

# Santa To Be Here Christmas Eve

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This week we present you the 33rd Christmas edition and the 11th edition since moving here. Without exception the firms appearing as advertisers were willing and anxious to send their appreciation to you for business extended during the year now closing.

It is as well the wish of your publisher to thank the advertisers and the readers of this newspaper for their goodwill and friendship and to bless us once more at this time of another great Christmas.

The Ed., his Bride, the Tribe and other.

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### Jolly St. Nick Is Coming

Christmas Eve afternoon will be a big event for the tiny tots of the town and trade area because at 3 or 3:30 that jolly gentleman from the North Pole is paying a visit here compliments of the O'Donnell Fire Department. According to F. M. Jones, Chief of the Fire Department, about \$100 is in the Christmas fund.

At this Christmas party individual bags of candy, fruits and nuts will be presented to each child who is in town.

Most stores here report a brisk Christmas business but the sad truth is that business would be on a boom if all, and we are including the merchants, traded at home so far as possible.

Chief Jones said the Fire Department wished to thank Clyde Winans for his nice contribution to the Department.

### Christmas 1927 In Big O

Where were you 28 years ago at Christmas time? For the fun of it let's pull out the Dec. 23rd 1927 file of the O'Donnell INDEX.

On the front page is a half page ad of Carlisle and Co. wishing you a Merry Christmas.

Tom Holland, who had been working for C E Ray Tailor Shop left for his home in Raines County.

J. V. Shook of Simmons College is home.

Among those taking Christmas greetings were: Bennett Mfg. Co., E. M. Wilder, mgr., Thornhill Variety, Turland and Wilder, coal and grain, Clements Tailor Shop, Gantt and Hubbard Motor Co., Continental Oil Co., E. H. Wilder, mgr., The Boston Store, Chas. Cabool, Mgr., Estes and Clayton, groceries and feeds, Guthrie's Merc., Jones Dry Goods (ed. note: it was remarkable how many business firms the town had then.)

For sale or trade: pony disc plow T. J. Vandell

Mr and Mrs. J. M. Ables will spend the holidays at Herby, Texas. Miss Jessie Sargent spent the week end at Tahoka.

W E Bonham was in Midland on business.

Mrs. Chas. Nunnally of Treadway was shopping in O'Donnell Wednesday.

Miss Parmer was teaching the 3rd grade and Miss Sorrell was teaching the 6th.

Maurice and June Middleton of Junior Class will spend the holidays at Abilene.

Your editor was J. W. Roberts and the Index sold for \$2 a year. Your present Index man was a Junior at North Dallas Hi and his wife to be was in first grade.

Headline — 8762 bales of cotton ginned to date.

Mack Noble visited at Lamesa Saturday nite.

Grocery specials— Spinach, Del Monte, 2 for 16c. Pork roast lb 22c. Catsup, 23c. Hams, 26c.

Men's suits, 2 pairs pants for \$13.75.

Mr. Roberts wished his Index family a Merry Christmas — It's still a good wish in 1955.

### 65TH ANNIVERSARY

Visiting in the home of Mr and Mrs. G. G. Vaughn Sunday evening were Mr and Mrs. Levi Gray, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Vaughn, Mr and Mrs. Dallas Vaughn, Mr and Mrs. W. A. Priest and children of Clovis N. M., Mr and Mrs. George Don Vaughn and boys, Mr and Mrs. Ted McLaurin and children of Odessa. Saturday was Mr and Mrs. Vaughn's 65th wedding anniversary.

Sam Singleton, Jr., a medical student at Houston, is home for the holidays.

### Stores To Close Two Mondays

Mayor Jimmy Hash Monday said that all businesses here had agreed to close Christmas Day and on Monday as well. All stores have agreed to take two days on New Years, that is, Sunday and Monday. Folks are urged to keep the above closing dates in mind.

### Eagles Enjoy Banquet

The O'Donnell Eagle's annual football banquet was held Monday night in the school lunchroom. The mothers of the football players sponsored the event. Master of Ceremonies was the Eagle captain for 1955, Travis Pearce, Senior. Freddy James, gave the welcoming speech, and J. T. Forbes responded. The Dads of the football boys were honored as special guests. After a meal of baked ham, English peas, baked potatoes, toasted French bread, fruit cocktail and chocolate pie, the M. C. called upon several of the guests for talks. Donna Vestal and Patsy Young sang several songs immediately after the talks.

Each football player was introduced by head coach, Clyde Blair, and gifts of dress jackets were presented to both coaches by Travis Pearce. Mrs. Bolch was presented with a gift by the pep squad. Supt. W. A. Skinner introduced the guest speaker, "Goober" Keyes of Lubbock. Mr. Keyes formerly coached the Lubbock High Westerners to a state championship.

### O.E.S. Honors Masons

Members of O'Donnell Chapter No 725 Order of the Eastern Star entertained the Master Masons and their wives with a dinner at the Masonic Hall on Dec. 15 at 7:30. Linda Kay Sumrall, Mary Ann Farrington, Emily John Jolly and Ell's Ed Treadway gave readings about Christmas. Jan Hardberger presented a piano solo. A quartet composed of Oma Lee Doss, Alta Line, Mary Peltis, Leslie Brewer, Wanda McLaurin, and Ruth Jolly sang several Christmas carols assisted at the piano by Roddy Doss. After the program gifts were exchanged from a beautiful silver Christmas tree.

More than 60 guests and members were present.

### DEPUTY GRAND MATRON VISITS LOCAL O. E. S.

O'Donnell Chapter No. 725 Order of the Eastern Star met in a stated meeting last Monday nite with Mary Peltis, Worthy Matron and W. J. Shook, Worthy Patron, presiding. Deputy Grand Matron Billie Cooanough and Mrs. Mildred Basinger of Lubbock visited the chapter. After the close of chapter, sandwiches, cake and coffee were served to members and guests in the dining room.

### CHURCH PARTY ENJOYED

The Primary Department of the First Baptist Church had their Christmas party at the Church Thursday afternoon at three. Most of the children were there and all of the seven officers and teachers were present. Gifts were exchanged and oranges and apples were taken to some friends.

### To Show New Car

Friday and Saturday Forbes Motor Co. will hold open house showing the new line of Mercury cars. The firm was recently appointed as a dealer here.

### O'Donnell Farmers Co-op Gin and Elevator will be Closed from Dec. 24th thru Dec. 26th

### Merry Christmas To All

J. W. Martin

### Folks You Know

See large selection of Cameras and Camera sets at Lott Pharmacy

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Treadway will spend Christmas at Lexington

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Line will spend holidays at Corpus Christi.

Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Smith, jr. and family will spend holidays at Giddings.

Supt. and Mrs. Weldon Skinner will visit at Dallas during the vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Holcomb and son will visit at Gatesville over the holidays.

The District 9 Worker's Conference met Tuesday, Dec. 20th at Petersburg.

Sunday nite at First Baptist Church the Christmas Anthem was presented. Mr. Wells is the Choir director.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Robertson of Plains visited here Saturday.

Buster Henry flew to San Angelo Sunday.

Mrs. Effie Bazier suffered a broken foot one day last week in Lubbock.

Mr and Mrs Roy Gibson of Denver City spent week end here

Mr and Mrs. A. H. Boales of Denver City visited in the Cap Boales home Saturday.

Mr and Mrs. Cecil Pearce and Travis and Mr and Mrs. Kenneth Fannon and Donna Rogers visited in San Angelo Sunday.

Mrs. Turner, mother of Mrs. Shag Garrett, and of Santa Anna, and Dr. and Mrs. Garrett of El Paso spent the week end in the Garrett home.

Bobbie Hare, son of Mr and Mrs Roy Hare returned home Wednesday with his discharge from the Navy.

Prince Gardner bill folds and Princess Gardner Billfolds at Lott Pharmacy.

The 7th grade had their Christmas party Monday nite at the Fellowship hall of Methodist Church

HOSTS GOOD NEIGHBOR CLUB AT CHRISTMAS DINNER

The Good Neighbor Club of the Harmony Community met at Mrs. Fred Uech's home Thursday for a Christmas dinner. Club members and husbands present numbered twenty two. After dinner the group exchanged Christmas gifts.

The Club welcomes Mrs. Billy Hardberger as a new member.

The next club meeting will be with Mrs. Dick Harris Jan. 5th

### MR. O'DONNELL DOES IT AGAIN

Here's something in the way of an unusual story here at Christmas time.

Each December George O'Donnell of Beacon, New York mails a package of Christmas cards addressed to his friends, to the O'Donnell, Texas Postmaster, to bear the O'Donnell cancelling mark.

As an added twist to the Christmas tale, Mr. O'Donnell visited the local post office staff a few years ago enroute home from visiting the Carlsbad Caverns. Mr. O'Donnell is a merchant in Beacon.

Our town is the only one in the nation bearing the name "O'Donnell".

From a good Irish Western town to a good Yankee Irishman we say "MERRY CHRISTMAS"

We will close after business on Christmas Eve Nite for the holidays. Please pick up your packages on or before that date. LOTT PHARMACY

### Recital Is Given

Mrs. Lucille Barnes presented her music students in a recital Saturday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock in the Elementary school building. Those participating included the following:

Jimmy Gay Gardenhire, Jolene Bolch, Janie Barnes, Kerry Barnes, Lyndal Askew, Donna Sue Jackson, Bienna Layne Askew, Helen Utecht, Gustene Sherrell, Joe Ray Cathey, Carolyn Reed, Jo Ann Lacy, Kay Cabbiness, Laphaine Greenlee, Sharon Morrison, Marcheta Wood, Mary Beth Gardenhire and Patsy Young.

### POSTAL EXAM SET HERE

Civil Service has announced examinations for Substitute Clerk Carrier at \$1.82 per hour for employment in local post office. Get more information at post office.

### CHRISTMAS CLASS PARTIES

Friday nite the Junior Class had their Christmas party at Price Seeley's home.

Monday nite the Senior Class had their party at the Legion Hall. The Sophomore class had their party at the school lunchroom and the Freshman class had their party at the school gym.

### Mrs. Forbes Hosts Club

Mrs. J. T. Forbes was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club's annual Christmas dinner Thursday nite. Turkey and all the trimmings were served buffet style and gifts were exchanged.

