In Nebraska tests this newly-discovered insecticide was so effective it eradicated mange with one treatment. Not only did it eradicate mange — it also got rid of lice. This makes the old mange treatments obsolete.

In the Nebraska tests, crude benzene hexachloride (a wettable powder) was mixed with water (10 pounds powder in 100 gallons) and sprayed on the hogs.

One objectionable feature of the crude benzene hexachloride is its terrific odor. This odor is not present to any marked degree in commercial hog oils prepared by use of a solvent which takes the active ingredient (the gamma isomer) out of the crude benezene hexachloride and leaves behind the ineffective ingredients—the ones that have the disagreeable odor.

Herds and Flocks

Pond water piped to farm buildings for livestock can be filtered by building a solid housing of soft brick (laid in cement) over the end of the pipe in the bottom of the pond.



Water filters through the pores of the brick.

First treatment for cattle grubs should be made early in winter, as soon as the tell-tale bumps appear on the backs of animals. Several treatments a month apart will be necessary. Use a cattle grub dust containing 1½ per cent rotenone.

The current shortage of feed makes it important to do continuous culling in the laying house.

Dairy cows lose a lot of energy pulling through heavy mud in the barn lots. Lost energy means less milk. Paved lots that take cows out of the mud soon pay for themselves.

Mow and Spray in One Operation Pays Well



Prof. B. B. Robb of Cornell university demonstrates a mow and weed gadget for applying 2,4-D to lawns. A regular garden sprayer is filled with 2,4-D mixture and pumped up ready for use. Fastened to the lawn mower the sprayer carries a two nozzle boom ahead of the blades and contains enough mixture to cover at least half an acre of lawn.

Midwest Barley Growers To Compete in Contest

A \$30,000 contest which stresses the importance of certified seed, early planting, seed treatment, use of commercial fertilizer and timely and careful harvesting in growing barley as a cash grain crop that under proved methods of production commands a premium price is announced by the Midwest Barley Improvement association, Milwaukee. The prizes are offered to farmers in seven Midwest states.

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more than at any other season, people feel friendly. It's in the very air. In this spirit, then, we offer you our best wishes for a very Merry Christmas.

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In weal or woe, under all conditions, the cheery Merry Christmas comes to the surface. It's natural in mankind. Everyone appreciates a hearty Yuletide greeting—and so, to all our friends, we add our wish for a

MERRY CHRISTMAS



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CHRISTMAS

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Let us toss our cares out the window. It's Christmas! Join with us in celebrating the glorious holiday.

And Merry Christma. TO YOU

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

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

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SEASON'S GREETINGS



Fritz Service Station Calvin Fritz

By DANIEL F. LINDSAY

ALLY O'NEIL walked slowly up the front steps. Her mother watched her from behind the curtain. Being five years old and having a problem had her near tears. She reached up on tip toes and opened the door.

"Kally, honey. Come in here a minute." Kally pushed the hood of her snow suit back and went into the living room.

"What do you want, Mommie?"
She shook her blonde curls free.
"Oh, nothing much," her mother smiled, "I just want to know why my little girl looks so sad?"
"Well, Mommie," she slipped her coat off, "it's that girl down the

"Yes, dear, what about her?" Kally could stand it no longer. She burst into tears and running over laid her head on her mother's lap.

'That girl says," she sobbed, "that

there isn't any Santa Claus."
"Well, now," her mother leaned down and gently bit the tip of her ear, "who'd ever believe a tale like

"You don't believe her?"
"Of course not," she smiled down into the worried blue eyes. "We know there's a Santa Claus."

"B-but she said Daddy was him." "Oh, pooh. Sit down there on the floor and I'll help you get your snow pants off.

'We could ask Daddy," Kally sug-

"Yes, we could," she had an inspiration. "Better still we can wait until tomorrow night and see for ourselves."

"We can?" she sat up in surprise.
"Sure. You go to bed just like always, then when he comes I'll



"Santa was just coming out."

She got up from the floor all excited. "You mean we can peek?"

"That's just what we'll do." 'George," she turned to her husband that evening after Kally had been put to bed, "our daughter has quite a problem."

"Women always have problems," he smiled over his newspaper. "What is it this time?"

"She knows about Santa." "That's too bad," he pursed his lips, "but what can we do?"

"Get someone to put her toys under the tree while she watches." "Sure," he laid the paper down, "why couldn't I do it?"

"She heard that you are Santa."
He chuckled. "She isn't the only woman in the family who thinks that."

"How about Bob Perkins?" she ignored his attempt at humor. "He's

the right build." "Okay," he agreed, "I'll arrange it in the morning."

"Kally," her mother shook her ntly, "Santa is downstairs." "He is?" she sat up rubbing her

eyes, "HE IS?!" 'Okay," she slipped out of bed and into her slippers. In the early morning light she looked like a tiny blond

"Put on your robe."

SHE got it and took her mother's hand. They crept down the stairs. Mommie held her back while she made sure Santa wasn't smoking a cigar. He was placing gifts around the tree. She motioned her to look. Kally peeked around the corner with big eyes. Then her head darted

"Where's daddy?" she asked in a

stage whisper.
They heard footsteps on the stairs. Daddy crept down. Kally peeked around the corner again. Santa was just coming out with an army barracks bag over his shoulder. The three of them ran and hid behind the staircase. As soon as the front door slammed Kally was up the steps like a shot.

'Hey, Sweetheart," Daddy called after her, "he left the toys in the living room." He stopped as he heard his wife's laughter.

"What's the matter with her?" he glared at her suspiciously. "Doesn't she like the little tike?"

"I'm afraid, dear, that you'll nev-er understand the feminine mind." "What do you mean . . . where's she going?"
"To get her coat."
"Her coat . . . why?"
"She's going down the street to

tell the little girl that she's all wet. Because she has just seen Santa in her front room.'

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Foundation's Aim to Make Vets Happier

America has not forgotten, nor will it ever forget, the 125,000 more or less permanent patients in veterans hospitals through the nation.

That noble intent, held by grate-

tul citizens everywhere, has crystallized into concrete and dynamic action during 1947 with establishment on a country wide scope of the Hospitalized. Veterans Foundation I.e.

It is a non-profit, non-sectarian, non-political organization. Born in a spirit of thankfulness and altruism, it is designed to provide greater comfort and happier hours for many and women for whom the for men and women for whom the war will never end.

war will never end.

Specifically, the Hospitalized Veterans Foundation will furnish—
Individual bedside radio receiving sets of types best suited to the patients' needs;

Special network and transcribed radio shows designed particularly for their entertainment;

Television sets, phonographs and record-playing equipment to meet

record-playing equipment to meet their special entertainment require-

ments;
Ceiling projectors for book reading by bed-ridden heroes; late phonograph recording releases; 16 mm projectors and films; other equipment which may be required from time to time by chaplains at veterans' hospitals;
Traveling theatrical units to tour

erans' hospitals;
Traveling theatrical units to tour the wards after the wartime USO-Camp Show organization is disbanded on December 31.

The Foundation is in able hands to fill the needs of more than 140 veterans' hospitals and homes throughout the country, which treated so far in 1947 more than 500,000 veterans — about 125,000 of these permanent or semi-permanent.

nent.

It was incorporated early in 1947by a group of prominent businessmen, industrialists, educators, veterans' leaders and top personalities
of stage, screen and radio. The result is a balanced, efficient operation

Local chapters of the Foundation have already been established in a dozen major states from New York to California. Other state chapters will be formed as suitable outstand-

brought together.

Nobody but the hospitalized veterans benefit in any way from the Foundation activities. No officer, director or member receives compensation for his work. These pubpensation for his work. These public-spirited men and women contribute generously of time and effort to provide greater comfort and happier hours for the nation's living marters. living martyrs.

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deeply concerned about.
Western Europe's grain crop is pitifully short of the scarcely ample goal the farmers hoped to reach. Weather beat them. Our own 1947 wheat crop hit a record high

high.
IF you and I take a few necessary steps, Uncle Sam can make up Europe's shortage and avert famine with its ugly consequences . . . certain to involve

How about it? Can we get our families to save on bread—one slice of bread each per day? Can we make an honest effort to substitute other food for meat on Tuesdays . . . to eat no eggs on Thursdays? Just for a few

We can and must to prevent a world crisis.

Let's all save wheat — save meat — save the peace.



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the next best thing is to
put our greetings in print.

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FOLKS ARE HOPING
THAT ALL OF
YOUR FOLKS WILL
SPEND A MIGHTY

Merry Christmas

O'Donnell Bargain Store

Mrs. E. Clemage and Family



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Thompson's Toggery



A-MERRY-CHRISTMAS

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A Christmas of joy and contentment; of peace, good cheer and happiness—that is our wish for you this joyous boliday season.

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WITH PEACE AND PROSPERITY, WE SHOULD ALL BE HAPPIER AN EVER THIS YEAR. DURING THE CHRISTMAS SEASON. ITS TRY TO FORGET OUR CARES. FOR OUR PART, WE WANT O ADD OUR FELICITATIONS TO THE MANY OTHERS YOU ARE SCHIVING BY WISHING YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS-THE

Happiest Christmas Ever!

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SEASON'S GREETINGS



IF WE HAD OUR WAY ABOUT IT, 1948 WOULD BE A BIG BUDGET OF GOOD NEWS FOR YOU.

ACCEPT OUR BEST WISHES FOR YOUR HAPPINESS IN THE YEAR TO COME.

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the Church of England, the prayer for the last Sunday before Advent began with the words "Stir up." The people of Peterborough took this to be a reminder that they should start their plum pudding at that time, and everybody in the family took a hand in the stirring until it was ready on Christmas.

This indispensable old-time English Christmas dish was furmety, or frumenty, which according to old-time recipes was "wheat boiled until the grains burst, then strained and boiled again with broth or milk and yolks of eggs." Frumenty was the forerunner to plum pudding.

Alms Giving Custom A Christmas Charity

Giving alms at Christmas origi-nated in the belief that the Christ came sometimes to the door disguised as a beggar during the holiday season, and it was feared that he might be turned away unrecog-nized. There is an old legend that tells of the Christ child going from door to door on Christmas Eve in search of those who were kind, and deserving. His test was to plead for aid and often he was turned away from the door. This story led to alms giving on Christmas Eve and it was rare that a beggar was



Near Bethlehem did shepherds keep Their flocks of lambs and feeding

Two whom God's angels did appear, Which put the shepherds in great

"Prepare and go," the angels said,
"To Bethelehem, be not afraid; For there you'll find this happy A princely babe, sweet Jesus born."



METHODIST NEWS

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LUBBOCK PROPERTY FRADE: Will tarde my Lubbock for O'Donnell residence. House was built two years age and is two miles from Court. House just east of the canyon, south of Broadway, two blocks off pavement. Four rooms and bath, garage, walks, fenced in back yard. See Rev. J A Branaman, Calvary Bap-

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and a MERRY CHRISTMAS

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"Smart Clothes for Women"



It has been a good year for us. To the customers we have been privileged to serve in 1947 we express our deep appreciation, together with our assurance of continued friendly service in the days to come. May every member of this community pursue his or her happiness during 1948 amid peace and plenty!

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Lamesa's Leading Store



New Worlds to conquer Let this be your slogan and my slogan Let this be a Happy Christmas, Let us renew our faith in Human Beings, The world goes forward Only if each one of us do our daily task.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS FROM

Price Hospital & Staff

- Again gay carols ring out with their cheery message of holiday joy.
- In the old, old spirit of Christmas, voices of the carolers echo the message of "... tidings of great joy." Thus, too, do we join the carolers in wishing for you the blessed gifts of Peace on Earth, Joy, Good Will to Men.

COLLINS Lamesa's Finest Department Store



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ANOTHER YEAR has passed. Again glad bells are pealing out the Christmas story. Happy children and parents are planning for the day in the glorious old-fashioned way. Everyone is thrilled by the magic spell of Christmas for they know the spirit of the Christ Child is in the land.

Higginbotham Funeral Home

and Higginbotham Security Burlal Association



Once Again we greet the New Year in the traditional manner—with pealing bells, with fun and gaiety, laughter and music.

Despite his ingenuity, man still persists in "watching the old year out and greeting the new year" in almost the identical manner of his forefathers.

In that same identical manner, we extend our traditional New Year's greeting to you:

MAY HEALTH, HAPPINESS
AND PROSPERITY BE YOURS TODAY AND
THROUGHOUT THE NEW YEAR

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Merriest Christmas

Times have changed since we started business in this community many years ago, and we have seen a great many changes. But one thing always remains the same. We continue to serve in the best possible manner the very best people it is possible to serve. We could ask for no finer list of customers, no better group of friends.

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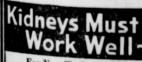
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Greet the New Year With a Buffet Supper! (See recipes below.

Welcome the New Year

Do you like to fix big platters of food and set a large table? If you do, then this is the time to have a feast. Invite some of your friends with whom you'd like to welcome the new year, and serve them a snack buffet style.

Naturally, this can be on the eve of the New Year itself, or at any

time in the afternoon or early evening of the day itself. You'll have fun, too, because there's the feeling of turning a clean page in your life, and it's only natural you

should want to start out such an occasion with your friends. Your menu does not need to be expensive. Select one of these menus and work it out with your

linens and dishes. Menu I. Savory Meat Pie Lettuce with Russian Dressing Cloverleaf Rolls Beverage Peach Gelatin

The meat pie is savory and tempting for the cooler weather, and menfolk will like its meatiness. The dessert is especially lovely but easy to make; in fact, why not make both of these things ahead of time?

Savory Meat Pie. (Serves 6) 1 pound beef chuck 1 pound lamb shoulder Flour for dredging

Lard for browning 12 small onions 4 carrots potatoes

cup string beans 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce 2 cups meat stock

Have meat cut in one-inch cubes. Dredge with flour and brown in hot lard. Season with salt and pepper and place in casserole. Also pile vegetables into casserole. Add 4 tablespoons flour to fat in pan where meat was browned, and stir until thickened. Add 2 cups meat stock and let cook until thick. Pour this over the meat and vegetables and cook in a moderate oven (350 degrees) for 20 minutes. Remove from oven and top with a biscuit crust. Return to a hot oven (400 degrees) for another 20 minutes and bake until crust is well browned. If you want a nice glaze on the crust, brush with beaten egg before baking.