At bridge Mrs. L. G. Schuessler won high score. Mrs. J. T. Middleton won second high and Mrs. Zane Harris won bingo. Others present were Madams: Wayland Taylor, J. V. Burdett, Jr., James Bowlin, Joe Lehman, O. G. Smith, Jr., L. L. Birdwell, Johnny Billingsley, W. E. Singleton, Jr., C. N. Hoffman, Glen Gibson, Sam Singleton, Ralph Beach, Paul Mansell, Clyde Winans and Hugh Lott. Mrs. Lott will be hostess at the next meeting Jan. 5th.

Joe Palmer, formerly of here and son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Palmer of Draw, is now married and teaching school at White River, Ariz. He graduated from high school here, served two years in the Army and graduated last spring from Silver City State College, N. M.

Mr and Mrs. Van Zant attended the Garland and Port Neches play off game Saturday at Garland. Their grandson, Lance Van Zant was a star on the winning Port Neches team for State AAA title.

### NEW BANK HOURS EFFECTIVE THIS DATE THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK WILL CLOSE ON SATURDAYS AT NOON THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF O'DONNELL

There will be a broiler meeting in O'Donnell on Jan. 9th. Bill Griffith, County Agent of Lynn Co. will be present and have as his guest speaker Mr. Beamblossom of College Station. Leroy Colgan, County Agent of Dawson County, will also be present as the meeting is a joint one for Lynn and Dawson County farmers. Mr. Beamblossom will discuss "Marketing" and methods of improving the broiler industry. Every farmer in the area is urged to be present.

### Brother Dies

Funeral services for Tom Hodnett, 84, who died Saturday, were held Sunday at the Baptist Church of Rising Star. Attending from her was a sister, Mrs. Henry Harris and two nephews Mr and Mrs. Dick Harris and daughter and Mr and Mrs. Truett Hodnett.

### Christmas Party Given

The O'Donnell HDC celebrated their annual Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Jack Kay. The house was beautifully decorated in the traditional holiday theme. After the social hour of Christmas readings and games and gifts were exchanged, refreshment plates of fruit cake, mints, coffee and cakes were served to ten members and one visitor, Miss Wanda Roach. The first meeting for the new year will be in the home of Mrs. Snellgrove the first Tuesday in January.

### Milk Has Two Faces

Milk is both saint and sinner among human foods, the State Health Department said today in a statement favoring compulsory pasteurization of all milk offered for public sale.

The statement was directed to cities planning milk ordinances or milk production codes.

Said the Department: "Milk is the best single food available for human consumption, and also one of the most dangerous—unless it is handled right."

"Milk contains the essentials of a balanced diet. It is rich in vitamins. It has an especially good quality of protein and fat, and a high content of readily usable calcium."

"But unless it is pasteurized, it might also contain germs of tuberculosis, typhoid and paratyphoid fevers, gastro-enteritis, diphtheria, streptococcal infections, undulant fever, foot and mouth disease, diarrhea, dysentery, and perhaps even polio."

Pasteurization means holding milk at a temperature of 143 degrees Fahrenheit for 30 minutes or at 161 degrees for 15 seconds.

### Broiler Meeting Set

Mrs. M. Willeman and baby of Dallas is visiting her mother, Mrs. James Mott.



selection of Men's shaving Lott Pharmacy, Stag, King's Men and Old Spice at LOTT'S

Mr. and Mrs. Rodger Line and Mrs. J. W. Shook visited here over the week end.

Miss Dan Griffin finished basic training at the San Antonio AFB and is home on furlough. He will be on duty in Tennessee after the holidays.

Pennington of Air Force is home for holidays.

FHA girls had refreshments in the home of Mr and Mrs. Truett Hodnett Wednesday nite after caroling.

bedroom for rent and a 3 room apartment with half bath for Mrs. Ruth Schooler 2tp

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**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 cruciform 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 Christmas.



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-buena, 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 thorns was plaited from the holly, the white berries turning red like 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.

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The practice of holding "open house" has been a Christmas tradition through the years.

The Saxon lords threw open the doors of their great halls to peasant and noble alike during the festive season and all enjoyed a great feasting, songs and the exchange of gifts. A tremendous Yule log was dragged upon an open fire pit and festivities lasted until the embers alone remained.

The same custom was followed in the pre-Civil War South. The slaves often soaked a log in the cypress swamps long before Christmas so that it would burn slowly, and extend their Christmas freedom.

"Open House" during the Yuletide season is a true mark of democracy.

**Cowboy's Party Is Real American Fete**

One of the most typical of our American holiday celebrations is the Cowboy's Christmas Ball, which has been held almost every year since 1884 in the small town of Anson, Texas.

The celebration started as a wedding party in the old Star Hotel when ranchers poured in from the widely scattered ranges to honor one Cross P. Charley and his bride. It was such a success that it was repeated year after year.

Christmas Eve brought the spirit of the old West to Anson. Cowboys donned their colorful dress, their gay shirts and decorated boots. Cowgirls outfitted themselves in gingham dresses "like mother wore". A cowboy band swung out and the dancers perform the heel and toe polka, the Varsouvienne, and other old folk dances.

**Origin of Symbolic Tree Shrouded in Old Legends**

The origin of the Christmas tree symbol is shrouded in legends that reach back to the period of Druid tree worship long before the advent of Christianity. Credit for tree decoration and gift-giving, however, is generally given to Germany, where the customs were started in the 16th or 17th centuries. Over a period of years the practice spread into northern Europe and from there to America.

Outside tree decorating is essentially an American trademark and a special feature of community spirit. The best known outside displays in America are on the White House lawn and at the Rockefeller Plaza in New York City.



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**Bethlehem Rites Feature March To Nativity Cave**

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

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

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

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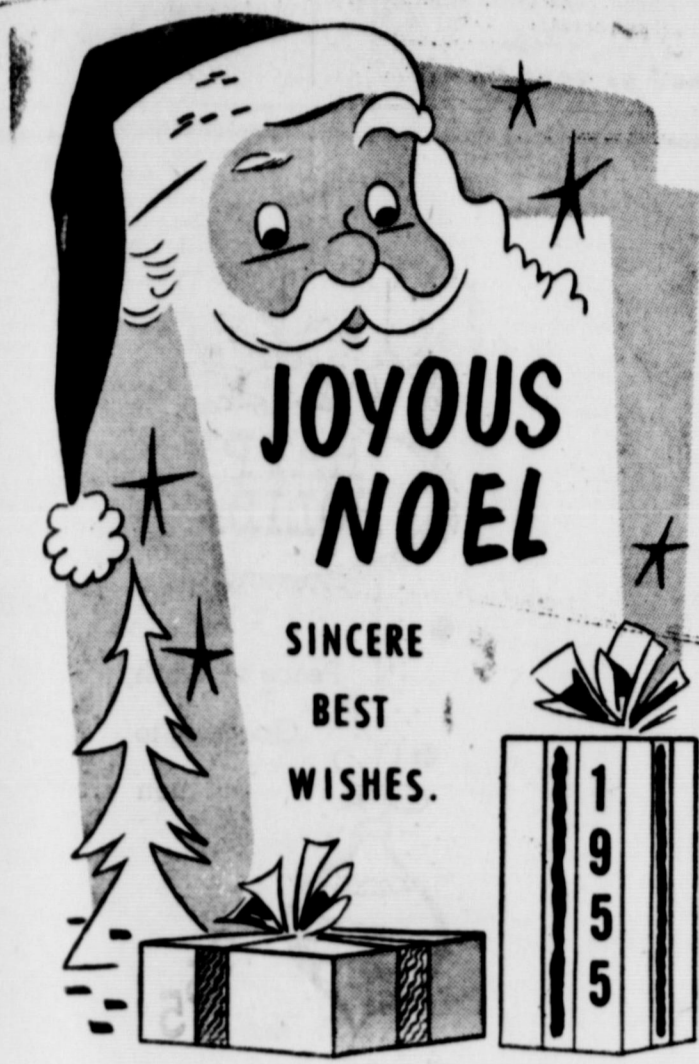
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**SHIRT-SLEEVED SANTA . . .** It's not a common subject for discussion, but Santa Claus sometimes does take off his coat and just lounge around in his beard and shirtsleeves. However, this is not standard procedure, and it's mighty few Santas you see sitting on a park bench in New York.



**DEVOTION . . .** Christmas is not so much a time of receiving as it is a time for giving. These children, in their prayers, are giving by far the best gift of them all—themselves.

A Marion county farmer used cottonseed meal to fertilize his crop of ribbon cane. He used \$35 worth of meal to the acre and is getting an estimated 500 gallons of ribbon cane syrup from each of his three acres.

See that your news gets to your home town paper

## "Greetings by Mail" Originated in 1846, Now a Modern Custom

Look at the paintings on the Christmas cards you send and receive — you'll find famous names and some of the best contemporary art. Here is how it all began.

On a December day in 1846, a middleclass Englishman, Henry Cole, sat at the library desk of his London home addressing to his friends what were probably the first Christmas cards ever printed. The cards depicted a Victorian family assembled at the festive board and the traditional Christmas customs of giving to the poor. They also bore the now-classic greeting: "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you."

Cole, in a historic move, two months before had commissioned John Calcott Horsley, a Royal



Academy artist, to paint the illustration for the card and had struck off a thousand lithographed copies. He dispatched them that December. This was such a markedly successful stroke of good will that plain Henry Cole subsequently became Sir Henry Cole.

Horsley's art was a far cry from today's Christmas card paintings, but he started a cycle which a hundred years later was to bring fine art into high favor on Christmas cards.

An American shopping for cards may select, for instance, a painting called "Snow Under the Arch" by another Royal Academy member—Winston Churchill. Britain's wartime prime minister and famed amateur artist. Or he might choose Peter Hurd's "One Night in Winter" or "Grandma" Moses' "The White Church" or "The Nativity" by Alexander Ross.

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**CHRISTMAS**



We hope your holiday packages are filled with great joy.

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**Tell the truth about Santa**

Among the myriad problems which beset parents at Christmas time are the many questions from the small fry about Santa Claus. And the business of telling Junior or his little sister the truth about the jolly old gentleman in the red suit is really a major task.

However, the situation is bound to arise, and when it does, it does something to your heart strings—so you draw the little ones close and cast about for the best explanation.

Oddly enough, the true story is best—and the easiest to tell. So why not just tell the little ones this?

St. Nicholas (or Nicolas) is Santa Claus' real name. He lived in Asia Minor and was the beloved bishop of the Greek church of Myra in Lycia. He is the patron saint of the young, and in some European countries a person dressed as a bishop still assembles the children and distributes gifts of nuts, sweetmeats and other nice things to the good boys and girls.

Children loved St. Nicholas and trudged along beside him as he trudged the dusty roads of the Lycia countryside, bringing fruit and candy to the sick and needy.

One of many stories told of his goodness concerns a poor and honest man and his three good and beautiful daughters. The father was unhappy for poverty prevented his giving the customary dowries to his daughters, and for this reason they could never have suitable husbands.

One night a bag of coins was tossed in at the man's window. The next night the act was repeated. But on the third night the father watched, and the anonymous giver was detected. The jolly bishop stood with the third bag of coins in his hands. The father was very proud and would not accept the money. The good bishop begged the poor man to accept the gifts and use them for his daughters' dowries, requesting that his name never be revealed.

At last, the father accepted the money for his daughters, but he could not keep the name of the generous bishop secret—so the legend of the goodness of St. Nicholas was further spread and strengthened.

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**Custom of 'Pinata', Observed in Mexico, Is Spreading to U.S.**

The pinata, Christmas custom so long observed by the happy children of Mexico, is gradually spreading into the United States.

Although it performs year-round duty in the land south of the border, the pinata is busiest during the Mexican Christian festival that lasts from December 16 to January 6. In America, it is used in various parts of the country only at Christmas time.

The pinata is made of thin, fragile clay, and is filled with sweetmeats and trinkets before being suspended from the ceiling.

Each of the guests, not always only just children—is blindfolded and given a stick. The object is to swing the sticks overhead until someone shatters the pinata, sending the delicious contents pouring out, whence a mad scramble takes place for the spoils.

The pinata is a great aid in making the long Christmas season tolerable for Mexican children. Tradition decrees that they must wait until the final day of the 21-day Christmas season to receive their gifts.

**Christmas Was Once Holiday That Moved About on Calendar**

Christmas was once a movable feast. The eastern branches of the Christian church usually celebrated it in April or May, Western Europe sometime in January.

In 337 A.D., St. Cyril, bishop of Jerusalem, set out to make the date universal. With the permission of Pope Junius I, he appointed a commission to determine, if possible, the precise date of Christ's nativity. The theologians of the Church finally agreed upon December 25, and since the year 354 this date has been celebrated.

Members of the Greek, Russian and Ukrainian Orthodox churches in the 20th century observed the date of January 7, because they use the Julian calendar, which lists December 25 on that date by our calendar.

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If the poultry flock is to be comfortable during the winter months their housing must be properly ventilated. Panels made of glass substitute are recommended covers for all outer wall openings in the poultry house. Hinge them so they can be opened on warm days and adjusted for proper weather ventilation.

Send us your NEWS



**HAPPY HOLIDAY**


Peace on earth,  
Goodwill to  
all men

1955

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With cooling, their motion is slowed, they exert less pressure, and the volume of gas gets smaller. Something similar occurs in a liquid, and also in a solid, although the molecules are held more tightly together. The amount which a solid expands for the same rise in temperature is considerably less than with a gas or liquid.

**Church Of Christ**

V. J. Cullum, Minister

Sunday  
Bible School 10:00 a. m.  
Worship, 10:45 a. m.  
Men's Class, 6:00 p. m.  
Young People's meeting 6:30 p. m.  
Worship, 7:00 p. m.  
Tuesday: Ladies Bible Class, 9:30 a. m.  
Wednesday: Worship and Bible Study, 7:30 p. m.

**KBUB -- TV: Ch. 13**

Saturday  
11:25 Program Previews  
11:30 Industry On Parade  
11:45 Pre-game Warmup  
11:55 Ball Game  
2:15 Championship Bowling  
3:15 Kentucky Derby  
3:45 California Wrestling  
4:30 Ramar of the Jungle  
5:00 Buffalo Bill, Jr.  
5:30 Beat The Clock  
6:00 Jackie Gleason  
7:00 Two For The Money  
7:30 Eddie Cantor  
8:00 Professional Father  
8:30 City Detective  
9:00 Chicago Wrestling  
10:00 Chronoscope  
10:15 Half Past Midnight  
Sunday  
10:40 Church Service  
12:00 Facts Forum  
12:30 Be Plus Ten  
1:30 Let's Take A Trip  
2:00 What Is The Answer  
2:30 This Is The Life  
3:00 Adventure  
3:30 Hank McCune  
4:00 Plains Talk  
4:15 Sunday Funnies  
4:30 You Are There  
5:00 The Passerby  
5:15 Huntin' and Fishin' Club  
5:30 Jack Benny and Private Secretary on Alt. Weks  
6:00 Toast Of The Town  
7:00 G E Theater  
7:30 Stage Seven  
8:00 Appointment With Adventure  
8:30 Follow That Man  
9:00 Famous Playhouse  
9:30 Amos 'N Andy  
10:00 News  
10:15 Drew Pearson  
10:30 Fighting Back  
Monday  
6:45 Advance Weathercast  
7:00 The Morning Show  
7:25 News  
7:30 The Morning Show

7:55 Weather  
8:00 Garry Moore  
8:30 Morning Movie  
9:30 Bandstand  
9:45 TV Sermonette  
10:00 Vallant Lady  
10:15 Love Of Life  
10:30 Search For Tomorrow  
11:00 Songs From Country Chapel  
10:45 Stop, Look And Listen  
11:15 Road Of Life  
11:30 Welcome Travelers  
12:00 Noon News  
12:15 Swap Shop  
12:30 Swap Shop  
1:00 Movie Matinee  
2:00 Brighter Day  
2:15 Secret Storm  
2:30 On Your Account  
3:00 Recipe Round-up  
3:30 Western Movie  
4:30 B-Bar Ranch  
4:45 Captain Video  
5:00 Flash Gordon  
5:30 World News  
5:45 Local News, Sports, Weather  
6:00 Burns And Allen  
6:30 Community Crossroads  
6:45 Cowboy Joe  
7:00 I Love Lucy  
7:30 December Bride  
8:00 Studio One  
9:00 Alpine Playhouse  
9:30 Racket Squad  
10:00 News, Sports And Weather  
10:15 Jules Strongbow Presents  
10:30 Wrestling Workouts  
Tuesday  
Same as Monday thru 5:45 p. m. except following  
9:30 Hairdresser Hi-lites  
6:00 Community Crossroads  
6:30 Halls Of Ivy  
7:00 Meet Millie  
7:30 Florian Zabach  
8:00 Danger  
8:30 Guess What?  
9:00 Life With Elizabeth  
9:30 Circle 13  
10:00 News, Sports, Weather  
Wednesday  
Same as Monday thru 5:45 p. m. except following

12:15 Swap Shop  
12:30 Movie Matinee  
1:30 Bob Crosby  
1:45 Notes Of Harmony  
6:00 Arthur Godfrey  
7:00 The Millionaire  
7:30 I've Got A Secret  
8:00 Guy Lombardo  
8:30 Bishop Sheen  
9:00 Man Behind The Badge  
9:30 Mr. and Mrs. North  
10:00 News, Sports, Weather  
10:15 Wanted For Murder  
Thursday  
Same as Monday thru 5:45 p. m. except following  
3:30 Beauty School Of The Air  
3:45 Western Movie  
4:45 B-Bar Ranch  
5:00 Captain Video  
5:15 Flash Gordon  
6:00 Betty Martin Show  
6:15 Community Crossroads  
6:30 Shower Of Stars  
7:30 Tele-Sports Digest  
8:00 Public Defender  
8:30 Willy  
9:00 Paramount Wrestling  
10:00 News, Sports, Weather  
10:15 South Plains Forum  
10:45 Mark Saber  
Friday  
Same as Monday thru 5:45 p. m. except following  
12:15 Club Day  
12:45 Houseparty  
6:00 Community Crossroads  
6:15 Plains Co-op Farm News  
6:30 Topper  
7:00 This Is Your Music  
7:30 Our Miss Brooks  
8:00 The Line-up  
8:30 Liberace  
9:00 Grand Ole Opry  
9:30 Ames Brothers  
9:45 Jo Stafford  
10:00 News, Sports, Weather