Peach Gelatin. (Serves 6)

4 or 5 canned cling peach halves 1 package raspberry-flavored gelatin

1 cup hot water

1 cup peach syrup Arrange peach halves, smooth side down, in bottom of a large round mold or pan. Dissolve gelatin in hot water; add peach syrup and stir to blend. Pour sufficient gelatin mixture over peaches to cover. Chill. Chill remaining gelatin until congealed but not firm. Whip until very light and thick. Pour over plain gelatin. Chill until firm. Unmold. Serve with table cream, soft custard or

whipped cream. Russian Dressing. (Makes 11/4 cups) 1 cup olive or salad oil 1/4 cup vinegar

1/2 teaspoon salt Few grains cayenne 34 teaspoon white pepper 2 tablespoons chopped parsley

2 teaspoons prepared horseradish LYNN SAYS:

Tested Cooking Hints Save You Time Green peppers taste best in salad

when shredded or slivered finely rather than chopped. When you make cream puffs, drop the dough into muffin tins instead of on a cookie pan to insure high

puffs. Using two spoons instead of a fork when turning a roast in a pan will save the juices because there is no pricking of the surface.

LYNN CHAMBERS' MENU

Platter of Cold Sliced Turkey, Beef or Ham with Assorted Cheese Potatoes Au Gratin Molded Vegetable Slaw Spiced Pears Crisp Celery Plum Pudding Hard Sauce Beverage

Combine, beat or shake thoroughly before using. Pour over crisp wedges of lettuce.

With the price of tender cuts of meat so high, you may feel you'd like to have a beef cut for New Years because of its traditional place on the

menu, but would rather forego roast beef itself. Then why not plan a menu of this kind?

Menu II. Danish Pot Roast Brown Gravy **Boiled Potatoes** Olives Pickles Corn in Pepper Rings Luxury Cake

The combination of seasonings will make this beef roast very interesting and pleasing. Danish Pot Roast. (Serves 6 to 8)

31/2 pounds chuck roast of beef Flour for dredging ard for bro 2 tablespoons brown sugar

½ cup vinegar Salt and pepper Dredge meat with flour and brown on all sides in hot lard. Season with

salt and pepper, sprinkle with brown sugar and add vinegar. Add 1 cup hot water. Cover tightly and cook slowly until

done. Remove pot roast onto hot platter and thicken the liquid for gravy (3 tablespoons

of flour stirred smooth in 1/2 cup water). Surround the meat with the vegetable dish suggested in the menu:

Corn in Pepper Rings. (Serves 6) 2 cups cooked whole kernel corn

1 green pepper Butter Salt and pepper

Heat the corn with butter, sa.,

and pepper. Cut green pepper into six rings and place around the meat. When ready to serve, spoon corn into Luxury Cake.

(Serves 6) 1 quart vanilla ice cream 1/2 cup chopped pecan meats 1 cup hot chocolate sauce 6 squares sponge cake

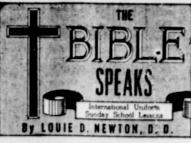
Split cake in two; place a slice of vanilla ice cream between the cake. Put another bit of ice cream on ton of cake and pour hot sauce over it. Sprinkle nutmeats just before serving the cake.

Hot Chocolate Sauce: Melt 1 square bitter chocolate in double boiler, add 1 tablespoon of butter and 11/2 cups sugar. Add 6 tablespoons hot water slowly and blend. Add 34 cup rich milk and stir well; boil 10 minutes, watching carefully. Cook to soft ball stage, remove from fire and add a pinch of salt and 1 teaspoon vanilla. Cool slightly, then beat until creamy. Keep warm in top of double boiler. Released by WNU Features.

When scalding milk in a pan, grease the bottom of the pan with butter or a mild flavored fat to prevent scorching or browning.

To prevent poached eggs from spreading, stir the water vigorously in one direction and drop the eggs in the middle of the whirl.

Save making an icing by sprinkling chocolate chips over a cake after removing from oven. Let stand in warm oven for a few minutes and then spread. Sprinkle with nuts. if desired.



SCRIPTURE: Jude 24, 25; Revelation 16 DEVOTIONAL READING: Psalm 145:1-

God's Eternal Rule

Lesson for December 28, 1947

THE last Sunday of another year brings us to a very fitting lesson, based on passages of Scripture found in Jude 24, 25, Revelation 16-22, and Matthew 2. The devotional

reading is Psalm 145:1-13. "Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, to the only

wise God our Saviour, be glory

and majesty, do

minion and power, both now and ever. Amen," Jude 24, 25.
With this benediction, let us pause at the rapidly ebbing shoreline of the departing year, asking the meaning of God's goodness and mercy as reflected in the Christmas season and through all the days of

our earthly pilgrimage. As the Wise Men brought their gifts to the Divine Babe in Bethlehem, let us today wisely ap-praise his gifts to us during the past year, and examine our hearts to see if we are duly grateful.

Rich Gifts for Jesus

R EAD again the second chapter of Matthew, particularly the section which describes how the Wise Men brought their gifts - rare and precious gifts-to the Son of God. They were rich gifts, meaning that they were costly. We dare not bring anything to Jesus that does not represent a measure of sacri-

Contemplating the days ahead, what shall be the test of our gifts to Jesus? Shall we give him left-over time? Shall we be satisfied to bring him a pittance of material gifts? Or shall our gifts, like the gifts of the Wise Men, be the first fruits of all his increase? He asks for our love, our loyalty, our glad and sincere devotion.

The Long Look

NOW we come to the heart of Sunday's lesson in Revelation 21:3: "He shall dwell with them, and they shall be his peoples." God's eternal rule will be gladly acknowledged and received if all place their hands in his hand at the gate of another year.

Nineteen forty-eight holds many question marks. People are afraid. They are confused. And here comes the message of Sunday's lesson - "He shall dwell with them, and they shall be his peoples."

The world is passing away, the lust thereof, but they that put their trust in God shall abide forever and ever. God's eternal rule has been vindicated in history. It will be vindicated again and again in the coming year wherever his people cast themselves in unwavering faith into his care and keeping.

We shall do well to read again and again the chapters in Revelation, 16-22, and see how all who walked with God were victorious, and how all who forgot him and forsook his ways, were destroyed.

Do we not see the clear application for our day and generation? The nations that forget God do

God's Eternal Rule

L ET us turn now to the verse in Psalm 145, which reads: "Thy Kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion endureth throughout all generations."

Every thoughtful person is today wistfully searching for certitude for the assurance that behind these dark clouds that lower over our frightened world the sun still shines. Better, that the sun shall break through these clouds.

Our lesson gives that very assurance. This is our Father's world. He lives! He reigns! And he waits to reveal himself to us in wisdom and power. He will not force himself upon us. We must open the door to him. He stands and knocks.

Is that not enough to bring us to our knees in the fervent prayer, "Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is done in heaven.

Beginning in the home, and spreading into every area of life, may the truth of Sunday's lesson become the watchword of America and of all lands as we enter upon the New Year. Thus panoplied, we shall be strong and prepared to meet and master every problem at hand and ahead.

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4. What was the name of the witch in the Bible who was con-

sulted by Saul? 5. The familiar cross used by the Red Cross is sometimes called

6. What is the dividing-line age of the population of this country?

The Answers

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HARMONY NEWS

Harmony school had their Christ mas program Thursday evening and turned out for the holidays immediately after the Christmas tree.

We are sorry to hear that our neighbors, Mr and Mrs. Jack Smith are moving to Ropesville soon.

Mr and Mrs. Robert Long, Betty and Bobby and Jean Blair spent Sunday in Levelland visiting Mr. and Mrs. Earl Tyler and family.

Mr and Mrs. H H Browning and

children are visiting relatives in East Texas.

Mr and Mrs. J B Poindexter, Carolyn and Janice of New Home are visiting Mr and Mrs. E O Kir-

Van McKee and family are sporting a new car.

Linda McKee and Patsy Pierce visited O'Donnell school Friday.

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Ornament Making A Cottage Industry

Those colored glass ornaments that we hang on our Christmas trees used to come from Germany, Czechoslovakia and Poland. A small number were made in Japan. When the war cut off these supplies, American glass manufacturers, who had never bothered with these products before, turned part of their facilities over to making the pretty gewgaws. Mechanical methods were soon developed that could blow as many ornaments in an hour as a European glassblower could make in a month. Thus modern efficiency may doom this picturesque little industry, carried on in the moun-

coling table. Next the mother silvers the inside, and finally to the designs, a two tables to the steep mountainsides. Families specialize in certain shapes and designs, patterns that may date back for hundreds of years unchanged. The father, using a bunsen burner, carefully blows the thin glass tubing to the desired shape, with the aid of an iron mold. His son, acting as mold boy, removes the hot ornament to a cooling table. Next the mother silvers the inside, and finally the daughter applies paint and perhaps decorative designs.

Christmas Rose Has Real Significance

Legend tells us that a young shepherd girl was weeping bitterly as she watched the Wise Men on their way to take gifts to the Christ Child.



An angel appeared, and after ascertaining why the young girl was crying, she waved her wand, and instantly the ground was carpeted with glittering white Christmas roses. The young girl quickly gathered these blooms. When she presented her gift, the Christ Child smiled, and as his fingers touched the white flowers the petals became tinged with pink.



This custom originated with th Dutch. They used their woode shoes instead of stockings.

When the Dutch come to New Amsterdam, this custom came with them—the wooden shoes being gradually replaced by stockings made for the occasion out of net-like materials. As nearly every home had a fireplace the usual place to hang the stockings was over the fireplace.

Treating Trees To Preserve Needles

Dropping needles or leaves of Christmas trees, which strip the trees of color and litter the floor, long have been a Yuletide bane. Therefore, the discovery of the New York State College of Forestry that waterglass spray will prevent the spruce leaves from falling comes as welcome news to family and housewife alike.

Desides preserving the foliage, the waterglass spray adds to the decorative effect of the spruce by leaving a slight silver sheen to the green of the needle-like leaves. The waterglass also has been found to be a good fire retardant.

be a good fire retardant.

The college found that the shedding of spruce leaves also can be retarded by placing the base of the tree in a bucket of moist earth, peat moss or water. Users have reported the success of this treat-

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According to this legend, Mary and Joseph on their way to Bethlehem passed a tree loaded with cherries. Mary was hungry for some of the fruit and asked Joseph to pluck some cherries for her. The tree graciously bowed down so that Mary could pick the fruit herself.

'It has been customary among the Czechs and Slovaks to take the branch of a cherry tree and place it in water in the late fall so that the buds reach the blossoming stage at Christmas time.

The belief was current that if the sprig blossomed by Christmas Eve, the girl who tended it would marry during the New Year.

Danger From Tree Fire Ever Present

Although the Christmas tree is one of the most picturesque Yuletide ornaments, it is also one of the most dangerous, with the threat of fire an ever present possibility.

Replacement of the candle by the electric light has removed some of the hazards formerly experienced, but danger still lurks from faulty connections or careless handling of bulbs and strings.

To minimize the fire hazard, the department of agriculture offers two pertinent suggestions: First, keep the tree well watered and, second, fireproof it with ammonium sulphate or calcium chloride.

To provide the tree with sufficient water, cut the butt on a slant at least an inch above the original cut. Keep the water level above the slashed surface. In purchasing a tree, always look for one that has been felled recently so that the needles have not dried,

Fresh trees also are essential for flame-proofing. In using ammonium sulphate, a chemical content onefourth the weight of the tree should be used. After dissolving one and a half pints of the ammonium in a pound of water, slash the stem of the tree and place it in the solution. Then, let the tree stand four to six days in the solution for complete absorption. Trees fireproofed in this manner will not be ignited by an electric spark.

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JEAN JACQUES the THIRD, 'Mary, Mary." It was a kindly voice. a Christmas Story It came from behind her, near the door.

By F. MORTON SMITH

LD JEAN JACQUES the Third lived in a brick two and a half story East India house, with a leaded glass doorway and a white posted rail about the edge of the roof. On one side of the great hall with its spiral stairway was the library. It contained hundreds and hundreds of books.

Jean Jacques the Third loved books. He ate breakfast, luncheon, dinner amid his books, and came out of his library only to sleep or to put on his double cape and search among the book shops for a new volume.

Above the onyx fireplace was a portrait of a man arrayed in a black coat, white bowed stock touching the ears, nestling about the chin, firm lips, brown eyes and gray hair curling in wisps over the forehead.

The portrait was Jean Jacques' grandfather, Jean Jacques the First, who looked down at Jean Jacques the Third, his grandson, and pressed his lips together.

Off to Read in Bed

The clock in the hall struck 11, and with the last stroke Jean Jacques the Third put a faded bit of yellow ribbon into page 31, volume 12 of Lacepede's History of Europe, blew out the candles on the mantlepiece, pushed back the half burned log with his foot, selected for trivial literature "Art Applied to Industry," switched out the electric lights and toddled off to read

As his bedroom door closed, a door across the hall opened carefully. A head popped out-a head covered with short curls. The head looked up the hall, down the hall. There was not a sound - yes, a little sound - a wee mouse moved from behind a chest of drawers, came out, sat upon a rug, and with his paws tickled his ears and smoothed his whiskers.

"Good Thing for Mousey"

On the rug was a cat. The mouse sat on her head, his tail was on her nose. A hand went over a small mouth to squelch a giggle. "It's a good thing for you, mousey," thought the head,

By HURST K. MAJORS

OU SEE HIM everywhere at this

elf" of Clement Clarke Moore's im-

holiday time, the "right jolly old

timeless and universal and in a way you

are right. As a symbol of generosity and good will he is as old as Christmas.

with the woolly whiskers today is our

own countryman, as American as apple

pie. Not only this but, by the long

measure of centuries, he is almost a

contemporary. The Santa Claus we

know, in fact, just misses being brand

him his toy pack. Russia provided his

fur-trimmed blouse, and trousers and

his high boots. Lapland donated the

sleigh drawn by reindeer. And in the

largely legendary form of St. Nicholas

he first was brought to this country by

small sons and daughters of Dutch set-

tlers in the little town of Nieuw Am-

But it was not until the 1860's, less

than 100 years ago really, that Santa

Claus emerged from history and myth

to take on form and outline and be es-

tablished as our own. Oddly enough he

was introduced to the world by a famed

Drew on Moore's Poem

elephant, Democratic donkey, Tam-

many tiger and other national symbols,

drew largely upon Moore's poem, pub-

lished 30 years before, for his delineation. He pictured the apple-cheeked

Santa with his "broad face and round

little belly" busy in his Polar workshop,

keeping an eye on children all over the

world through a magic telescope, fumbling through stacks of letters with his

chubby hands, perched on snowy

chimney-tops, skimming the sky in his

Doubtless Nast never meant his

Santa Claus to be taken seriously. But

everybody loved the chubby little be-

nevolent figure who in some way rep-

resents the childhood that lives on for-

ever in all hearts. Doubtless for many

a year to come he will continue to be

our Christmas saint . . . and a long step

Nast, who originated the Republican

cartoonist of the day, Thomas Nast.

sterdam (New York).

toy-laden sleigh.