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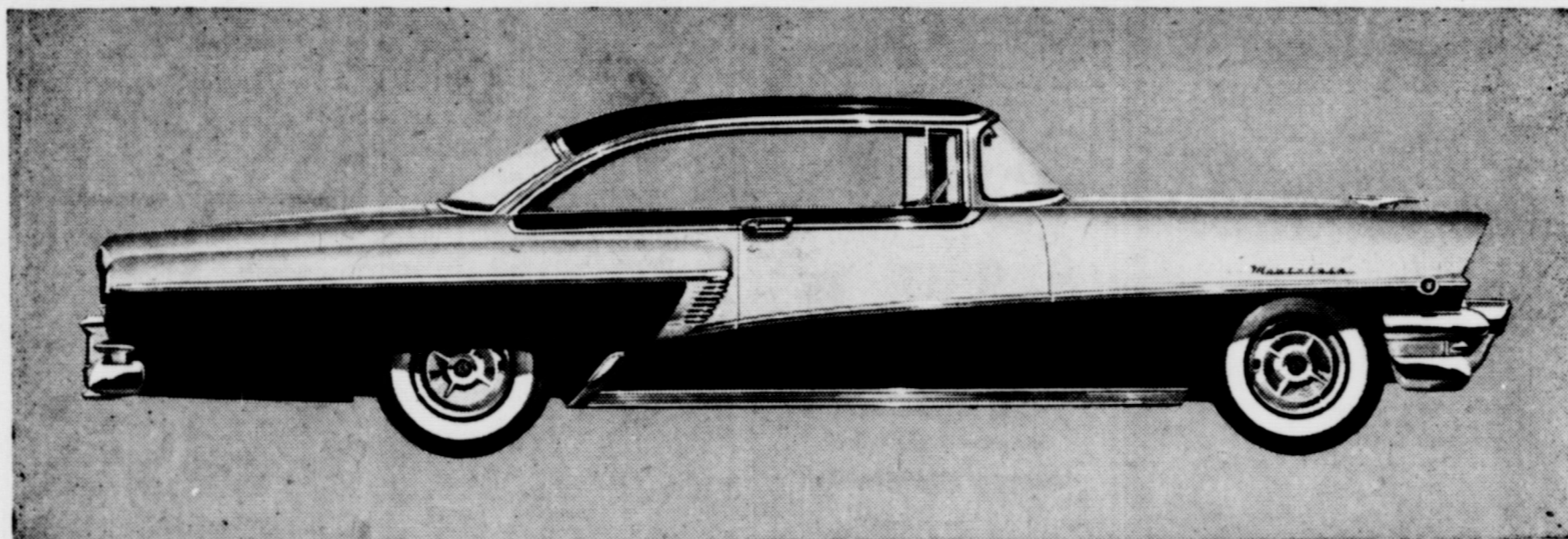
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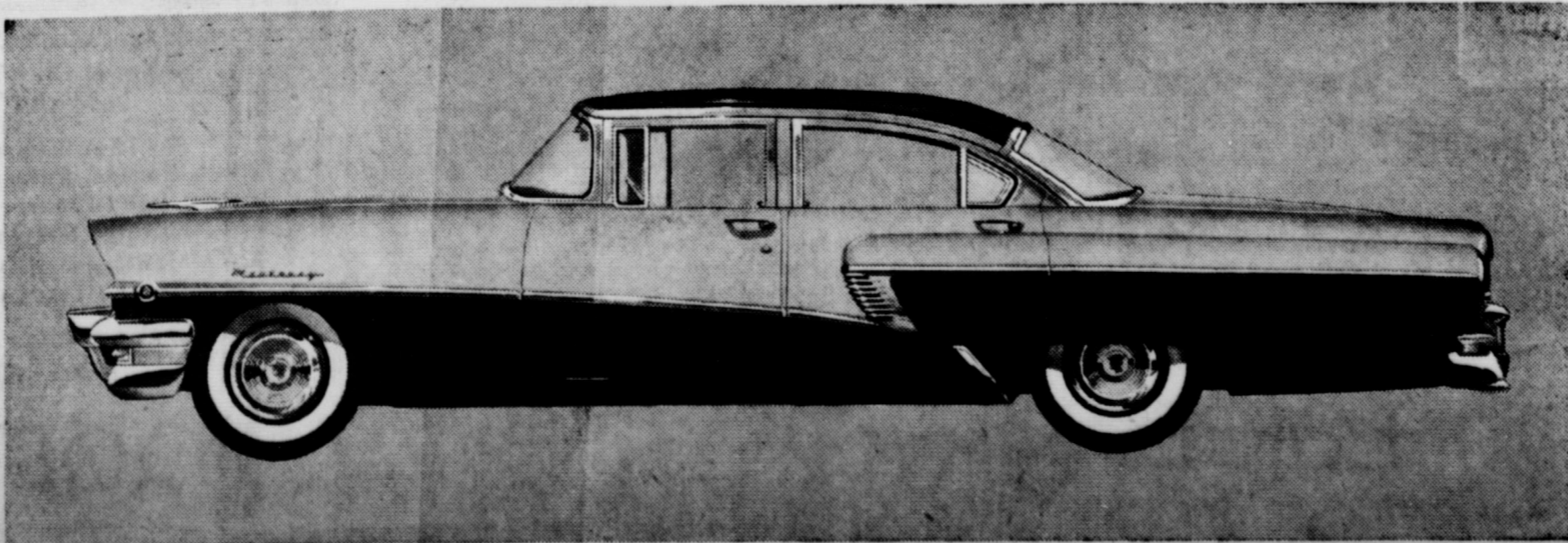
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**KEEPING CHRISTMAS**

by Henry Van Dyke

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

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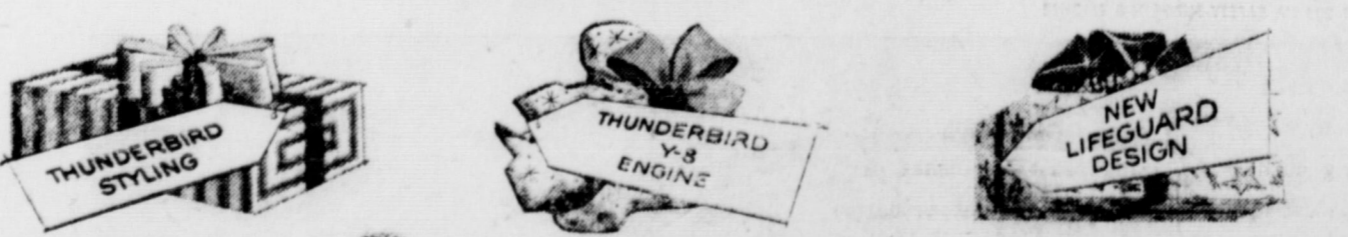
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The picture of the family united, presents opened, and children engaged in the joyousness of Christmas's greatest emotion is still, and will remain the Christmas story.

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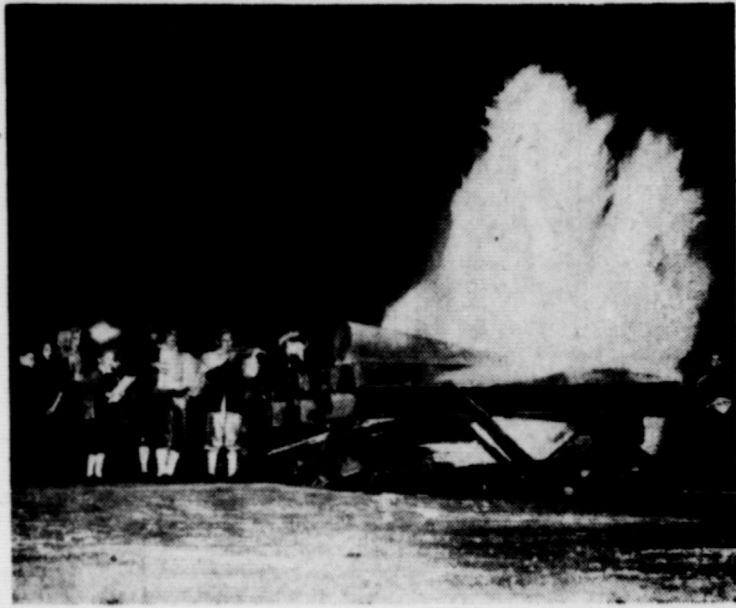
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**Mistletoe Bestows Good Fortune**

VERY few people don't know what a sprig of mistletoe means at Christmas time—especially when there's a pretty girl standing beneath it! But few people realize that this very pleasant custom has its root in age-old superstitions. The lore of primitive days contains many references to mistletoe. According to an ancient Norse legend, the sun god was slain by an arrow fashioned from the mistletoe plant. He was resurrected by his mother's tears, which falling upon the plant, were crystallized into pearly berries. Because of this magical healing, it was ordained that mistletoe should grow neither on heaven nor earth, but suspended between. That is the reason, runs the legend, that

mistletoe is found growing on trees. Mistletoe was of special significance to the Druids, ancient pagan priests of England, who cut it off trees with a golden knife used only for that purpose. They believed it possessed wonderful powers of healing and acted as a protection from witchcraft. During the December religious rites, it was bestowed upon individuals as a special mark of honor. Because of its supposed salutary properties, mistletoe was often hung over the doors of primitive houses as a sign of good-will. Belief in magic has disappeared, but this custom still remains. And a kiss under the mistletoe still has beneficial effects. Try it and see for yourself!



**TIME FOR CAROLS . . .** Men, women and children from Protestant churches blend their voices in carol singing before the blazing Yule log. This Christmas Eve custom is becoming increasingly popular throughout the country.

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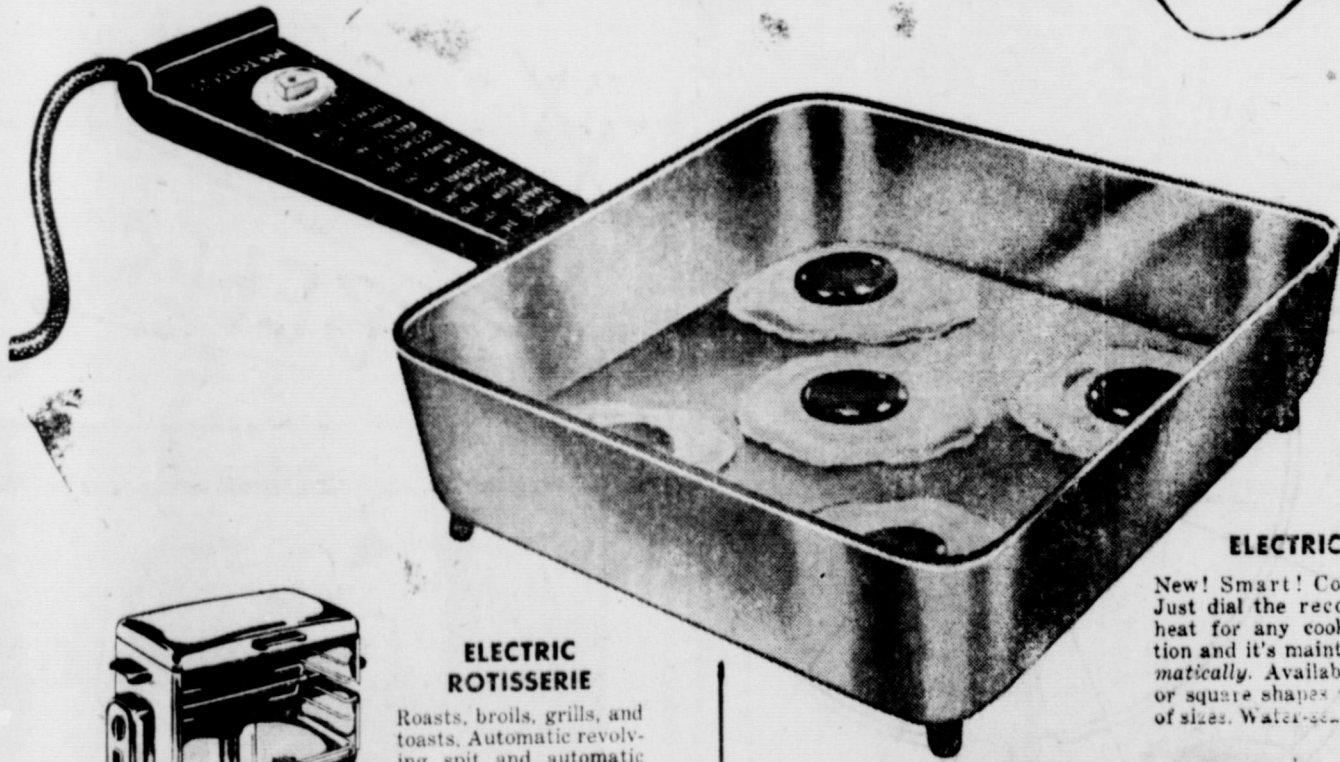
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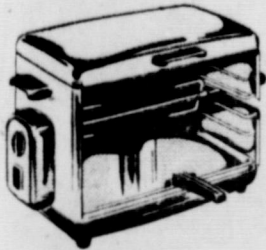