It is true that medieval Europe gave

Nevertheless, the red-coated old boy

Old Santa Claus

"The Night Before You think of him as

"that the cat is braided into the mat, otherwise you might be in trouble.'

A small body in a green Chinese kimona passed through the door. On her feet were red slippers.

'Gee," she said, "I'm glad old Ellen left the light on." She looked over the balustrade. "Dark as a pocket down there. Do I dare-" She straddled the mahogany rail, lay flat on her stomach and slid.

When she hit the post at the lower end, she swung off onto the floor and scuttled swiftly to the library.

She Lit the Candles

The flame from the burning log half illuminated the room. She closed the door, and stood on a stool and lit the candles on the mantel shelf.

"I do wish Uncle Jean knew it was the night before Christmas. I tried to tell him this afternoon, but he never once took his nose out of the old history book and told me I was a nuisance. I do wish that I was poor like the ash man's children. They are going to have a tree and presents and hang up their stockings. Santa Claus will come to their house, because they are unfortunate, and just because I am rich and live in a big house full of books he won't

dare to come down our chimney, and if Uncle Jean saw his boots hanging in the fireplace he would take the tongs

"Santa Claus All Bosh"

"He told me Santa Claus was all bosh and that he had no time to waste on tom-foolery. So I will eat dinner with Ellen in the dining room, and Joe will stand still as a post and pass things to me-when Ellen asks him to.

The little girl's eyes were full of tears. She went to the bookcase and from behind a pile of Atlases laid sideways took out a flat book with colored pictures on the cover. Then she pulled

EVOLUTION of JOLLY

down on it. "You know," she said to herself, "I have not read a single word in this book since last year, and then I went upstairs and bawled until I went to sleep. I'm not going to cry this time, I'm going to pretend. If I'm going to make believe, I had better hang up a stocking." So off came the stocking and was hung over the brass



"Oh," said Mary, "you are alive aren't you? I thought you were a ghost.

hook that held up the fire shovel and

Began to Read Aloud

The flames played on her face warmed her ankles. She wiggled her toes in her red slippers, opened the book upon her knees and began to read

"It was the night before Christmas When all through the house Not a creature was stirring-Not even a mouse

"I knew something was wrong," she said. "I knew it! Wl.y, there was a mouse upstairs on the cat mat. Even this story can't come true in this house.

house to marry with dowries. Naturally he became the patron of all maidens, also of pawnbrokers whose three gold-

Tomb Becomes Shrine

Nicholas died in 352, A. D., and his tomb in Myra became the shrine to which thousands made yearly pilgrimages. Seven centuries later his bones were removed to Bari, an Adriatic port just above the heel of Italy, there reinterred with pomp and ceremony. An oily substance, known as Manna di

en balls still commemorate the bags of

they have in years, clerks are haggard and what's left of the white and blue and gold-enameled evergreen trees on the Wilshire lots are selling at shockingly high figures.

Santa Looks Beaten

Claus looks beaten up today. He's the stout and jolly character actor who has been riding down the Boulevard nightly during the period between Thanksgiving and Christmas, his luxurious motor-driven sleigh throwing up great fountains of artificial snow.

Salesman though he is for the mer-

The reason Santa has extra big bags under his eyes this year is the snubbing he took from the film personalities. In seasons past it has been customary for Santa to compile a list of screen stars and each night select two of them to ride with him. Driving majestically down the boulevard sitting there with old Kris has been a high honor, coveted by every actor who hopes to attract attention to himself in this busi-

But for some unpublished reason movie stars haven't shared that sleigh this year. Only those common radio people! And Santa looks and acts unhappy about it all.

At any rate, studios will officially call it quits about noon on Wednesday and then everyone from the highest star to the lowliest office boy will begin partying from one sound stage and one office to the next, all mingling and toasting one another on the common footing that only a Yule celebration

Wednesday night to help swing up the Christmas tree, attach the baubles and set the stage for the bigger and better display of gifts certain to greet the eyes

This will be the all-important item to a majority of film stars this year belywood has become a family town. And those kids, ever increasing, are also growing up to gift-appreciative age. Name almost any married actor with a marquee punch and you'll have one

"That's a Christmas book. I kee behind the Atlases. Uncle Jean n looks at them. If he found it, w would throw it in the fire, for its about trees and presents and the n before Christmas. Uncle Jean Christmas. If he ever knew it Christmas, he would lock himself

There was a

mouse, and the

story said

there could not

It was not her uncle. She jumped to

her feet. The book slipped to the floor.

And as she looked up, she saw that

the picture frame over the mantlepiece

was empty. Her great-grandfather was

"I'm Your Great-Granfather"

grandfather," he said.

he can't stir.

breeches

the gentleman.

a real stomach.

real'

were reading?

"Mary," said her great-grandfather,

I have been upstairs and shut

the mouse in the closet, so that

The electric light switch click-

ed, the chandelier blazed, and

there at the end of the room

stood a man in satin knee

'Mary, I am your great-

"Oh," said Mary, "O how did

you get out of the frame? How

did you come to life? Are you

"Touch me and see," replied

Mary held her hand out

straight before her and walked

toward him with her eyes shut,

lest she should awake. The hand

bumped into something soft-

it was his stomach. It gave like

Thought He Was a Ghost

"O," said Mary, "you are alive, aren't you? I thought

you were a ghost. I have read

about them, and you can put

your arm through a ghost any-

"I am very much alive," said

where, even his head.'

her great-grandfather, "very much

alive. Mary, what was the book you

not there.

here and not come out at all." The man sat down in a chair, know,' he said, "it is funny to ! at the room where you always from the chair you used to sit in.

Sat in Same Chair

"Did you sit in this chair, grafather?" asked Mary.

"Yes, every night before Christ--a long, long time ago, and a li girl named Mary used to sit on my and I read to her a Christmas story fore she went to bed.

"Where is Mary?" asked the li

"O, she grew up and had little of her own," continued her great-gr father. "She got too big to sit on lap. Why don't you climb up and me read to you the story you were n ing to yourself?"

Not One Bit Afraid

"Okay," said Mary, and hopped in his lap. "You know," she went "I'm not one tiny bit afraid of you. aren't a ghost, and fairies are alw girls, so I guess you're only a grand ther, after all. Begin," she said—" gin here," pointing with her fine where I left off.

"The tree stood in the corner of room. On it were hundreds of li pieces of cotton batting that looked like snowflakes. The tip of branch dripped clear water that he formed an icicle of glass, so that could not melt inside the house. F toons of fuzzy silver rope ran from h to limb, round and round in shin whirls and bright balls, oddly shar

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BIG CHRISTMAS for and lighted Hollywood Kids

By HAROLD HEFFERNAN

Hollywood, Calif. UST LIKE you and you and all the rest of the populace, Hollywood is bogged down today by frantic lastgasp preparations for the observance of Christmas.

Only a few shopping days and giftexchanging days to go and things have hit a feverish pitch unparalleled in any holiday rush since long before prewar times. Production schedules stagger as actors slip outside doors and run off the lot to purchase a forgotten gift.

Store counters look skimpier than

Even Hollywood's own official Santa

chants who combine to sponsor him each season, this particular Santa has become symbolic of the manner in which the movie folks celebrate the Yule season. They do it with a flair.

Parties Galore

They'll all try to get home in time of Junior in the morning.

cause, in case you haven't noticed, Hol-

with some kids to bestow his or l affection and gifts upon.

And have no fears about these luc little folks not doing all right in ! roundup of Christmas loot. No pare anywhere are more apt to go overboa for the kids than the moms and po of this town. All the new gadgets, fro motor-driven two-wheelers to elect trains that do everything but carry t mail, have been gathered from the m exclusive shops in New York, Los A geles and Beverly Hills, to be hear under the tree come Wednesday.

Sharp Contrast

Sharply contrasting is this Christm with that of say 10 years ago. In 1 the glamor boys and girls hadn't



Dorothy Lamour and her 3-year-old s Ridge Howard.

come accustomed to mixing care with marriage—and as for babies, we they just had no place in the over picture. Those that did arrive w kept in the background for fear t parental box office rating would ta a nose dive.

Today the married stars advert their kids, ask the publicity boys come out and shoot stills of them publication, even drag them into the own productions, if only for brigglimpses. Alice Faye, for instance, but the second of the built almost an entire half-hour rad show around the inquisitiveness of h

young daughters. Here, after a quick survey, are few of the headline homes that w

have children romping merrily arou
the tree this Christmas morning:
Dana Andrews, three; Hedy Lama
two (another expected); Bob Hop
four; Dick Haymes, two; Gene Tierne
one; Lana Turner, one; Dorothy L
mour, one; Don Ameche, four; Rona mour, one; Don Ameche, four; Rona Reagan, one; John Payne, two; Larai Day, three; Betty Hutton, one; Ing Bergman, one; Mickey Rooney, one (expecting another); and Errol Flyn

The baby market is, in fact, thrivito such an extent in celluloid glitt homes that one or two impending but dles of joy could arrive, on doctor schedule. schedule, to give added zest to Great Day.

from the Santa Claus who truly lived. The Bishop of Myra

Half lost in legend is the story of the kind-hearted Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, who lived in Asia Minor in the fourth century. Tradition says that Christians of the town, gathered at their church

one evening to elect a new bishop, were warned by an old patriarch to be cautious. "It is God's will that he who first enters this church tomorrow shall be our new leader," the elder told

Accordingly they barred the doors, and unbarred them in the morning to Saint Nicola, highly prized for mediciadmit a stranger. A personable youth, he was acclaimed a bishop and began a



hay gone in the morning, the bowls fill-

bearing visits to good little children.

ed with sweets. The revered prelate restored life to three small boys slain by an inkeeper and so became the patron of children. Cruisiag the Mediterranean, he quieted a storm which threatened to swamp the craft and at once was adopted as the patron of mariners. Silently and in the depth of night, when he still bestows most of his gifts, he dropped three bags of gold through a poor man's window, thus enabling the daughters of the

nal purposes, is said to flow from the

The birthday eve of St. Nicholas, long since canonized, still is celebrated in many European countries, but the churchman long ago became obscured by legend while only his tradition went on. According to some historians, the Christmas saint was introduced into Germany by a Greek princess who married the German Emperor Otto II of

the Holy Roman Empire in 972 A. D. (Continued on Page 5, column 2)

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Chrismastime again - Christ's hday—the most important event the Christian calendar, a day istmas trees and tinsel, gleaming and gay packages. It's the de-of the young and the joy of the

ou took Christmas apart, as an ent child rips open a colorful package, you would find ine Christmas spirit as bright and m as the sunlight, as glorious as oon and the stars. And if the of Christmas isn't there it isn't mas-no matter how bright the mas tree, or how many and costgifts thereon.

istmas is inside of you. It's a warming glow that comes of the ledge that on this greatest of days are done your part to bring hapto loved ones and to your fellow For the joy of Christmas isn't ing to be hugged selfishly to the hearth. It's infinite-something shared and flung far and wide and sea.

feguard Your Home Against Holiday Fires

joy and gayety of every holiday is marred by disastrous fires. ently the Christmas tree is the of a blaze. Short circuits from ight cords, careless smokers. open gas jets, electric or open s, all are fire hazards.

least arry parent can do is to obtree as freshly cut as possible. toliage of this tree will still be and if it is placed in water and there during the Christmas seae leafage will remain green and therefore less inflammable.

vever, all trees can be made fireby impregnating the cellular ure of the needles (or leaves) and main trunk with a solution lphate of ammonia or calcium

Prayer Timely for Christmas Season

Francis of Assisi, wrote a prayer than 700 years ago that seems fitting for the 1947 Christmas

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ord, make me an instrument of peace. Where there is hatred, let love. Where there is doubt, Where there is despair, hope. there is darkness, light. And there is sadness, joy.

not so much seek to be consoled as to fessor and former Undersecretary of console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved, as to love; for it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal

* * * Insects Threaten Brazilian Coffee Trees

From Rio de Janeiro come word that about 25 million coffee trees are threatened with destruction by an insect plague in the State of Sao Paulo, Brazil. No efficient weapon has been found to fight the plague which covers more than 70,000 square kilometers of the finest coffee land. Losses are ranging from 30 to 50 per cent of the total crop. The loss in quantity is aggravated by loss in quality. In the Feio River Valley, which comprises one of the world's richest coffee plantations, losses caused by the plague have been estimated at five million dollars.

Ex-GI's Equity in Real Estate

War veterans, without down payments, have acquired a 272-milliondollar equity in residential real estate in the three years since the first home loan under the GI Bill of Rights was granted, according to the United States Savings and Loan League of Chicago.

Repayments on veterans' home loans now total 272 million dollars, the league estimated. The sum includes monthly reductions on the debt incurred in the purchase of homes, and \$80,-042,822 represents debts completely wiped out during the first two years and 10 months of the program, according to Veterans' Administration figures, the league added.

Passing Up Soviet Parties

Only a few years ago as many as 2,000 of the top celebrites of Washington trampled over each other annually in their rush to attend the Soviet Embassy's lavish parties observing the anniversary of the Communist revolution. This year's Embassy party was almost a wash-out. Very few ranking military men and not a single White House official or member of Congress bothered to show up. Less than 500 were on hand for the affair.

Tax Study Committee Reports

A tip-off on what Republican taxrevision plans for 1948 might involve was provided recently by a Special Tax Study Committee, headed by Roswell Divine Master, grant that I may Magill, Columbia University law pro-

the Treasury. .The Magill report to the House Ways and Means Committee proposed a "reduction in individual income-tax rates for all, with due regard for the cost of living of those in the lower income groups and for the needs

The 46 specific proposals of the Magill report include: (1) extension to all States of the income-splitting privilege which is now enjoyed by husbands and wives in the 13 community-property States and which enables them to lower their surtaxes; (2) reduction by 19

remains at the almost-forgotten low point of 12,000-to-one.

Financiers in Shanghai said that unless the runaway inflation slows soon to a walk, any future program of American aid would find it a great deal harder to stop.

New Things in This Old World There's little truth to the old saying.

"There's nothing new under the sun. For example:

A new device converts the back seat of the family automobile into a combination play-pen and baby bed. A



"Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright . . .

per cent of so-called "double taxation," under which individuals pay income taxes on dividends from corporations whose profits already have been taxed.

Chinese Dollar Drops 145,000-to-1 of U. S. Dollar

The Chinese dollar has dropped to a new low of 145,000 to one U.S. dollar, according to word from Shanghai.

The Chinese government foreign exchange equalization committee, striving to keep within shouting distance of the black market, upped its open market quotation from 64,500-to-one to 73,-000-to-one. The government's official exchange rate, virtually ignored now,

strong wall of fabric on a supporting arm stretches from one side of the car to the other. Fitted to the seat, it makes a well-padded and safe enclos-

A broom, with steam-treated bristles that don't wilt in heat or dampness, is on the market.

A French chemist, working for the United States Army, has developed a solid gasoline. This fluid in the form of chunks will be easier to handle and

less dangerous. For the busy motorist who forgets to fill his battery with water, a new invention called the Aqualator will be useful. This device fits under the hood and automatically fills the cells of the battery. The gadget needs replenish-

ing with water only twice a year. Varieties of bananas and other exotic fruits soon will be brought to U.S. markets by air. Most of us know only the vellow banana, but there are other edible kinds too perishable to ship by boats.

Eisenhower Urges Keeping Air Power

General Dwight D. Eisenhower told the Aviation Policy Board that a "reasonably balanced" air force is one of the strongest assurances that the United States would be respected by the rest of the world.

This air strength, he added, was essential to maintenance of our support of the peaceful aims of the United Nations, as well as a reassuring factor for

our weaker friends among the nations. He said that he foresaw no immediate threat of war-"not in the next few years" - but that military strength must become more vital as scientific development displaced the weapons used in World War II with newer and more formidable ones.

'No nation in the world today is in a position to undertake a war of global proportions," he declared.

U. S. Foreign Food Shipments

During the last year the United States sent food to other nations at the rate of 8.6 per cent of its total production, or the equivalent of 271 pounds for every man, woman and child under the American flag. Thus estimates Senator Harry F. Byrd (D. Va.).

The figures are based on reports of federal departments and agencies. They may loom large in congressional debate on President Truman's emergency and long-range plans to aid Europe

The great proportion of foodstuffsfrom wheat to nuts - was shipped to feed civilians living in areas of Germany, Italy, and the territory occupied by United States troops. The total came to 3,481,000 long tons.

Other nations which shared in the American larder were: Great Britain, 1,003,000 long tons; Latin-American republics, 2,322,000 long tons, and France, 771,000 long tons.

The Friendship and Freedom Trains

A spokesman for the National Friendship Food Train committee said approximately 12,000 tons of food collected during the train's transcontinental journey would be sent to Europe in four ships next month.

Senator Arthur Vandenberg, intro-

ducing the European aid bill in the Sen-

ate, told his colleagues:

The Freedom Train reminds all people that their heritage stems from liberty under law; that their richest blessing is a Constitution and a Bill of Rights which protects the spiritual dignity of man and the independence of the citizen; and that there are no values in life which could compensate us for the loss of these divine privileges.

"The Friendship Train exemplifies the devotion of our people to the humanities which make most of the world kin; demonstrates our instinct, our tradition and our impulse to feed the hungry and to feed the sick.

First Regular Television Program Launched

An important date in the television industry was marked in recent weeks when the first regularly scheduled sponsored television program was Stars of the show are Jinx broadcast. Falkenburg, the former artist's model, and Tex McCrary, one-time New York newspaperman. The program goes out over a fledging NBC network in the New York area

Another milestone in the march of television was passed when the Hotel Roosevelt, in New York, announced that it was installing television sets with a 10-inch screen in 40 of its 1,100 rooms.' Guests occupying the rooms where it is available will get the service on request for an extra \$3 a day.

Safer Nation Goal in Drive

A never-ending drive to promote safety is being planned for the United States. It will seek to reduce the toll of accidents which each year kill 99,000 men, women, and children, seriously injure 10,400,000 more, and cost the country at least \$6,400,000,000 in dam-

The National Safety Council is promoting the campaign. It will be the 'Green Cross for Safety

The aim, says William A. Irvin, chairman of the board of trustees of the council, is to promote the practice of safety more widely in general daily life. The drive will be especially against home, school and farm acci-

'The need for such a campaign is evident," says Mr. Irvin. "More than half of the annual toll of deaths, injuries, and property damage results from accidents which are outside the area at present covered by the organized safety work.

The lowest number of American deaths from accidents in the last 20 years was 89,000, in 1932. The greatest was 110,052, in 1937.

Accidents are as great killers as diseases. In fact, the only diseases which cause more deaths are heart disease, cancer, and cerebral hemorrhage, the records show

Christmas Sales Expected to Hit New Peak

The old-fashioned Christmas will be back this year for the first time since the war. But it will be the costliest in history. After years of shortages, Yuletide shoppers this season will find stores stocked with the greatest variety of goods since pre-war days. Radios, home appliances, fancy household linens, and similar items once more can be written on shopping lists.

Most prices are up. But since more goods are available, more also can be found in the lower price brackets. Quality of the merchandise, too, is better than a year ago.

Americans are expected to run up the biggest gift bill of all time but merchants across the country declare that most of it will not represent foolish spending. The accent is expected to be on practical gifts, and in most cases shoppers are expected to do a good bit of looking around before they buy.

The National Retail Dry Goods Association expects apparel and home furnishings to top the season's buying, with toys and personal gift departments making a good showing at the same

Production to Halt Price Rise

To prevent further rises in the price level, it is essential to close the gap between the money supply and the production of goods by stepping up production and preventing any further expansion in the money supply, the Na-tional Association of Manufacturers declared recently. The NAM announced that it is preparing a price investigation report for publication, which is designed to help distinguish between descriptions of how prices have risen and why.

Declaring that the "phenomenal" increase in the money supply in this country is a major factor in the current high-price structure, the NAM pointed out that the money supply has more than trebled since 1939, while physical production has increased only 70 per cent. This unprecedented gap between money and production exerts so strong an upward pressure on prices, the association continued, that it is surprising that prices are not even higher than

rass Root Reveries

By JOE GANDY he "Christmas Spirit" that makes nas. Without it Christmas is another day. Jesus gave to the the Christmas spirit. Before His g the world was harsh and cruel ting "an eye for an eye and a for a tooth." Christ condemned arshness and taught a doctrine of rly love. By word and deed he among the people, healing the afand comforting the poor and

In His Sermon on the Mount He Love your enemies, do good to that hate you pray for them espitefully use and persecute This quotation up the Christspirit and also Christian spirit. nobler thing on mas day than good to them hate you and for them that tefully use you persecute you.

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doing you will greater "It's a Christmas present for my grandwill conany evil that son, one of them little red wagons." bein you and lick the stuffings out e devil who is always just around corner sowing seeds of hate, envy

we must lick the devil if we exhave a happy Christmas, for the hates the Christmas spirit. He everything that makes people kind and generous. You carry ball for the devil when you shut self in on Christmas day and speak ord of cheer or bestow no gift on fellow man.

on Creek folks, near my home, alhave the Christmas spirit and making great preparations to celethe glorious day. I have invitato eat Christmas dinner with sevfriends. One friend said: "Joe, nt gonna have a turkey dinner at ed ribs and sweet 'taters you ever se, but we gonna have the best This friend knows his roastDuroc Jersey hogs in our community.

Hurrah for Coon Creek and its bighearted people. You can't live there and not get the Christmas spirit. As a matter of fact, the spirit lives there all the year round, but on Christmas day it breaks out like a rash and everybody catches the infection, including the grandpas and the grandmas. Just a few days ago I met Uncle Jim Higgins, 72 years old, and he took me aside and whispered: "Joe, don't tell any-

body, but I got a Christmas present for my grandson and it's one of them little red wagons just like the kivered wagon that me and my wife rode in when we arrived here, flat broke, 50 years ago." Then he laughed. slapped me on the back and walked on down the street whistling, "Jingle Bells."

> While looking through an old scrap book recently I came

across this Christmas prayer: "Dear Jesus. I thank Thee that there still is sunshine; that I still may glimpse the blue sky, and, while stumbling onward, continue to look up and up. I thank Thee for friends with the kindly smile and cheerful word, and with their help I can conquer obstacles and petty cares. Dear Jesus, I am grateful for blessings great and small, for a steadfast belief in an ever-guiding destiny which at the end leads to eternal life and glory in Thy Heavenly

Kingdom." Government figures that combined corporations of the nation made a profit of \$56,500,000,000 the first six months of 1947 are being widely quoted by labor leaders. But what neither government nor labor leaders mention is that \$34,000,000,000 of that amount was taken by government in taxes. Some of the biggest corporations made a profit of only 3 per cent

ed ribs, for he raises some of the finest on their investment. That is not a big return from which to pay dividends and plow back earnings into the business. People should know the whole truth about taxes. I haven't figured out what my profits will be in 1947. If I earn no more than 3 per cent on my investment I will have just about enough to buy peanuts.

> An editorial in Grit Magazine says let's quit talking about another war. quit thinking about it, and apply ourselves to the task of making the United States the most progressive and prosperous Nation in the world. That's a good thought, especially at Christmastime. Russia, according to top military men, is not prepared for war and will not be prepared for some years to come. Meantime, let's keep our powder dry and be on the alert in case Russia gets tougher and tries to put over a fast one.

> Government surveys show that farmers work an average of 65 hours a week. Inflation would end if everybody works ed an average of 65 hours a week: It's simple arithmetic that when we work less we produce less and therefore pay more for what we produce. God's original plan was for man to work six days a week and rest the seventh day. But man thinks he is smarter than God, so he works five days a week and rests the sixth and seventh days.

I hope for a deep freeze in December -a hog-killing freeze. I have three fat porkers ready to be killed and made into spare-ribs, backbone, home-made sausage and hams. Christmas week is a delusion and a snare without spareribs or sausage sizzling in the pan. What finer breakfast than fluffy biscuits, home-cured ham, poached eggs. peach preserves and a cup or two of fragant coffee. I feel sorry for city folks who eat a breakfast of toast, jelly and coffee. No wonder the divorce rate is higher in cities than in rural communities. Getting up from the breakfast table hungry has been the cause of many divorces. Always start the day with a good breakfast and you will have vim, vigor and vitality.

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TEXAS BRIEF NEWS --- from Over the Stat

INTERNAL REVENUE COLLEC-TIONS

The University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reported that the total Federal internal revenue collections for the State from July 1 through September 30, 1947, reached \$241,309,-020 to exceed the 1946 intake for the same period by five per cent.

LEADS FIGHT ON COMMUNISM

John Ben Shepperd, of Gladewater. national president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, told delegates to the recent State Jaycee convention in San Antonio that "good old American salesmanship is needed to fight Commun-He said: "It's time to let the eagle scream." He advocated a fifth freedom-freedom of opportunity in

\$15,000,000 RICE CROP

Rice farmers of the Texas Upper Gulf Coast black belt from Trinity to Sabine rivers are cleaning up the loose ends of a rice harvest that breaks all records, a crop that will bring growers more than \$15,000,000. Good per-acre yield, harvest weather "unsurpassed in 32 years," and high prices account for the big figures, along with a greater acreage planted.

SENATOR TAFT PLANS VISIT TO TEXAS

Senator Robert A. Taft, of Ohio, is planning a presidential campaign visit to Texas during the Easter recess of Congress. The special session of Congress, which opened in November, caused Taft to cancel plans for speeches in Dallas and other Texas cities last month. Tentative plans for his Easter visit to this State were made in a recent conference with Col. R. B. Creager, of Brownsville, Republican national committeeman from Texas.

PAYS HIGH PRICE FOR "TIN LIZZIE"

R. L. Thacker, of San Augustine, a farmer, visited Houston recently with one purpose in mind—to find a Model T Ford. As a result, the used car market in Houston went into high gear when Thacker paid \$995 in cash for a 1927 "tin lizzie." He said he had been looking for one for three years, "ever since my last one wore out." His last one was a 1910 model. He explained he had never driven anything in his life but a Model T.

500,000 POPPIES MADE BY VETS AT LEGION HOSPITAL

Five hundred thousand little red poppies, half of which will be sold by American Legion posts and auxiliaries next Memorial Day, have been made this year by disabled veterans in the Veterans Administration Hospital at Legion, Texas. The other half were sold last Armistice Day in various cities

FAMILY OF FOUR GENERATIONS, ALL LIVING

Four generations without a deaththat's the record of the J. B. Dunn family of 47 members, residents of Wichita and Clay counties. J. B. Dunn, age 81, came to north Clay county in 1887. Five years later he returned to North Carolina to bring back a wife, and from that marriage was born a family of 7 children, 7 children-in-law, 14 grandchildren, 7 grandchildren-inlaw, and 10 great-grandchildren. There are three sets of fourth generations in the family, too, but so far not a child, grandchild, great-grandchild or an inlaw has died. Dunn is a well-known cattleman and rancher in the Wichita

TO MAKE "FLOUR" FROM PECAN SHELLS

The Lufkin Pecan Shelling Co. the only manufacturer of pecan shell "flour" in the Nation, will begin commercial operation early in 1948. The start of operations at the Lufkin plant will represent five years of research and an investment of about \$250,000. The "flour," finely ground pecan shells, is marketable for use as a filler in plastic molding powders, insecticide powders, and as an extender in synthetic resin adhesives and glues, and also has proved successful for air-blasting of aircraft engines. The only other plant utilizing waste nut shell is in Cali-

fornia where walnut shell is used.

WEST POINT OPENINGS FOR TEXAS NATIONAL GUARD

Appointments to the United States Military Academy at West Point, N. Y., open to Texas National Guard enlisted men, have been increased from five to Gov. Beauford H. Jester said he was advised by the War Department that the appointments were open to enlisted men who could pass preliminary examinations similar to the entrance examination at West Point. Nominations should be filed with Maj. Gen. K. L. Berry, Texas adjutant general.

WINS FIRE SLOGAN

Sarah F. Wylie, of Cedar Hill, Dallas county, is \$15 richer for suggesting the fireprevention slogan picked as best in a Statewide school children's contest. The slogan: 'Old Man Flame, Is He to Blame?'

HUNGRY FOR 'POSSUM DINNER

Thomas A. Lothlen, of Los Angeles, Calif., a former Texan, wants an old-fashioned possum dinner, and it seems he is going to get it. He wrote J. D. Walton, master of the Dallas public market, "I am hungry for a good old 'possum baked dinner. I can't find one in California. So the idea came to me to write the Dallas market master, and ask him to ship me one." Walton talked to W. B. Milam, an East Texas farmer, who brings his produce to the Dallas public market, and Milam has promised to fill Lothlens order. The 'possum will be shipped at once. "Nothin' to it," Farmer Milam told Walton, "I can send him a passel of 'possums. There's plenty where I come from.