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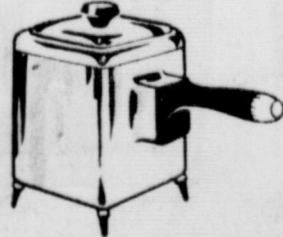
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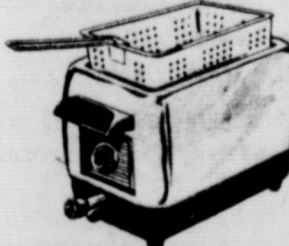
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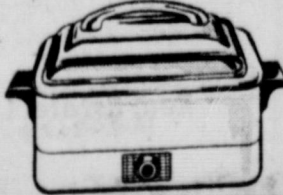
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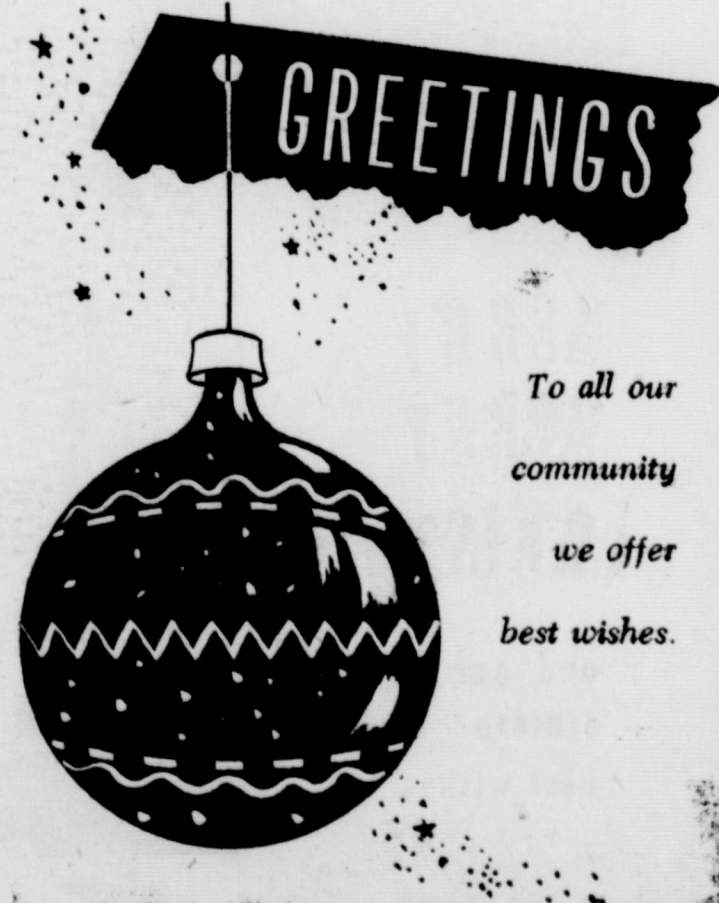


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### Interesting Job? Santa's Beats All At This Season

WHO HAS ONE of the most interesting jobs this time of year? That's easy. It's Santa. The rotund gentleman hiding behind the red ensemble and the flowing white beard learns a great deal about the nature of humans, especially children, at this time of year. However, after receiving thousands of letters from all over the



country, and talking to thousands of youngsters on street corners and in department stores. Santa usually comes to the same conclusion each year. Times and customs change, but children seldom do.

Requests that Santa receives follow a general pattern each year—everything from bicycles to roller skates and cowboy suits for boys, with dolls and elaborate accessories the favorite with the girls.

There are some exceptions. Lots of children make requests for useful items, typewriters and such, in the hope of becoming writers and stenographers. Last year one lad asked for a Bengal tiger.

Santa, understanding human that he must be, promises to fill all the requests that he can and explains tenderly why there are some that are out of reach.

### St. Nicholas Possessed Of Great Virtue, Piety

Saint Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, was said to have been a saint of great virtue and piety.

An ancient legend is told that he became the patron saint of school boys when he restored to life the sons of a rich Asiatic, who had been murdered by a robber-innkeeper while they were enroute to school in Athens. It is said that he was warned of the crime in a vision, but was unable to reach the inn in time to prevent the murders. He restored the boys to life through prayers and also forced the murderer to confess his crime to authorities.

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### Bethlehem Rites Feature March To Nativity Cave

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

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

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

### Broiler Meeting Set

There will be a broiler meeting in O'Donnell on Jan. 9th. Bill Griffith, County Agent of Lynn Co. will be present and have as his guest speaker Mr. Beamblossom of College Station. Leroy Colgan, County Agent of Dawson County, will also be present as the meeting is a joint one for Lynn and Dawson County farmers. Mr. Beamblossom will discuss "Marketing" and methods of improving the broiler industry. Every farmer in the area is urged to be present.

I have several boxes of Christmas Cards on hand that are very nice. I would appreciate you looking at them if you need more cards before Christmas. I will have them at the Assembly of God parsonage. Thanks, Mrs. H. C. Lotts

## Greetings



May your Christmas be  
'merry and bright' ...

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## Christmas Quotes

"Christmas is the time you decide to pay your doctor something on account. You know you will need him the day after."

-Walter Pulitzer.

"What do people mean by sending you a dozen Christmas cards during the festive season, and not deigning to send you three lines by way of a letter the rest of the year?"

-J. Ashby-Sterry.

"At every Christmas party, just as things are beginning to get good, someone shuts his eyes, puts his head back and moans softly: 'Ah, well, this isn't like the good old days. We don't seem to have any good old-fashioned Christmases any more.'"

-Robert Benchley.

### Christmas: 'Good Time; A Kind, Forgiving Time'

Charles Dickens once referred to Christmas as "a good time; a kind, forgiving, charitable, pleasant time." This is an adequate description of the Christmas spirit. Why not make this an old-fashioned Christmas?

Elaborately planned parties, those great time-takers, should not be a part of the Christmas scene. A homey, hospitable get-together will create an atmosphere in which everyone can relax.

Since Christmas is really "the children's hour", why not give them a greater part in preparing for the day? Children will get more delight from helping prepare and decorate the tree than in seeing only the finished product.

### Small Amount of Plant Food Will Keep Needles on Tree

If you have the type of a tree-holder that permits the tree trunk to rest in water, you will find that a small amount of plant food dissolved in the water will aid in retaining the needles on the tree, and keep the needles green. If you use a pebble or rock-filled pail to support the tree, cover the pebbles or rock with a plant food solution.

Use one teaspoonful of plant food, powdered form, to each gallon of water in the container, or use one plant food tablet to each gallon of water.

## United States Top Buyer and Supplier In Tree Industry

The United States is the world's leading source of supply as well as the top buyer in the Christmas tree industry—a better than \$50,000,000 business.

The majority of our Christmas trees come from New England, New York and Pennsylvania, the north Middlewest, and the Northeast Pacific regions. In recent years, New Jersey has annually marketed around 100,000 trees for local use.

Most of the trees for Christmas sales are cut early in the fall and the trees are kept green with plenty of water until shipped to distribution centers.

Some mass producers, however, cut trees early in the new year, and treat them with preservatives and coloring solutions for storage in chilled warehouses.

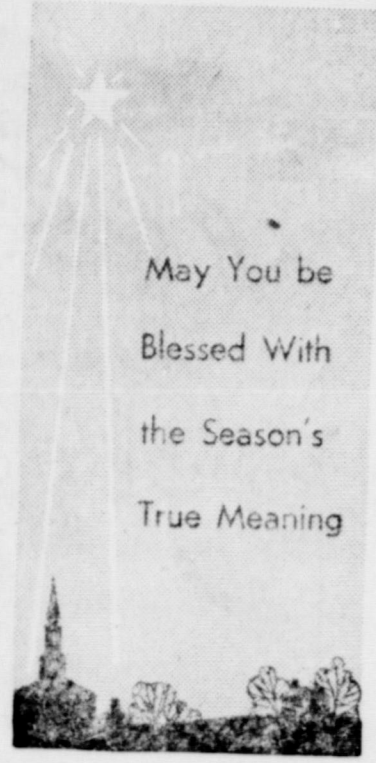
### 'Snadragon' Popular

A game called "snadragon" was very popular at Christmas time in England more than 200 years ago. To a limited extent it is still played in some parts of England, as well as in America.

The original game called for a quantity of raisins to be deposited in a large bowl or dish. Brandy or some other spirit was then poured over the fruit and ignited. At a given signal, the participants attempt to snatch a raisin from the blazing bowl.



SECRETS . . . This little girl wants something for Christmas, but she's not telling anyone except Santa Claus, who looks like he understands the problem.



May You be  
Blessed With  
the Season's  
True Meaning

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BETHLEHEM  
The Church of the Nativity

## Everyone Wants To See Just One 'Good Old' Yule

"How I would long to see just one more 'old-fashioned Christmas!'"

These are familiar words at this time of the year. Before the Yuletide season is over, some member of the family, grandfather or grandmother, probably, is certain to pass that remark, as they have done each Christmas of the past.

And yet, if we search back into the records . . . to the turn of the century, say . . . we find that, even then, someone was wishing for "an old-fashioned Christmas." It is then that we realize that the celebration of the birth of Christ has not changed greatly with the passage of centuries. Basically, Christmas is the same, year after year. It is only the world and the people who are not the same.