MULE FROM ELLIS COUN-TY WINS CHAMPIONSHIP

An Ellis county mule has scored again in national championship competition. One of the two geldings entered by the Ferris, Texas, Brick Co. in the 49th annual American Royal Livestock Show at Kansas City, Mo., drew down the blue ribbon as champion geld-

ing. Ferris mules have have won numerous awards at shows throughout the

OLDEST CONFEDERATE ON STATE ROLLS

An Irish immigrant boy who joined the Confederate Army the day after he landed in this country at New Orleans in July, 1861, is the oldest Confederate soldier on the Texas pension rolls. He is Jeremiah P. O'Brien, of Kirbyville, 103 years old, who fought for the South right up to the surrender of Gen. Lee's Army in the peach orchard at Appo-

VALLEY'S CITRUS CROP GREATER THAN LAST YEAR

The Rio Grande Valley of Texas will produce a million boxes more grapefruit and 600,000 boxes more oranges this season than last, according to the latest citrus crop forecast by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The Vallev's grapefruit production was estimated at 25 million boxes, the orange crop at 5,600,000 boxes. The Valley estimates were prepared by John Mackey, USDA statistician at Austin.

RADIO'S FORMER DR. I. Q. FINDS CHURCH BUILDING

When Rev. James McClain, formerly the Dr. I. Q. of radio fame, forsook the job as master of ceremonies of the popular quiz program in favor of a career in the ministry and chose Eastland as a starting point, he didn't have a church in which to hold his services. But he told his problem to a national radio audience and, as a result, was invited to inspect war surplus chapels at Camp Bowie, Texas, which had been turned over to the War Assets Administration. One of the chapels was moved to Eastland to become the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church.

HEARS FOR FIRST TIME SINCE SHE WAS A BABY

Miss Myrna Timberlake of Dalhart, Texas, is becoming acquainted with a whole new world. She heard her first sound in Dallas recently since losing her hearing as a result of influenza when a baby. She told friends that the sound of her own laughter frightened her as soon as she had completed treatment and found she could hear with the use of an aid. Major problems facing her now are learning to talk and to distinguish meaning of sounds.



Incident at Bethlehem By Edgar A. Guest

There was no room at Bethlehem Within the sheltering Inn for them; No room among the roistering crowd Of all the comfortable proud. No thought of what their coming meant, So to the stable they were sent.

Oh, there was straw for Mary's bed, A strange star shining overhead, But only shepherds, wondering, Had heard the angel voices sing, And dared to go, as they were told, A new-born infant to behold.

Now, round the world in all the lands, In memory still that stable stands. The manger, where that infant slept, Sacred in countless hearts is kept. Still shines above that glorious star, While all the great forgotten are.

SECOND OFFENDERS MAKE UP THIRD OF REFORMATORY POPULATION

Second offenders constitute a third of the inmate population at the Gainesville Reformatory for Boys, according to State Auditor C. H. Cavness. Of the 512 inmates present when Cavness made his check-up, 340 were first offenders and 172 second offenders. By ages, 78 were between ten and twelve; 318 were thirteen to fifteen, and 118 between sixteen and eighteen. Burglary was the most common offense, accounting for 220 of the total.

GAINESVILLE COMMUNITY CIR-CUS REPRODUCED IN TEXTBOOK

The story of the Gainesville Community Circus is told as one of the lessons in "English for Every Use," textbook written by William M. Turner, head of the English department of Lexington, Mass., high schools. The book has just been published by Ginn & Co., Boston. Three pages are devoted to the story, Biggest Home Town Show on Earth,' reproducing the article from Coronet Magazine. The story is illustrated with pictures of Gainesville high school girls on a tableau wagon drawn by a four-pony team.

HALF OF CAPT. LUCEY'S ESTATE GIVEN HOSPITALS AND SALVATION ARMY

The substantial part of the vast oil estate of the late Capt. J. F. Lucey, of Dallas, will go to three Dallas hospitals and to the Salvation Army, filing of the oilman's will for probate revealed. The Lucey estate was listed as "in excess of \$2.500,000." The will sets up trusts totaling \$1,750,000 for six heirs. After this and all Federal and State inheritance taxes are paid, the remainder of the estate was left to Baylor. Methodist and St. Paul's hospitals, and to the Texas branch of the Salvation Army.

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By SWAN

SAYS SCHOOLS ARE KEY TO U. S. **FUTURE**

America's future depends upon the efficiency of education, and Texas teachers colleges are molding the pattern for the public schools, Gov. Beauford H. Jester said in an address at East Texas State Teachers College in Com-Gov. Jester was the principal speaker at the inauguration of Dr. James Gee as president of East Texas State. "We do with our future what today we do with our schools," the Governor declared.

A DISILLUSIONED TEXAS PLUMBER

Gold is where you find it, even in the humdrum life of a plumber. Take the case of Pancho Trevino, plumber of the Webb county jail at Laredo. Working on a stoppedup pipe, Trevino dug out a watch and chain, rings and \$875 in cash. Elated over his good fortune. Trevino mentioned it to one of the deputies at the jail. The deputy found that the cache was part of the loot of a 12-year-old boy held on numerous burglary charges.

MEXICO BACKS TEXAS IN CATTLE DISEASE FIGHT

The Union Ganadera Regional de Coahuila, a Mexican cattle raisers' association, has voiced its support of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Rais-Association program against foot and mouth dis-The Texas group's ease. board of directors has received the following telegram. from Arturo Santos, president of the Coahuila organization: We will co-operate with your association in any way possible to help in the program to combat foot and mouth dis-

TEXAS BUILDING RECORD HIGH

ease in Mexico."

The Texas Contractor, trade magazine published in Austin, reports that Texas construction awards from January through November, 1947, total-\$585,403,830, more than \$170,-

000,000 ahead of the record for the same period last year. November construction, led by heavy demands for more housing, added \$62,647,927, double the amount for November, 1946. Veterans of World War II lead all groups in demands for residential buildings.

"PAPA" CONTINUES IN PUL "Papa" is still preaching, althhe warned his daughter he would to quit the pulpit if she wrote that the pulpit is she wrote the pulpit is she wrote that the pulpit is she wrote that the pulpit is she wrote the pulpit is she wrote the pulpit is she wrote that the pulpit is she wrote the copies have been sold. The auth Alyne Porter, of Dallas, and "Pap

the Rev. R. E. Porter, pastor of the Methodist Church, of Bogata, Te FIRST BRITISH COTTON ORD Reports that Great Britain would begin buying cotton in quantities again have buoyed ton's cotton trade. The first order be for approximately 50,000 bales other orders to follow, cotton men Great Britain has not been act the cotton market for six or months. Other European cou are expected to make big cotton

HIGHLIGHTS OF PAT STOC SHOW PROGRAM

chases in Texas soon.

Six new livestock buildings, or about \$1,200,000, are being rushed completion for the opening of these Southwestern Exposition and FatS Show, January 30 through Februar at Will Rogers Memorial Colise Fort Worth. The new dates were for greater exhibitor conveni Verne Elliott's championship rode the Broadway laugh riot, "Hellz pin'," starring Olsen and Johnson person, are high-lights on the sh 1948 program.

ARTIFICIAL BREEDING A SUCCESS

A sturdy-legged, healthy J heifer calf is the successful culming of Kerr county's first venture in ficial breeding. The project was ried out by the Hill Country Artif Breeding Association and the calf raised on the farm of L. A. Ballard Center Point. The animal prove be such an excellent specimen the is causing considerable interest an livestock raisers all over Texas.

CANYON GETS INDIAN RELIC

When the second unit of the P handle-Plains Historical Museum Canyon is completed—a campaign funds for that purpose is under wa it will house one of the largest of tions of Indian relics in the Plains gion of the Southwest. Outstand among the collections donated to museum is that which formerly bel ed to Miss Susan J. Allen, of Phila phia. As a memorial to her pare Miss Allen gave this valuable group relics which she gathered during ma years of collecting artifacts of Am can Indian culture

PPROACH of the Christmas season brings memories to thousands of Texans of the stirring battles of the past for the State high school football championship, always decided about the time Kris Kringle pays his annual visit.

Texas boasts what is generally conceded to be the greatest schoolboy athletic organization in the Nationthe vast Interscholastic League, operated by the University of Texas.

A true champion is determined each year during the football season, between mid-September and the last week or ten days of December, although several hundred teams participate. This is possible because of the perfected set-up of the League.

STARTED WITH BATTLE IN MUD BACK IN 1920

The first game of the championship series was played at Austin, in 1920, on a field knee-deep in mud and ended in a scoreless tie between Houston Heights High of Houston, and Cleburne High.

The powerful Chris Cortemeglia, later a star for Southern Methodist University, led the strong Bryan, Tex., High eleven to a 36 to 13 victory over Oak Cliff High of Dallas, at Dallas in

Waco, sparked by the magnificent Boody Johnson, beat Abilene, 13 to 10, in Fort Worth in 1922, and Abilene returned the compliment by shading Waco, 3 to 0, in Dallas in 1923.

"COLDEST GAME" PLAYED . IN DALLAS IN 1924

The "coldest' of all the titular clashes likely was that between Waco and Oak Cliff in old Fair Park Stadium in Dallas in 192. The thermometer stood at about 15 above zero and the field was frozen, solid. Spectators built small bonfires along the sidelines, huddling over the flames throughout the long afternoon in a vain attempt to keep warm. Oak Cliff's Leopards prov-

and romped over Waco's Tigers, 31 to 0. Another of the memorable games of the long string of Texas schoolboy championship conflicts was that played in 1930 in T.C.U. Stadium in Fort Worth. Amarillo's Golden Sandstorm

ed better suited to Arctic conditions

was a heavy favorite to defeat an

weighed Tyler High team. Amarillo lived up to advance not in the first half, sweeping to a 13 to lead. But Tyler, starring Harry J son, who became a topnotcher at Sou ern Methodist, staged a brilliant co back to emerge victorious by a co of 25 to 13.

OTHER FINE GAMES, BUT THOSE ARE STAND-OUTS

Down through the years there h been other great games, and no dot the 1947 monarch will be crowned of after a vicious struggle, but the tests reviewed in the foregoing pa graphs are those that will live lo in the memory of Texas fans.

Other epochal battles, review them in brief, were these: The so less tie between little Masonic Ho of Fort Worth, and Corsicana with Corsicana being awarded the under the 20-yard-line penetration rule; Longview High's rout of Cor Christi, with the scintillating Mi brothers rising to heavenly heights achieve the triumph, and Port Arth upset of Highland Park (Dallas).

In summing up the series it should pointed out that Waco and Aman have won the most championships, each. Waco took the honors in 19 '25, '26 and '37, and Amarillo ascent the throne in 1934, '35, '36 and '40.

BOODY JOHNSON USUALLY RATED FINEST PLAYER

Who was the greatest of all the placers in these titular feuds? Most fa agree that the honor should go Boody Johnson, the all-around Wa

But, they hasten to add, it must master. remembered that two immortals Texas high school football perform in the days before the Interscholas League was organized. These Hall Fame athletes were Alvin Nugent B McMillin of Fort Worth's North Si High, and Benny Lee Boynton of Wa both of whom played about the th

World War I started. McMillin now is head coach of l University of Indiana, and Boynt a prominent insurance man in Dallas.

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COFFEE CARAMELS nan in Dallas cup ground coffee cup boiling water

Santa Claus

(Continued from Page 2) His popularity zoomed, traveled down the Rhine, spread to Belgium and The Netherlands.

In Austria, France, Germany and the low countries also, he gradually was made the patron saint of children, finally emerging as the special bearer of gifts to deserving boys and girls.

Procession of "Imps" In some of these countries his memory was honored by appointment each December 6 of Wearing the boy bishops." clothing of his high office and flanked by two "angels" who carried baskets of sweets and gifts, the "boy bishop" each

year led a procession of chiland charcoal-smeared 'imps" to the door of the local church. While the "imps" waited outside to pounce on intruding adults, the other children entered the church. Questioned by

ing the year, each was reward-

ed with gifts or candy by the angels according to his merits. After the ceremony, the "imps' ica started in 1720 with rushed into the church to join rival in Boston of a revels which often continued half through the night. The custom, however, was abolished in 1450.

"bishop" on behavior dur-

How Names Originated

Gradually the name of the Christmas saint began to take on the character of the country which commemorated him. Religious Germany associated him with the Christ Child-the Krist Kindlein-and called him Kriss Kringle. In England, where his popularity began to rise at about the beginning of Victoria's reign, was and still is Father Christmas.

In Holland he always has been Sant Nikolaas, and so was called by the Dutch children brought across the ocean to settle a new land. When the English took over New Amsterdam in 1664, the best their tongue-twisting could do with the name was Santa Claus.

So we have our saint child in Russian garb driving a Scandinavian vehicle and brought here by the Dutch. But a saint who like many another product of our national melting pot, has become triumphantly all-Ameri-

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Rom. 6:23.



See For Yourself

beauty of this evergreen Valley is a. A five day tour from Fort Worth \$25.00 with all expenses paid. Inves

You may go in your own car by getting our letter of introduction and spend three days at a beautiful Club House in the Valley as our guest without charge. See the Valley thoroughly and without obli-

RIO GRANDE VALLEY TOURS

Did As He Was Told The florist's new assistant picked up the phone and listened attentively as he heard the order.

"The ribbon must be extra wide." the man was saying, "with the 'Rest in Peace' on both sides, and if there is room, 'We Shall Meet in Heaven'."

There was a sensation when the flowers arrived at the funeral. True, the ribbon was extra wide, but the inscription it bore read: "Rest in peace on both sides, and if there is room, we shall meet in heaven.'

Must Be Lonesome

My son, Billy, had just returned from Sunday School, where he had been told that liars do not go to heaven.

"Does father ever lie, mother?" he

"I imagine so," I replied.

Well, do you, an' Uncle Bill, an' Aunt Betty ever lie?" "I guess we all do occasionally." I

Then after a slight pause, "Gosh, it must be awful lonesome in heaven with nobody around but God and George Washington.

One Way to Look at It

A spry old gentleman was smoking in the bus. The conductor said to him: Don't you see that sign that says 'No Smoking Allowed'?"

"Of course I do," replied the old man, "but how can you expect me to observe all your rules? There's another sign that says, 'Wear Spiral Cor-

Swapping Jokes

Mr. Wood, a man very fond of playing jokes, met his friend, Mr. Stone. and at once inquired facetiously: "Hello, Stone, how are Mrs. Stone and all the little pebbles?