He may not admit it, but when grandfather first began to raise a family, he overheard his elders muttering over the changing Christmas customs and heralding the approach to "complete commercialism" of the Yuletide celebration. Even then they were worried.

No one can deny that Christmas has been greatly "commercialized" since the days of early America. Yet, so has the entire nation. In the days of our ancestors there were none of the vast trading centers and commercial marts that we know today. Our very way of life has been greatly changed with modernization. Our holidays, and Christmas is the principal one, have managed to keep abreast.

Joe M. Lehman, M. D.

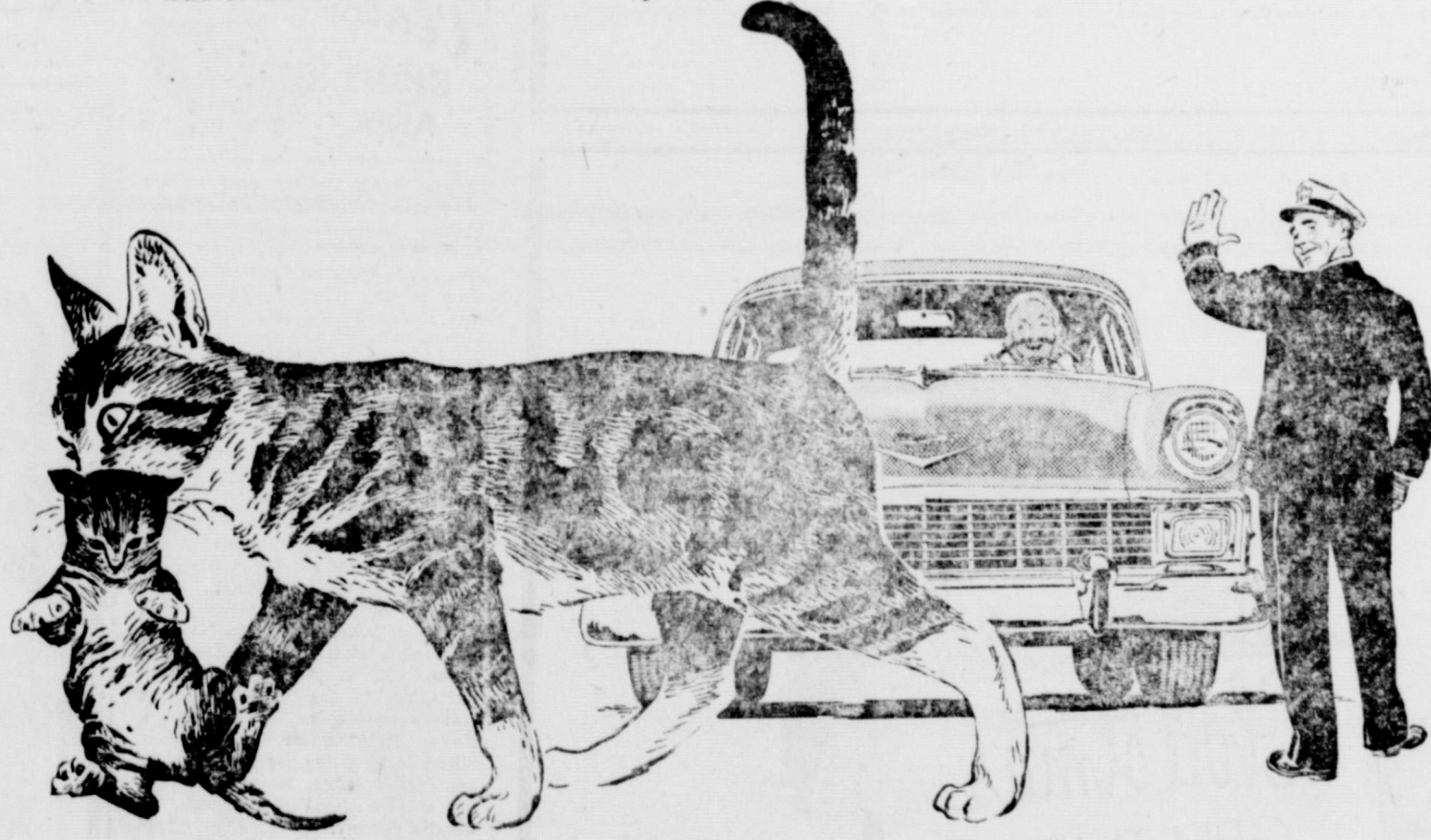
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The first and most important thing is you—the driver. As the highway safety organizations and law enforcement agencies point out, the courtesy, care, and common sense you show count more than anything else. You can drive any car safely — or foolishly.

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Chevrolet engineers and designers have always made your safety a major consideration, introducing many such features as the all-steel top, safety plate glass all around, and windshield-wide defrosters into the low-price field. And this '56 Chevrolet is the safest one ever built.

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Seat belts with or without shoulder harness? Instrument panel padding? Of course, they're available at extra cost on your new Chevrolet. But the best protection of all is to keep out of accidents in the first place. And that depends mostly on you and the built-in safety of your car.

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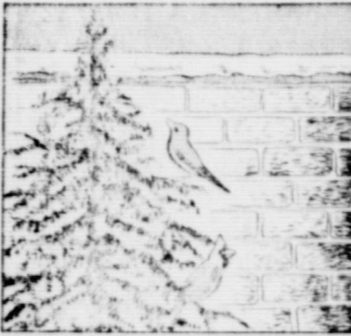
Joe Hromas, Troy Veach, Mrs. Virginia Thompson

**Christmas Trees Can Be Put to Many Uses After New Year's**

There are a number of things you can do with your Christmas tree after New Year's besides burning it.

If it is a fir, for instance, it can be anchored in the back yard—perhaps in a corner of the garden—and used as a bird feeder the remainder of the winter. Pieces of suet and little feed bags may be tied to the branches. A container of water should be placed beneath the tree and kept filled so the birds will have a drink every day.

Or, cut off the branches and place them, curved ends up, over flower beds when the ground is exposed. An evergreen mulch helps prevent the soil from heaving dur-



ing alternate freezes and thaws. Long branches may be built into little lean-tos to protect tender shrubs from sun scald.

The needles of a Christmas tree can be sprinkled beneath acid-loving plants such as laurel, andromeds, rhododendron and blueberries.

If the needles on the tree are still firm, use the branches in an outdoor windowbox. Moisten the soil in the box. Then push the cut ends of the branches down to the bottom and tamp the soil firm around them. This will generally give you greenery all winter.

If you must burn your Christmas tree, don't toss it into a fire-place. Cut off the branches and burn them safely one by one.

And remember, a Christmas tree tossed into the street can become a fire hazard if playful children pick it up and make a bonfire of it in a vacant lot.



**THIS MAY BE** the post office's biggest Christmas. The postmaster general estimates that more Christmas mail—packages and cards—will be handled in 1952 than in any previous year. With this in mind, the post office department has hired extra employees and arranged for use of extra trucks for the holiday period.

The post office is Santa Claus' good right arm. It delivers gifts and greetings throughout the world, and it will do its best to get them there by December 25—if they are mailed on time.

Much Christmas mail going overseas is handled in cooperation with the postal systems of other nations. But in the United States and its possessions, in U. S. -trusted islands in the Pacific and among U. S. servicemen in all parts of the world, delivery of holiday greetings is strictly a United States affair.

The army takes over, through its army post office, for troops serving outside the United States, be they in Germany, Korea, or somewhere on the way.

Best known special Christmas business done by any post office is that of Santa Claus, Indiana.



**HOLY GLASS . . .** This stained window is in the church of Oberndorf, Germany, where the beloved Christmas carol, "Silent Night, Holy Night," was first sung.

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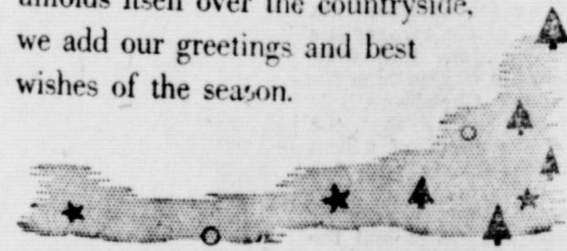


Let us pause  
at this season  
and recall Him  
in peace  
and quiet joy.

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HAPPY  
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As the Spirit of Christmas unfolds itself over the countryside, we add our greetings and best wishes of the season.



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Christmas



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Noel Preparations Started in Norway In Middle of Year

CHRISTMAS just couldn't help being the event of events in Norway when grandmother was a girl.

Without exaggeration, preparation for Christmas actually began six months before December 24. Everything which was used—food, clothing, household furnishings—was prepared in the home. Even the leather for shoes was tanned from hides raised on the homestead.

The cloth for apparel, from the skin out, was woven on hand looms. Cobblers came to the house and made the shoes; dressmakers and tailors came. Everyone in the household had to have a new wardrobe for Christmas and, since tailors and cobblers and dressmakers could not be at all places at once, it was necessary to get an early start.

When the butchering was finished—in October or November—the suet was melted and the candles were made. The children always had a hand in making the little ones for use on the Christmas tree. And they usually made one which had three prongs which, placed at the very top of the tree, represented the three wise men.

The Rose of Christmas Was Young Girl's Gift

THE Christmas rose blooms at an unusual season, from December to March, with white, sometimes pinkly colored blooms. Because of the soft tinge of pink, the flower has been given the name Christmas rose.

Legend tells us that when the Wise Men were journeying toward Bethlehem, they came upon a young girl who was tending her sheep. The girl complained to an angel that she had no gift for the Holy Child, whereupon the entire pathway to Bethlehem was flowered with glistening white Christmas roses.

Madelon, the girl, offered the flowers, and when the fingers of Jesus touched them, they became golden.

CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD

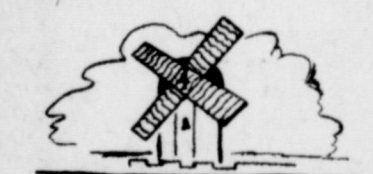
UNITED STATES (Merry Christmas)—Christmas tree, mistletoe and Santa Claus.



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



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



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



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



A Bike Will Be Given Away Free Dec. 24th at 4:30 p. m. at Proctor's Barber Shop. Boys eligible for drawing are ages 6 thru 12 years. Ask your Dad or Friend for their tickets. Joe Proctor

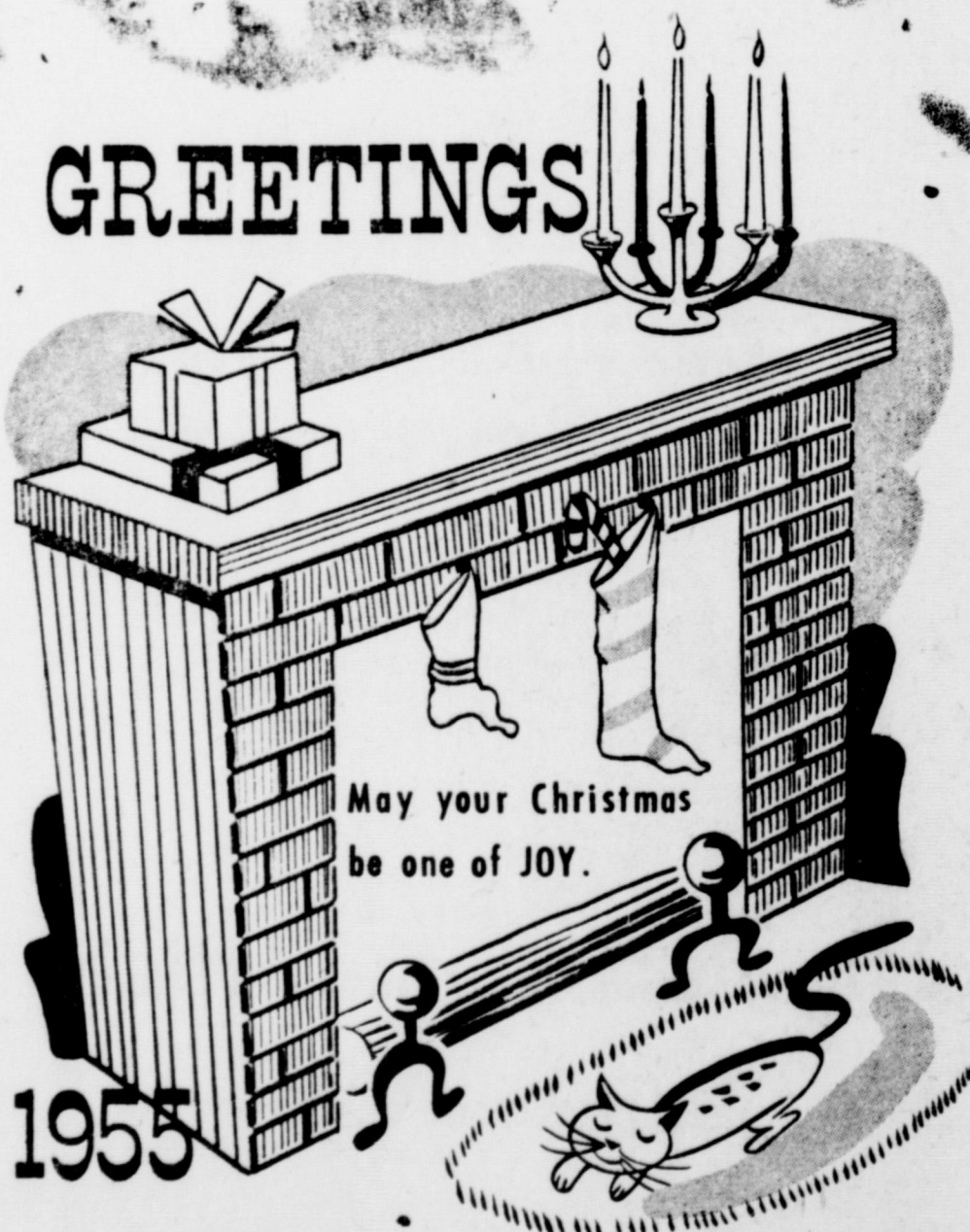
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Merry Christmas

Our song is for your happiness this Yule season.



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Santa's Little Helper Was Scandinavian Elf

Where did Santa's Little Helper come from?

In the Viking age in Scandinavia, long before Leif Eriksen discovered America, the little North Children believed that a little elf with long white whiskers—Jul Tomten—lived in the stable. He saw that the earth was abundant with good food and that the animals and birds were taken care of. After the pagan Vikings became Christianized, little Jul Tomten became the giver of presents—like our Santa Claus today. The children left a bowl of porridge on the kitchen table for which Jul Tomten would exchange gifts for the good boys and girls. Travelers brought back the legend of Tomten and he has come down to us as the busy jolly, good little elf who works in Santa's workshop.



THROUGH THE HOOP Flippy, a trained porpoise at Marine Studios, Fla., gets into the holiday spirit by leaping through a Christmas wreath suspended over the water of his tank.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



Our Very Best to You and Yours . . .

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AT THE NORTH "Y"



PRAYER "O come let us adore him", these children pray on Christmas eve. Their prayer is the true and greatest gift of all.

'Silent Night' Hymn Is Often Called Song From Heaven

"Silent Night" is often called the "Song from Heaven" because the story of its inspiration and composition is one of the most beautiful Christmas stories in existence.

On December 24, 1818, in the Austrian village of Hallein, as Father Joseph Mohr sat reading his Bible, there was a knock at his door. It was a peasant woman who wanted the priest to visit a poor charcoal-maker's wife to whom a child had been born. The parents had sent her to ask the priest to come and bless the infant.

Father Mohr was strangely moved by the visit to the mother. And that evening as he returned to his home saw that the dark slopes of the Alps around the village were



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

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at Christmas

To our customers and to our fellow business Associates, Greetings . . .

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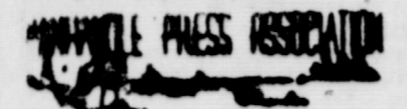


To all our friends we say "Merry Christmas".

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**Naturalized Citizen -  
 That's Our Santa**

Santa Claus as Americans know him is a naturalized American citizen, and as such is America's contribution to the Christmas legend. That's the opinion of Dr. Gustav O. Arlt of the department of Germanic languages on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California.

"The Norwegians who settled early in America brought the first version of the modern Santa Claus, who in Europe had been known as St. Nicholas, but never adequately personally described," said Dr. Arlt.

"When the American Clement Moore described the jolly, rotund gentleman in minute detail in his poem "Twas The Night Before Christmas," he assumed the proportion of living legend and thus became an integral part of Christian legend and folklore," the professor stated.

**Archaeologists' Findings  
 Bear Out Bible Stories**

Archaeologists' findings oftentimes serve to further establish the authenticity of the story of Jesus. Only recently a group discovered the name of Jesus, carved before 70 A.D. and perhaps by an eyewitness to the crucifixion, among inscriptions on 11 early Christian burial urns found in a cave on the Jerusalem-Bethlehem road.

The urns may provide the "oldest archaeological record of Christianity" and an historical confirmation of the trial and crucifixion of Christ, the archaeologists said.

A sect of Hebrews, who followed Jesus, denounced Pontius Pilate and mourned the crucifixion of their leader, was believed to have left the writings on the urns in the cave.

The Hebrew and Aramic inscriptions contained common names like Miriam, Simeon, and Matti. The Greek inscriptions and symbols beside them contained references to Christianity and, it seems probable to the crucifixion.

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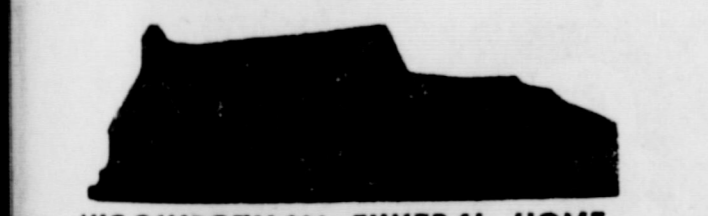
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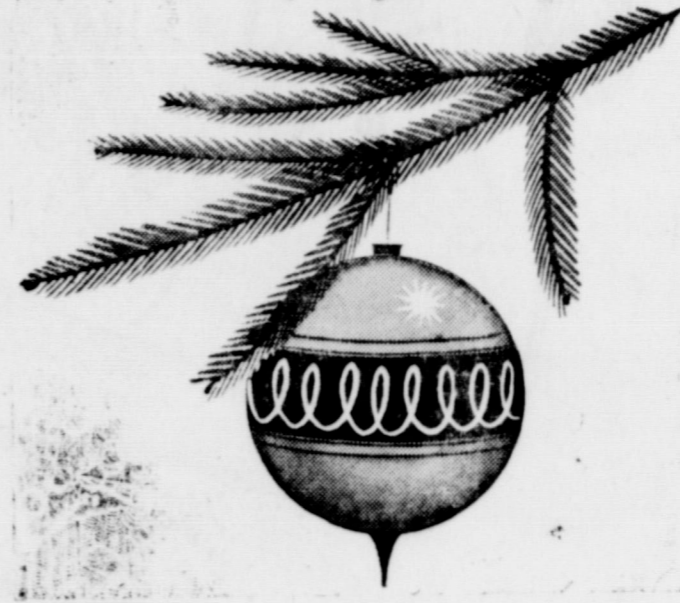
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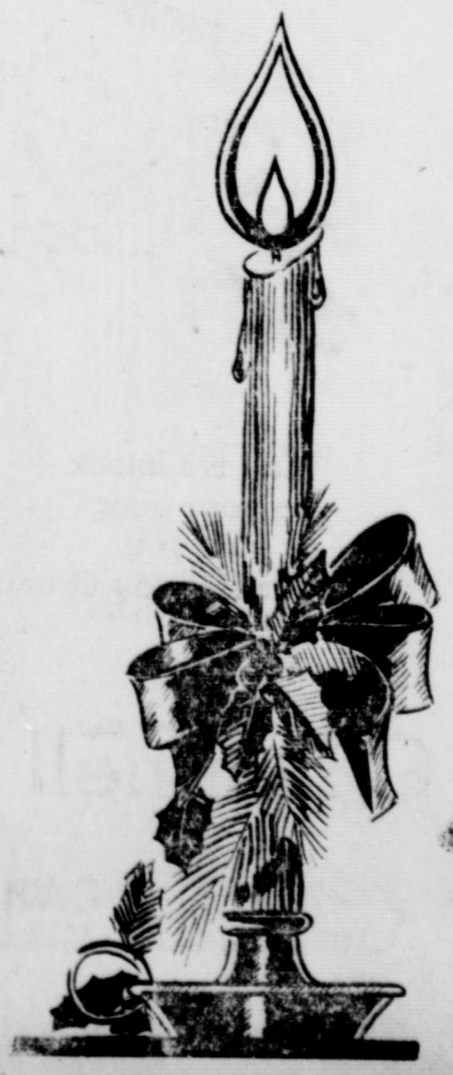
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to give you  
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## O'Donnell Implement Co.