'Fine," said Mr. Stone, "all well thank you," and then with a twinkle in his eye, he added: "How are Mrs. Wood and all the little splinters?"

By the EDITOR

TNTERSPERSED among the Christ-

little New England folk song known

and loved by young and old for nearly

a hundred years.

mas carols sung in every city, town

and hamlet on Christmas Eve is a

A LITTLE FUN Jokes to Make You Laugh

Big Baby Blue Eyes

A vivacious brunette of about 40 was standing on the promenade at a seaside resort, when she heard an admiring whistle from a very young sailor. He ambled up smiling, with his cap pushed jauntily to one side.

'Son," she reproved him gently, amused and somewhat flattered, "don't you try and flirt with me! I'm a grandmother.

"But, Grandmother," replied the undismayed sailor, "what big baby blue eyes you do have!"

Limited Blessing

In Hollywood Edith Gwynn reports that when Pat O'Brien's priest blessed his St. Christopher's medal so that Pat would be safe while driving his automobile, the good padre cautioned: "Remember, the blessing is good only up to 35 miles per hour.

That's Different

Once when a committee called on John Jacob Astor for a subscription for a worthy charity. Astor gave \$50. One of the committee members remarked. But Mr. Astor, your son William gave us \$100!"

"Yes." said the old man, 'but you must remember that William has a rich

Milk Bottle Notes

Horace B. Hatton, official of a Baltimore dairy, collects notes left in milk bottles as some collect stamps. Among the prizes of his collection are these:

'Dear Milkman: Please leave three quarts of milk and one cigarette. I am smoking my last one as I write this

"Dear Milkman: Nothing today, Just two quarts of milk.

"Milkman: We are going away on our vacation. Will not need any milk until we return. Please be sure to leave two quarts on the day we return, but we can't be sure just what day that

and amateur singer, and besides that,

there was in her home a piano (some-

what of a novelty in those days), which

belonged to one William Webber, pop-

ular music director in the Medford

schools and leader of the local singing

I have written it down to see what

you think of it," confided James Pier-

pont to Mrs. Waterman, as he sat down

"I have a little song in my head and

Why, I think it is a very merry little

The song, of course, was "Jingle

This story is vouched for by Mrs

James Pierpont, fifth of the six chil-

The composer of "Jingle Bells" is

Stella Howe of Boston, grand-niece of

dren of Rev. John Pierpont, was born

said to have been a fascinating sort of

wanderer brought up in a strict family

atmosphere. He was musically inclined.

but that talent was frowned upon by

At 14, he ran away to sea, but evi-

Sometime in the early 1850's, he

went to California. He was not a "forty-

niner," but seems to have been there

when things were booming. Whatever

money he made, it is apparent that he

Haven, Fla., in August, 1893, wrote

many other songs besides "Jingle

Crow," a ballad published in 1853; "The

Colored Coquette," for the pianoforte,

1853; "I Mourn for My Old Cottage

Home," for the piano, 1856; "The Know

Nothing Polka," 1857; "Poor Elsie," a

ballad, dated 1858, and "Good Night,"

James Pierpont, who died in Winter

Some of these are "Kitty

dently returned to the family later.

school, who boarded with her.

at the piano and started to play.

jingle," encouraged Mrs. Waterman.

Author of "JINGLE BELLS"

Bells.

Mrs. Waterman.

his father.

lost it.

Bells.

a ballad, undated.

in Boston, April 25, 1822.

And when

the carollers

sing "Jingle Bells," which

they do many

times during

the course of

the evening,

they laugh as

they clasp

hands and

jump up and

down to the

gay and lively

tune.

"Jingle Bells" is heard continually

on the radio during the Winter. No

popular sing-song is complete without

it. When there's snow on the ground,

every sleighing party gives voice to this

What is the story of this little song

The words and music were written

by a gray-eyed, tall, thin young man

who lived in West Medford, Mass., but

so little recognition has been given its

author that in most collections of songs

bears no notation at all.

'Jingle Bells" is marked anonymous, or

pont left his father's house on Mystic

Street in West Medford, and hurried

to the home of Mrs. Otis Waterman,

who lived in an apartment house which

had been remodeled from an old tav-

Mrs. Waterman was a young widow

One day in the 1850's, James Pier-

that thus dares to intrude itself among

the sacred carols of the Christmas sea-

only song of its kind that we have.

"Here's a hat that wins with me"



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Jean Jacques

(Continued from Page 2) birds, whistles, and candy boxes, red, green, yellow and gold hung on strings from the boughs.

Father Held Her Up

"A little girl stood on a chair and began to light the white est. candles one at a time. 'I can't reach the top,' she said to her last candle. He set her down and wide together they stood, hand in

"Grandfather," said Mary, page, grandfather, quick-there white candle is a picture on the next one-

Why, it was there last year," cried Mary, sitting up very taper. Light the candles. straight. "I saw it. I saw it myself. Where is it gone?

Quietly Resumes Reading Her great-grandfather quietly one. began to read again.

"I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter When out on the roof I heard

such a clatter.' 'The reindeer are on the next sleigh all full of lovely pres- bells and everything. "Turn the page, grandfather, turn it quickly, please."

reindeer-where did they go?" Shook Like Bowl of Jelly

his belly was so fat that it stuck

the book. Hurry, turn over, let elephant that walked, wagged me see if it is there." The place its ears, and held out its trunk was just as empty as the others. (Continued on Page 7, column 3)

Mary put the book down and looked at her great-grandfather. There is something very goofy here. Where did those pictures go? Grandfather, I think you and I are goofy too.

"Close your eyes tight," said Mary's great-grandfather, "and promise not to peep.

"I promise," said Mary, "boo

"Open Your Eyes Wide He took the little girl in his father, 'it is too high up, just arms and walked toward the under the star.' Her father held back of the room. "Open your her up in his arms-she lit the eyes," he whispered, "open them

Mary opened them and there hand, looking at the shimmer of against a bookcase stood a beauthe candles on the silver rope." tiful Christmas tree covered with snow, with icicles, with silver you are a swell reader. I never rope, with colored bells, and on saw a tree like that. Turn the the end of each branch was a

"Put me down, grandfather, of the tree." Great-grandfather put me down. Pinch me, grandturned the page. The page was father, pinch me. Am I awaket Is it real? Honest, is it real?' "Mary." he said, "here is a

She lit them one by one 'Grand-daddy, hold me up so

that I can light the toppiest He held her up, while she

lighted it, and then they walked across the room and stood, hand in hand, looking at the tree. Bells Jingle, Hoofs Clatter Outside on the snow-covered

page," said Mary, excitedly, lawn was a jingle of bells and a 'They are all covered with bells, clatter of hoofs. "Reindeer!" exand behind them is a big red claimed Mary, "Reindeer, with

Her grandfather threw the window and in came four Mary grabbed the book and little reindeer with strings of turned-the page had nothing on brass bells about their necks, "They have all gone way off," and frozen breath upon their said Mary. "I must be dreaming, noses, which melted and dripped let me look at the page again, on the floor. Behind them was Grandfather, did you see any a sleigh and in the sleigh-a red sleigh-were presents-dolls, an electric stove, a Noah's Ark "In the sleigh sat a little fat with animals that stuck their man with a great white beard, heads out of the windows and On his head was a red cap and made noises like real animals do.

There was a funny little theout like a big sofa cushion be- ater with a stage, and funny fore him. He began to laugh and men and women all dressed up, shook like a bowl full of jelly." that worked with strings. There "Grandfather," cried Mary, were skates, a bicycle, a sled, That picture is at the back of and most wonderful of all, an

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gar-Saving Candy Making Tips

By JOSEPHINE GIBSON OW CAN there be holiday feast-

ing without candies and other

sweet tidbits? If you are worry-

about providing sweets with the

r crock almost empty, try these

until a small amount forms a hard

hen dropped in cold water (275 de-stirring frequently. Pour batch at

As edges cool, turn toward center spatula or edge will be hard before it is ready to pull. When cool enough

dle, make a little hoilow in the taffy

to greased baking tin or marble

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r-saving sweets.

cups light molasses

espoons butter

Add and scald 10 minutes 2 cups evaporated milk Strain through cheese cloth and measure. There should be two cups. Boil together:

2 cups sugar 2 cups white corn syrup

few grains salt Cook mixture to 245 degrees to make a very thick syrup. Add, very slowly so as not to stop boiling, coffee mixture and: ½ cup butter

son?

Cook quickly, while stirring constantly, to 242 degrees (firm ball stage). Add: 1 teaspoon vanilla

Pour into buttered pans to 34-inch thickness. Cool. Before candy sets, mark into squares. Chill until very firm. Remove to cutting board and use a large knife to cut into squares.

CHOCOLATE FUDGE

Combine: 2 squares chocolate % cup milk, scalded Heat slowly until chocolate is melted and

teaspoon vanilla 1/2 cup chopped nut meats, if desired Melt chocolate in heavy, shallow saucepan. Add sweetened condensed milk, corn syrup and sait. Cook slowly, stirring con-stantly, over low heat until mixture forms

Here, two Children take great delight in helping prepare the holiday sweets. boys are stirring in the sugar for a batch of home-made candy.

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firm ball when tested in cold water (about 20 minutes). Remove from heat. Add vanilla and nut meats. Pour at once into buttered pan (8x8 inches). When cold, cut into squares. Remove from pan. Makes 14 pounds.

ORANGE COCOANUT FUDGE

2 cups sugar

cup evaporated milk

1/4 teaspoon salt Heat, stirring constantly until sugar is dissolved. Then boil without stirring to the soft ball stage, 238 degrees. Remove from heat and cool to lukewarm. Spread over bottom of buttered pan: 2 tablespoons cocoanut

2 teaspoons grated orange rind Add to candy mixture

2 tablespoons butter

g cup cocoanut 1/4 teaspoon vanilla

Beat until mixture begins to stiffen. Pour into pan over cocoanut and orange rind. Cut into squares.

APRICOT COCOANUT BALLS

11/2 cups dried apricots, ground cups shredded cocoanut

cup sweetened condensed milk Confectioner's sugar

Mix apricots and cocoanut. Moisten with sweetened condensed milk. Shape into balls and roll in confectioner's sugar. Let stand

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until firm. Makes about 32 balls.

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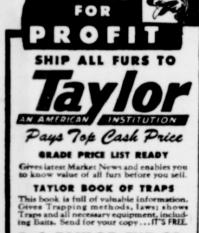
Texas Farm News

Mem "Miss Cock-a-Doodle-Doo of the Lower Rio Grande Valley." The plump red hen, entered in a "beauty" contest at the Edinburg poultry show, nosed out six other contestants for the title and prize. Some of her rivals were ribbon-bedecked white

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Bureau of Economics estimates there are 42.459.000 chickens on Texas farms. This figure tops that of all States with the exception of Iowa, which has 54,carriers, crop and stock reports, and hatcheries.

A crop of hairy vetch, forti-Agent R. C. Dunkle. Then J. cotton lands. B. Fore, Jr., ex-serviceman and operator of the farm, in seeded the acreage. From it looked as good as at present,

C. McClellan, assistant for- butter. is exceeded only by the 3,- ford a good living as well." 009,843 acres credited to Arkansas. Three years ago. only 262,371 total tree farm



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Howard Altenhof, 17, of New Braunfels, won the na-169,000. The estimate is based tional Wilson meat animal on reports from rural mail award at the 4-H Club Congress in Chicago early in De-The chemical weed killer fied by 200 pounds of 20 per known as 2-4-D is blamed for

cent superphosphate an acre, losses amounting to \$200,000 moved a strip of farmland in in the cotton fields of Mata-Young county, Texas, from gorda county. H. D. Madsen, on his second voyage in the red to the profit side of the red to the profit side of of Danevang, president of the the ledger this year. The Cotton Farmers Protective plot, comprising 30 acres of Association, said that 2,000 Brazos river sandy soil, had acres of cotton in the county not yielded crops which paid were ruined when wind the cost of production for drove the chemical, intended several years, said County to dust rice fields, across the

At no time since the war October, 1946, prepared and have prospects for dairying he harvested 8,040 pounds of according to Charles V. Grifclean vetch seed. His gross fin, Brown county agent. He return from the 30 acres was points out that the shortage \$1,698, of which \$1,608 was of dairy cows is acute. For the past nine years an average of 60 per cent of the milk Texas has the second larg- cows have been bred to beef est acreage devoted to certi- type bulls, which, Griffin fied tree farms of all the says, is one of the principal States in the Nation. Authori- reasons for the shortage. ty for this statement is the More people, he adds, are usrecent report compiled by J. ing milk, cheese, cream and "Of course," the ester of the American Forest agent concluded, "dairy feed Products Industries. Accord- is high, but with careful plan- their seed stores and call- ter crops growing on a and fourth place for the ing to the report. Texas has ning and management, good a total of 2,401,613 acres in dairy cows will not only pay Rescue grass, a native of exist, the need for only one of the 1948-49 competition its tree farm program. This for themselves, but will af- South America, is a winter ditch, and the elimination held at Athens, Ga.

McClellan said, Texas had gifts delivered to Bucking- mant. Early ranchmen four acre-inches an hour ham Palace in London for named it "rescue" because Princess Elizabeth's wedding it came to their rescue A special feature includes was a 21-pound bag of pecans, sent by E. Guy Risien, of 1941, the Agricultural Ex-San Saba. This is not the periment Station at Texas first time British royalty has A. & M. College has been received pecans from the making selections from Risien orchards. The late both native rescue grass Queen Victoria, great-grand- and several strains of seed. Queen Victoria, great-grand-mother of the princess, re-ceived pecans from the late F. F. Risien, father of E. Guy Risien. The elder Risien was native of England and an Texas Rescue 46. Foundaadmirer of the late queen.

> Seventy-six railway carlots of red grapefruit are on the 1946, and the seed will beway from the Rio Grande Valley of Texas to Belgium and Switzerland. Shippers at Brownsville reported that the people in those European countries are particularly fond of the crimson-flesh citrus fruit, raised only in the Texas Valley.

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Farm income for the Rio Grande Valley of Texas for the first eight months this year exceeded by nine million dollars the previous record set in the same period of 1946. The new all-time record is \$124,648,000. These figures were released by the Bureau of Business Research of the University of Texas.

tural economics at Texas sweet potatoes. A. & M. College. "There were no farm animals of enough to bring them over throughout the State ad- thing." Recently, a group on his second voyage in vise farmers. This, they of Mexican cotton pickers said the A. & M. professor starve the boll weevil be- and he put them to work America chapter, interested forthcoming book on the tion for the winter. Also, Among them was a man swine production, have or-Texas cattle industry.

Texas town's annual Tur- them. key Trot. Later, in ceremonies at the municipal Jr., Cuero banker.

and resistance to disease. tion seed was placed with Texas registered seed growers in September. available for general planting next fall.

hip-deep in the muck of almost impenetrable \$64 or more. The goats marshes of the Texas-Lou- save this money. "Not isiana coast country, may only that, but the calves reap the richest harvest in are healthier when they're come for the first the history of the back- raised on goat's milk," Mc- eight months of 1947 breaking industry, fur buyers and trappers predict. Eleven to 12,000,000 rat skins, selling for near-recarea, industry leaders say. ber 15 and will close March 15.

A Texas negro "city farmer" who really made a big crop on a small scale

up a potato slip out of grass seed from the passome garbage he was haul- ture, with yields ranging was the scourge of coyotes in It is not mentioned in ing last spring. He set it around 50 and 74 pounds Motley county last year. With conventional history books, out in his back yard. The to the acre. With the de- a catch of 918 of the var-

Cotton stalks should be had imagination the field, county agents he's now "seen everyfore he goes into hiberna- gathering the fleecy bolls. in better hogs and improved they add, cotton stalks who was totally blind. Hill ganized a Duroc Swine Club, turned under green make is authority for the state- according to T. C. Blankena good green manure crop, ment that the sightless ship, their advisor. The swine flow in large measure More than 5,000 turkeys which helps the soil. In Mexican picked 93 pounds club is composed of seven larger huban clover and were driven through the addition, plowing now will of cotton in one day. streets of Cuero in the pa- help to clean up fields that rade which features that have grass or weeds in

Burns, Cuero blonde, was getting the water to the Livestock Exposition. crowned Sultana Oreuc X crops through irrigation by Sultan Yekrut X, in ditches, the new system annual which produces of run-off, washing, crustgreen feed when most oth- ing and waste. Standard Among the thousands of er grasses are dead or dor- equipment can deliver fertilizer in the water, thus insuring uniformity of dis-stitute the second

tribution. Goats have assumed the ner has developed calf-feeding chore on the what is regarded as farm of Byford McQuiston one of the outstanding such thing as a drop in have won more major Out of these tests came milk production. The day show premiums than a calf is born, it is turned any other flock. Unover to a nanny goat to til this year, his enraise, and the cow that tries had won both mothered the calf goes on championships in the producing milk for sale, annual shearing con-To raise a young calf, Mc- test held by the Texas Quiston says, it takes a gal- Angora Goat Raisers lon of milk daily for 120 Association every Muskrat trappers, toiling days, or an investment at year since the conprevailing milk prices of Quiston adds.

Waters S. Davis, Galves- the comparable 1946 ton county ranchman, can't period by nearly 300 ord prices ranging from figure out whether he nillion dollars, the \$1.30 to \$2.25 per pelt, may ought to be ranching or Jniversity of Texas be taken in the bistate seed-farming. The stockman recently told Galves-The season opened Novem- ton County Agent M. B. Higher dollar value of Vieman that the yields off crops brought the inthe Dallis grass in his pastures rival, in cash return, statistical agency said. the beef cattle he markets. The northern high After his cattle grazed permanent pasture up until had the highest gain, is Block Carroll, who lives last June 1, Davis has har- 130%, of any district; at Paris. Carroll picked vested two crops of Dallis the trans-Pecos re-

but Christopher Columbus vine grew rapidly, spread- mand and price for seed mints, which fatten on farmwas America's first cattle- ing 25 feet in all directions, like it is, he says he can ers' chickens and sheep, Mcman, says Dr. John Ash- and when Block dug his make almost as much from Donough was the No. 1 coyton, professor of agricul- crop he got 35 pounds of this "catch" seed crop as ote catcher in the Lubbock he can raising cattle. Jack Hill, McKinney county, with a bag of 520, any kind on the Western plowed under just as soon citizen who owns a farm provided the second highest Hemisphere until Colum- as the last boll is picked in north of Celina, says catch in the district.

Miss Jackie Jean Brock, Duroc sow, Daisy Jane, dam

18. of Floydada, received of champion barrows at a \$100 college scholarship Houston and Fort Worth A new method of water for achievement and lead- livestock shows, and at the airport, addresses were distribution which may re- ership in farm work at the State Fair of Texas. delivered by Gov. Beau- volutionize irrigation has 26th National 4-H Club ford H. Jester and Rep. been demonstrated on the Congress. The 4-H Con-John Lyle of Corpus farm of Perry Bowser, gress was held in connec-Christi. Miss Mary Helen west of Kress. Instead of tion with the International

Setting the pace for the private life Joe S. Edgar, employs the sprinkler Leghorn entries, the entry method. Advantages of the of D. Del Buono, of Clifnew method are said to in- ton, in the Georgia Na-Next fall farmers and clude an even distribution tional Egg-Laying Test ranchmen will be going to of water, the ability to wa- won honors for Leghorns ing for Texas Rescue 46. hillside or where terraces test during the first month

The recent purchase

by J. L. Pulley, of Uvalde, of 352 registered Angora goats from G. A. Bonner, of Leakey, is said to conlargest such transaction on record. Bontest was started.

Texas farm cash inreached \$953,861,000 to exceed the total for Research reports. creased income, the plains of the State gion, where a 30 per cent slump was recorded, had the lowest income.

Some very interesting information concerning the value of hairy vetch as a green manure crop recently was released by M. K. Thornton, extension agricultural chemist of Young county. He said that hairy vetch that yielded 2,000 pounds of hay will return to the land 41.4 pounds of nitrogen. Farmers who have inspected bales of hairy vetch hay agree it is of excellent quality.

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district, comprising more than 40 counties. Dickens

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Texas honey production for

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members, who pooled their over the State.

Dynamiting has proved off trees at the A. I. farm north of Browns 1947 is estimated at 13,140,- he had received inquir 000 pounds, the result of a and orders for pecansrecord high yield of 45 all over Texas as a res pounds of honey per bee the experiment. Fabis to colony, says the U. S. that a full stick of dyna Department of Agriculture. placed in the top of the o This increased production and larger trees is most represents a twenty per cent tive. He waited until ! gain over last year's crop of to use the dynamite 10,920,000 pounds. Texas younger and smaller to beemen had 292,000 colonies for most effective dist at the start of the 1947 sea- ment of the nuts. He ad son, compared with 273,000 ed against careless and in last year. The USDA attri- criminate use of dynamics





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Our Boys and Girls

One of the world's masterpieces dealing with the birth of Christ is this painting by Lucca del Robbia, dated 1463, and titled, "Nativity with Gloria."

rode into Jerusalem, returning at even-

tide to Bethany, and the next three days went He also into the city and did preach

in the temple, and on the fourth evening

He sat in Jerusalem sharing with the twelve the Passover feast, and near mid-

night, in the garden of Gethsemane on Olivet, whither He had gone after the Feast,

He was seized by His enemies and sent

bound to the high priest of Caiaphas, and

tried in the morning by the Sanhedrin, and taken before Pilate and Herod Antipas

and sentenced to be crucified, and He car-

ried His cross to Calvary, and on that af-

SURPRISE CHRISTMAS TREE

Bobby and Jack and

Beverly and Jean were

tramping through the woods on Bobby's farm.

Bobby's daddy was with them. Over his shoulder

he carried his axe. For

the children were going to choose a fir tree for the

Christmas party at their

"There is a pretty tree!"

Jean exclaimed. "And it is just the right size!" added

The children and Mr.

There's a bird in it,"

Jones walked over to the

tree which stood off by it-

said Beverly. "A robin's

nest," Mr. Jones remarked.

this tree the robins might

miss it," said Bobby a little sadly. "I wonder

whether they always live in this particular

tree," thought Jack who seemed worried.

happy," they all said.

first one.

of the branches.

er children agreed.

could not get at it.

The four children looked at each other. "We don't want to make any bird un-

So the searching party moved on. Soon

'We can't cut the squirrel's playground

The third tree the children found was

A squirrel was sitting on one

"How about this one, father?" asked Bobby.

took it away,

mother would be lonely."

don't believe you want to

the four children, as if

Mr. Jones walked back

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I WANT THE WHOLE

WORLD TO KNOW HOW I

FEEL ABOUT

YOU, TUFFY!

with one breath.

"Oh, but we do!" cried

"Oh, I think it is the

"I think you children

they came to a spruce about the size of the

from under him," said Jean. And the oth-

protected by a larger one. Its branches were covered with snow, for the wind

'If we were to chop down

ternoon died upon the cross.

RTH AND RNEYS OF CHRIST

fourth year

opening Christian Era, a carpenter obedient - that all rid should be city-went city th, into Judaea, city called Beth-- because he the house and of David. o it was, that,

they the days were ished that she be delivered brought forth firstborn apped Him in ling clothes, aid Him in a because em in the inn. was no room e shepherds, flock by night the angel of ord came upon and they were fraid, and the said, Fear not;

s of great joy, shall be to all people. For unto you this day a Saviour. And suddenly was a multitude of the Heavenly Host ng God, and saying, Glory to God in thest, and on earth peace, good will men. And the shepherds came and the babe lying in a manger and known abroad the saying concerning hild, and all that heard it wondered. Mary kept all these things, and ponthem in her heart. Fabis for came eastern wise men to Jeru-following the child's star, and

old. I bring

the king was troubled for prophesy id that from Bethlehem would come r of all Israel, and he sent the wis there, saying, search diligently, and ye have found the child bring me that I may come and ip Him also. star led them to the young child was,

they fell down and apped Him; and preunto Him gifts, and turned not to Herod. arted another way. days after His the child was preat the temple in rned to Nazareth. Joseph, fearful of wrath, soon fled Mary and the child and Herod, unof their escape, slew ies in Bethlehem the coasts thereof.

Herod died, Joseph

Israel, but g that Archelaus did reign in Judaea room of his father Herod, he was to go thither, and turned aside into

orts of Galilee.
his twelfth year, taken to Jerusalem Passover, the child, for three days from his kin, and they found Him temple questioning with the doctors. He dwelt in Nazareth until His th year, an humble carpenter, inwisdom and stature and in

with God and man. Christ began to be about thirty of age He was baptized in the river n, by his cousin, John the Baptist, sed forty days in the wilderness began His ministry

in the synain Galilee, in Nazand in Capernaum. He gathered about disciples, and the were the twelve n as His apostles, Sicalled Peter, and Anhis brother, James John, Philip and Barnew, Matthew and las, James the son eus and Simon Zelotes, and Judas ther of James and Iscariot which was the traitor. And ried His teachings the regions about

Christ led His a desert Bethsaida, and d His fate, and set and their steps to-Jerusalem for the feast of the Pass-Bethphage and

KS, DINO.

GOOD DEAL

Jericho, unto Bethphage and ny, at the mount called the mount

he Sunday in April before the Feast Carist was thirty-four years old He

baby of the big tree," cried Beverly. "And if had better come with me," said Mr. Jones. "I cut down a tree for Christmas after all."

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Then away they went. The children said nothing. Soon the automobile stopped in front of a big building. A man led them through a door and into a big open place, where there were dozens of fir trees for sale. Each one was growing in a big wooden tub. fill-(Continued top next column)

Now the children knew they would not have to chop down the home of a robin or the playground of a squirrel or take a baby tree away from its mother. They would buy a little tree that would keep on growing after Christmas was past. And that is just what they did!

Jean Jacques

(Continued from Page 5) for peanuts, which it put in its

"Quick, Shut the Window" Mary looked at her grandfather, her eyes were very big.

"Grand-daddy," she said, "quick, literature. Write Barnsley, Ozone, Ark. shut the window or they will run away."

Her great-grandfather closed

'He is not there. Where is he? Where has he gone? Won't I! see him? Tell me grandfather, won't I see Santa Claus?"

In the chimney was a scratching—a pair of black boots came first, then red legs, then a big fat red belly, and there he stood on the hearth with his white on the hearth with his white beard and white hair all covbeard. Ark.

FARMS with or without electricity. Describe your wants fully. McKAMEY, Imboden, Ark.

"Merry Christmas!" he shouted. "Merry Christmas. A small chimney for a fat man, but I WE HAVE for immediate deliver wiggled down. Why don't you

the tree. "Are they all for me?" asked

Mary, in a half scared voice. "Yes," said Santa, "all for you, every one of them, every single one.'

'But how about the other children," asked Mary, "what do they have? I don't want to be a pig, even if this is my first

child," said her great-grandfath-er. "Mr. Santa Claus has a sleigh full for each house. he has a sleigh full for each house-he has them all loaded and has only to go home and harness his reindeer

"I Must Be Going" "I must be going," said Santa

Claus, "I must be going. I have a lot of children to see tonight, a lot. Merry Christmas! Open the window, please." He jumped into his sleigh, cracked his whip, and was off with a "Merry Paso, Texas.

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Mary sat with a doll in her arms on the big sofa, her little body cuddled close to her greatgrandfather's, whose arm was about her - and the Christmas book lay in her lap. She had fallen asleep.

The library door opened. Jean Jacques the Third, the living Jean Jacques, stood in his dressing gown in the doorway, with a book under his arm. He saw the tree, the presents under it, and the candles burning on it. He looked at the empty frame, and his own grandfather sitting write Estabrook, Sherburne Center, Vt.

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Glances Over Shoulder

Jean Jacques stole across the room and glanced over his ancestor's shoulder He read the first lines on the open page of the book in Mary's lap. 'Twas the night before Christ-

mas When all through the house Not a creature was stirring.

Not even a mouse. Uncle Jean Jacques - Jean Jacques the Third-took Mary in his arms. She did not awake, but nestled closer to him. He turned and moved toward the door, paused an instant, and looked back. The tree was gone and in the empty frame was Jean Jacques the First in his black coat and white frock.

"Tomorrow is Christmas Day, said Jean Jacques the Third. "By tomorrow we'll have that tree back again with all the presents under it and the candles burning.



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wiggled down. Why don't you clean your chimneys once in a while?"

Santa Takes Out Gifts

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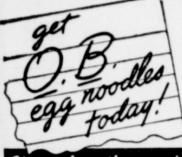
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And they found the stone rolled away from the sepul-Luke 24:2. chre.







HOUSEHOLD HELPS

GIVE THE CHILDREN A YULE ROLE

Christmas is the time for giving, So beloved by girls and boys. Let the smallest share the blessing Of preparing Christmas joys.

By MILDRED HARDCASTLE, R. N.

(Condensed from The Chicago Tribune) OW MANY of us, thinking only to give our children the best of everything, try to exclude them from the Christmas preparations?

To us, those preparations may seem to be only chores, work to be finished before the children can have their day. But to them, preparations are fascinat-



walking and talking, he isn't too young to take a small part in the preparations, for even then he can feel the spirit in which they are done. Let him give Daddy a gift, no matter how small. Let him hold it as you say: "This is your gift to Daddy. We will wrap it together." Daddy's thanks to him on Christmas morning will be the beginning of learning the glow that giving brings. Other preparations can be shared simply in the same way.

Sing Carols to Him

The two-year-old can take a much more active part. Let him hand you the fragrant sprays of Christmas greens as you decoguide his hand so that he can stick raisins in the special cookies that are to be a gift for a special friend, telling him about it as you work. Sing Christmas carols and hear him try to follow the tunes. He can't possibly miss the spirit of gladness which this day should bring, for you'll really be feeling joyful as you sing "Joy to the World

The three-year-old can help make his own special gifts as well as share in the decorating and baking preparations. One

little girl made her dad a paper weight that still holds first place on his desk. She found a large smooth stone big enough to place snapshot of herself on its top. Her mother helped her glue it into place and then give the whole thing a coat of clear shellac. After the child can handle blunt scis-

sors and crayons, he will enjoy making many different decorations for the tree, the windows or the rooms.

Easily-Made Decorations

Paper colored and cut into inch-wide strips, pasted together into a chain of rings is a very popular decoration, easily made. Pictures from old Christmas greetings may

be cut out and hung with bright red or green yarn. Red and green crepe paper can be cut in long strips and fluted to make lovely hangings. Popcorn cranberries may be strung. Any one of these

ctivities, taken a lit-tle bit at a ime, will keep the child busy and happy while you do the more difficult jobs with which he can't help. Re mem ber though, not to expect per fection! Accept them in the spirit that

they are done.
If there is among our child's acquaintances some less fortunate tot who will not re-

ceive many gifts is an ideal time to teach him the joy of sharing with no thought of a gift in return. Let him choose from his oyn toys those that he has outgrown or doesn't often use and help him wrap them with some candy or cookies to give to the other child.

Let Him Give His Gift

Take him, if possible, on Christmas Day to give his gift, to see the delight that it brings. Having seen the picture of a child being happy with much less than he has will make him appreciate his own abundance more, as well as give him the desire to share to make another happy

Again, don't miss the beauty of Christmas music to emphasize the spirit of your preparations. Your radio is a special blessing at this time with its wealth of good Sing, even though you can't carry Your children will join you and a tune. you'll be surprised at the song in your hearts. Spread out the joy of Christmas so that The Day becomes the jeweled setting in the ring of happy preparations

GAY DOORWAY SIGNALIZES YULETIDE WELCOME

Because time is limited to finish outdoor holiday decorations, concentrate your ef-forts around the doorway, an appropriate set the stage for a bright and cheerful Yuletide.
Those who have outdoor

lights can make the nighttime welcome warm with color. Combining the lights with wreaths, green roping, and cut branches will carry the decorative scheme through the day.

In using lights and greenery together, remember that red lamps have a tendency to make foliage colors appear brownish, but green lights increase their green-White lamps produce a bright sparkle, accenting all colors, while yellow and orange give off a mellow glow. Blue produces a hushed appearance.

Ornaments Lend Glitter

Decorations around doorways, protected with a porch roof, may utilize tree ornaments to reflect the colored lights and give the greenery an extra glitter.

In the porch-covered doorway green roping framing the window in the door should be studded with tree ornaments. They are repeated in a large cluster in the upper

corner, where a large evergreen branch across the top of the doorway and one down the side are joined.

Spruce, fir or pine boughs may be used here, and where large ones are not obtain-able two or three small ones are tied together to gain the needed size. A string or two lights are threaded through the green branches to brighten the nighttime

Festive Appearance

The small entrance porch or door shelter can be given a festive holiday appearance with a massive cluster of evergreen branches fastened in the gable end of the roof. To avoid making many holes in the porch, five to seven branches are stapled in cluster formation to a 6 by 12inch board.

Place the branches in position with the ends curving slightly away from the porch. The board is then secured in position with two medium-sized wood screws. Colored lights are spaced

along the branches and the arrangement is completed with a large, shiny, red oilcloth bow. Silver and red bells are clustered on the wreath hung in the center of the door.

DON'T NEGLECT YOUR APPEARANCE little tricks of make-up and all those things

So you're worn out. This getting ready for Christmas has been a lot of work and feel old and tired. Keep your spirits high, anyway, mother!

And whatever you do, don't neglect your Wear a fresh, pretty dress. Use those

The finest Christmas ever planned can be wrecked by tired, cross, discontentedlooking women. Never forget that!

TESTED RECIPES

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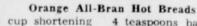
Best Wishes

Merry Christmas to you all and may this be the best New Year ever. Let's start it off right by following this little poem: "Serve a laugh with meat loaf, Serve a smile with steak, Serve a grin with gingerbread, And chuckles with the cake. Whistle with the waffles, Sing a song with salad, Hum a tune while knead-

ing dough. Don't you know a ballad? Beat time with the rolling pin,

Tap-dance while you fry, There's kitchen fun for Who'll make it-why not

try? Homemakers prepare and serve at least 1,095 meals a year and that's not counting parties, teas, and evening snacks. So why not have some fun with every meal and make the work in the kitchen as easy as possible with a labor-saving recipe such as this:



you do other seasons of the year -

Orange All-Bran Hot Breads 4 teaspoons baking

though you just feel like giving it all up and falling into an easy chair.

2 teaspoons grated powder orange rind teaspoon soda cup sugar teaspoon salt cup milk

1 cup All-Bran 3½ cups sifted flour 1/2 cup orange juice Blend shortening, orange rind and sugar

thoroughly. Add eggs and beat until creamy. Stir in All-Bran. Sift together flour, bakpowder, soda and add to first mixture alternately with milk and orange juice. Stir only

until flour disappears. Baked Apples Popular

Apple time is here again. And once more home-makers are preparing those delicious cobblers, puddings, pies, and other apple dishes with which to delight their

Baked apples are fa-mous for their versatility. Served with cream they make a tempting and nu-



with sausage or mincemeat, baked apples are a welcome treat on luncheon or dinner menus. So, when your family troops in and asks, "What's cooking?" let the luscious aroma of baked apples be the answer.

Below is a simple recipe for baked apples which can be varied in any number of ways. For a party dessert you might top the apples with meringue maraschino cherries. Or fill them with raisins and nut meats, i you desire.

Baked Apples 6 apples

4 cup brown sugar Cinnamon Lemon juice

2 tablespoons butter 4 cup sugar 1 cup water

Wash and core the apples. Peel skin about one-third of the way down. Fill center cavity of each apple with two tablespoons brown sugar and sprinkle with cinnamon and a dash of lemon

juice. Dot with one teaspoon of butter. Place in a baking pan. Boil three-quarters of of sugar and one cup of water for five minutes. Pour around apples and bake uncovered in a moderate oven (375 degrees) for 25 to 30 minutes, or until tender, basting frequently with syrup in bottom of pan. Remove from oven and cool in syrup.

Mashed Sweet Potatoes

Mashed sweet potatoes topped with rich, creamy marshmallows. Doesn't that sound like a delicious concoction? And you can make it even more delicious by mixing nuts with the pota-

Try the following recipe and see if your family doesn't agree that here indeed is a dish to win anybody's approval.

31/2 cups mashed sweet potatoes

to ½ cup unsulphured molasses

3 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted 1 teaspoon salt

½ teaspoon grated lemon or orange rind

Marshmallows Combine all ingredients except marshmallows. If potatoes are too dry, add a little milk. Dip marshmallows in additional molasses and arrange over po-tatoes. Bake 30 minutes in a moderate oven (350 degrees). Yield: six to eight servings.

Holiday Cut-Out Canapes

1 3-oz. pkg. cream cheese 3 tablespoons milk

No. 2 can cranberry sauce lb. package processed cheese

3-oz. can deviled ham Crisp crackers

Soften cream cheese with milk, blending until smooth; season if desired. Slice cranberry sauce thin; cut out in bell and star shapes, using small cookie cutters. Slice processed cheese and cut out with cutters into holiday shapes also. Spread cream cheese on crackers and spread deviled ham on additional crackers. Top cream cheese-crackers with cranberry cut-outs and ham-spread crackers with cheese cut-outs. Garnish cheese cut-outs with pimiento. Arrange on platter with plain crackers. Garnish platter with watercress. Serve with juice cocktails. Serves 4 to 6.

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Christmas With the Pioneers Held Deep Religious Meaning

out of virgin plains and wildernesses, was in marked contrast to the present holiday.

There was more meaning then in the words of The Book concerning shepherds in a certain country watching their flocks by night. The solitudes, the closeness of the stars, the virginity of the new world and its humble people made one feel that time had stood still. Christmas in those days somehow seemed much closer to that first Christmas.

Those bleak plains could be the ones the Wise Men crossed, this the Night and you sleeping village, Bethlehem. The faith of the trail breakers was that of the Wise Men. On Christmas Eve the pioneer

folks would gather in a crude little church or schoolhouse where children recited their pieces and sang

CHRISTMAS on the frontier, as or a calico doll from Santa Claus.

But that doll, made from spare ever westward to carve an empire strips of bright cloth, probably was strips of bright cloth, probably was more treasured than any modern doll that can say "Mama," go to sleep and perhaps require a diaper.

Children who received a slate pencil or a shell-box, a little affair covered with shells and containing a small mirror, were the special favorites of Santa.

For goodies, no Christmas was complete without its pans of popcorn and ropes of molasses taffy. In rare cases there might be a bag of candy.

IN THE isolated cabins it wasn't so easy to gather with one's neighbors to celebrate. There were wolves in the timber and being caught in a sudden storm on the pioneer trails spelled death.

Christmas in some places meant a bobsled ride or perhaps a square



quito-bar sacks of candy, a golden orange or an apple to each one, and childhood rapture would make that meager offering truly a gift of gold and frankincense.

H OME-MADE sleds and sleighs skimmed over the snowy countryside with sleigh bells jingling ac-companiment to the caroling of "Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells."

Except in the forest regions, few children enjoyed the sight of a Christmas tree. But always they hung up their stockings, an old custom of their forefathers.

It was a lucky boy who awoke Christmas morning to find a new jack-knife in his stocking; a lucky girl who received a string of beads

songs about the birth of the Christ dance, often followed by a turkey Child. Santa would hand out mos-dinner costing 25 cents.

Gifts, if any, generally were in the form of utilitarian mittens, mufflers or home-made boots. For the women there might be a piece of intricate handiwork to which some enterprising friend had devoted her spare time for months.

Throughout the holiday season a candle burned in the attic window, guiding late-faring travelers to shelter-the Star of Bethlehem on the frontier.

But withall these hardy folks had as much fun as their great-grand-sons and daughters who again this year will celebrate by exchanging elaborate gifts, dancing to name bands, feasting with no worries that tomorrow there may be nothing in the electric refrigerator.

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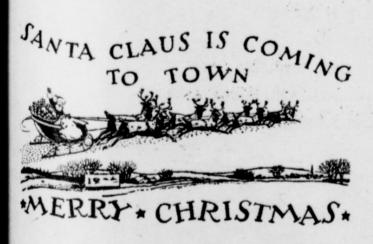
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e Right now it's time to lay aside business cares and all that is complicated and get down to simple things. A little boy on the floor under the Christmas tree watching his electric train whizz past, the happy faces of little girls singing Christmas carols, boys coasting down the hill.

Let's catch that spirit! Merry Christmas to you, and you, and you!

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If children instead of their parents were allowed to choose the family homesite, the tiny fishing village of Rodanthe, N. C., would become a metropolis overnight. Here's a place they celebrate two Christmases every year.

Santa Claus, his reindeer scampering over the sands of North Carolina's outer banks, makes his first stop in Rodanthe during his annual world tour on the night of December 24. Hardly have the children recovered from their oversupply of candy and wild duck when Santa returns in time for "Old Christmas," which for hundreds of years Rodantheans have celebrated on January 5. This time, however, Santa is accompanied by a menacing ogre, known as "Old Buck,"



who takes care of the bad children while Santa administers to the good. The historical background of "Old Christmas" is uncertain. It may be a throwback to the Gregorian calendar or it may have started as a celebration of the Twelfth Nightwhen the wise men came to Bethlehem bearing gifts for the Christ child—that somehow got off schedule a day. Elsewhere the Twelfth Night is celebrated on January 6. But those celebrations are far different from Rodanthe's "Old Christmas," which only in recent years has been supplemented by the observance of December 25.

Abbreviation, Xmas Of Greek Origin

There has been much unfavorable comment on the abbreviated form for Christmas that is commonly used. Many think it inappropriate and undignified to use the shortened form, Xmas.

The explanation of its origin is that the initial letter of the Greek name for Christ is X and the coincidence of its cruiciform shape led to an early adoption of this letter as the figure and symbol of Christ. X is frequently found on walls of the catacombs. When the early Christians wished to make a representation of the Trinity, they would place either a cross or an X beside the names of the Father and the Holy Ghost. From this came the shortened form Xmas, instead of Christians.



The poinsettia has no Christmas legend and its adoption as a symbol or decoration for Christmas is of recent origin. In Spain it is known as the flor de noche-buene, and is connected with the sentiment of Christmas.

Its beautiful flaming star is one of

the favorite flowers of the Christmas season, and its use as an indoor decoration is universal.

Legends of Holly

Many beliefs are connected with the Christmas holly: Legends relate that the crown of

the white berries turning red like drops of blood aft-

drops of blood after the crucifixion.

It is said that whoever brings the holly into the house first, either husband or wife, is the one who will rule in the ensuing year.

For many years the superstition persisted that holly was hateful to witches. It was placed on doors and windows to keep out evil spirits.

Reduce Christmas Hazards With Care

To avoid tragic Christmas accidents in the home, the Fire Protection institute issues these precautionary time:

tionary tips:

—Use a flame-proof compound to
spray wreaths and other pine decorations.

—Use materials marked flameproof for tree trimmings and home decorations if they are obtainable.

—Inspect Christmas tree lights, and repair frayed wires or loose

—Never leave Christmas lights burning unless someone is around. —Never unwrap gifts near an open fire or flickering flame. Dispose of paper and other inflammable wrappings immediately.

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Charlie and Mary Cabool



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