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### Why You Hang Holly at Yuletide

CREDIT THE PAGAN Druids for inspiring one of the nice Christmas customs — decorating with holly. The traditional holly for the holidays is widely believed to have had its origin in the Druid practice of bringing holly sprigs indoors. The Druids woodland spirits lived in the holly.

Indoors, holly gave the spirits a nice warm place in winter. Besides, the lush green holly and the contrast of its red berries provided beauty that could be revered by men when the sacred oaks were shorn of their foliage.

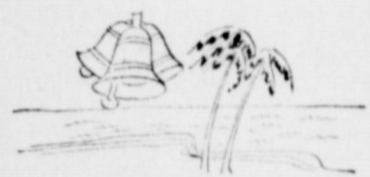
The early Christian church frowned on such pagan customs and tried to stamp them out. In due time, however, it was felt that some of the customs could be adapted to the new Christmas conception.

Some beautiful legends associate the holly with Christ. In fact, it is often called the Christ thorn. One legend depicts the leaf spines as the crown of thorns; the red berries as the sins of the world and the blood of Christ. Another credits holly with first springing up from the footsteps of Christ. The plant is said to remain green all winter as a reward for once hiding Christ from his pursuers.

The impact of the holly on the Christmas celebration is evidenced in the traditional holiday colors, green and red. The Druids weren't the only people of old who thought the holly was something special. Pliny, the great Roman historian, insisted holly blossoms caused water to freeze. Also, that holly thrown at any wild beast would make it lie down tamely next to the branch.

These legends, forgotten by many people, are said to be the reason we decorate with holly.

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



### First Community Tree At Christmas Was Held In City of Cleveland

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

Holders of preferred stock were entitled to "dividends payable daily in the form of happy voices of robust children, the contented faces of friendly fellow citizens and the advancement of the city of good will."

Sale of stock was pushed everywhere, the most unique place being the Cleveland stock exchange where the stock was listed at the head of other securities. The sale brought \$12,000, which purchased Christmas cheer for 13,000 citizens, as well as the first community Christmas for the city.



SNOWMEN FOR YOU . . . Your local lumber dealer may have patterns for these plywood and hardboard "snowmen" which you can make yourself. If not, use this picture for a pattern and go to work.

### Church Of Christ

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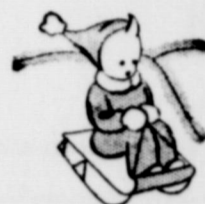
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**REINDEER**

**FAIRY TALES** and Christmas stories are a Yuletide tradition. It is thus fitting that the story which promises to be America's most popular and long-lived fairy tale is related to the Christmas season.

Once upon a time there was a reindeer with a built-in flashlight bulb for a nose. You know, Rudolph, the red-nosed reindeer. From a small beginning in 1938, the little animal with the built-in beacon has become as familiar as Humpty-Dumpty and Cinderella to youngsters everywhere.

First invented as a sales giveaway promotion for Montgomery Ward by Robert L. May, Rudolph was featured in many free booklets before he became associated with Christmas. Songwriter Johnny Marks liked the title "Rudolph, the Red Nosed Reindeer", so he wrote a song about it. He was so sure he had a success that he started his own Publishing company, using "Rudolph" as his first release. Gene Autry made the initial recording, and that one record sold 2,000,000 copies.

Last year, there were 16 different recordings of the song for sale, ranging from boogie-woogie by Sugar Chile Robinson to Bing Crosby, and cowboy singers.



... A HERALD OF THE KING ...

*Tree Decoration Has Ancient Source In Arabian Legend*

When you fasten the ornaments to your Christmas tree this year you will be commemorating a centuries-old Arabian legend that relates how plants blossomed and flowered and trees miraculously bore ripened fruit on the eve of the first Christmas.

In fact, the Christmas tree itself stems from the story of a Scandinavian "sacred" tree and Martin Luther, a German, is said to have brought the first one indoors and decorated it for the Yule season in the early 16th century.

These are only two of more than a score of legends from which today's Christmas symbols and customs stem. According to Jeannette Lee, who has probed their origin for nearly a dozen years, the American Christmas symbols — from candles and bells to kissing under the mistletoe — have no common nationality. They have come from all parts of the world.

Mrs. Lee, who is supervisor of creative art for a greeting card company, constantly utilizes the traditions and emblems of the festival as ornaments for Christmas cards and is just as constantly searching for new ones. This year, for example, the bright-colored tree ornaments are in high vogue as decorative devices on Christmas cards.

**REX**

**Wed. and Thurs.**

Dec. 21 and 22  
Do is Day and James Cagney in

**Love Me Or Leave Me**

In Cinemascope and color

**Friday and Sat.**

Dec. 23 and 24th  
Robert Ryan and Robert Stack in

**House Of Bamboo**

In Cinemascope and color

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Dec. 25th and 26th  
Marilyn Monroe and Tom Ewell in

**The Seven Year Itch**

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**History of  
Christmas Seals**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The first nationwide sale was held the following year and was backed by newspapers all over the country, religious and civic groups, and sponsored by the American Red Cross and the National Tuberculosis association.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Ernest D. Stewart, Jr. Pastor

Sunday	
Morning Worship	11:00 a.m.
Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Youth Choir Practice	6:00 p.m.
Training Union	7:00 p.m.
Evening Worship	8:00 p.m.
Monday:	
Womans' Missionary Union	4:00 pm
Girls' Auxilliary	4:00 p.m.
Royal Ambassadors	4:00 p.m.
Sunbeams	4:00 p.m.
First and Third Tuesdays:	
Brotherhood	8:00 p.m.
Wednesday:	
Life Service Band	7:30 p.m.
Officers' and Teachers' Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Prayer Meeting	8:00 p.m.
Church Choir Practice	9:00 p.m.



**THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS . . .**  
Much of the joy of Christmas for mothers and fathers is watching the thrill children get from finding toys under the tree. These children express their joy on Christmas morning. Much of the joy for the children is the anticipation of and mystery in Santa's visit and the guessing about what the old fellow will bring.

See the new shipment of milk glass at Lott Pharmacy.

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CHRISTMAS  
TO  
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**A DIFFERENT** playtime observance for your Christmas festivities is the game "Lord of Misrule."

When your guests have all arrived and have been greeted by the music of the minstrels and the song of the carolers, it is time for the most honored guest of the evening to arrive. With much fanfare the "Lord of Misrule" is announced. He enters with great pomp and ceremony and takes his place as the master of ceremonies for the evening.

The Lord of Misrule comes to us from the Tudor courts where he was elected annually to reign over the Christmas festivities. His word, during the festivities, was law, and the ridiculous commands he laid upon the guests had to be obeyed.

At your party, the Lord of Misrule will command each guest to do his bidding. He may call for singing, dancing, pantomime, imitations and stunts of all kinds. Failure to do the bidding of the Lord of Misrule results in the payment of a forfeit. And here another unusual note may be injected. The forfeit, instead of being paid to the Lord of Misrule may be paid to another Christmas character, the "hodening horse."

It was the custom in Kent, England, for young men to go from house to house with the hodening horse, an imitation of a horse's head attached to a long stick. Two lads, forming the body of the horse, were hidden from view by a covering of cloth resembling horse's skin. The hodening horse was accompanied by paraders who rang the bells throughout the town and begged for money or food.



**ALLERGIC TO WHISKERS** . . . Not all little boys who love Santa Claus this time of year have a sublime trust in the old gent. This young man obviously wishes he were somewhere else.

To fireproof your Christmas tree, which is still a hazard even with electric lights, select your tree four to six days before you intend to decorate it. Then weigh the tree and buy one-fourth as many pounds of ammonium sulphate as the tree weighs. This chemical is available in most stores that sell seeds and fertilizers.

For each pound of ammonium sulphate use 1 1/2 pints of water to make the fireproofing solution. Mix the solution in something tall and narrow that will hold the tree upright. Then saw off the tree diagonally so as to give a large cut surface. Set the tree in the solution in a cool place, away from the direct sunlight, and leave it there until most of the solution is absorbed.

**You Can Make a Big Christmas Candle**

You can make a big, long-burning candle to fit into your Christmas decorations if you have a number of odds and ends of partly burned candles around the house. Melt them and pour into cardboard containers and remold. Use ice cream cartons, oatmeal containers or others. Use plain cord for a wick. When the wax is beginning to set, tie the wick to a pencil and suspend it in the wax. Let set hard, remove carton and there is a nice candle for your table.

**1 B. C. and 1 A. D. Were Not a Year Apart**

According to our calendar, one would naturally assume that between the year 1 B. C. and the year 1 A. D. there should be a year called zero. As a matter of fact, no such year exists, as far as historians are concerned, and the year 1 A. D. follows directly after the year 1 B. C.

A person born in 3 B. C. would not be five years old at 2 A. D. but would be four years old when one is calculating data in that period. When adding B. C. and A. D. years, it is necessary to always subtract one to compensate for the year zero omitted between 1 B. C. and 1 A. D.

**Why Christmas Candles?**

On Christmas Eve the Christ Child wanders all over the earth seeking deserving people—people who are kind and thoughtful of others, and people who have loving hearts. Lighted candles are placed in the windows by such people so that He may not stumble and fall. In the course of His search He visits every castle and hut, no matter how rocky and rough His path may be.

**VA Quiz**

**Q** -- As a Korea veteran, I have 120 days from the date of my discharge to obtain Korean GI term insurance. What would happen if I were to wait until the last day, and it happened to be on a Saturday or Sunday when VA was not conducting business?

**A** -- If the final day of the 120-day period falls on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, the time for obtaining Korean GI term insurance would be extended to include the first workday that followed.

**Q** -- I am planning to take graduate courses at college under the Korean GI Bill. What does VA consider to be full-time graduate college training?

**A** -- There are no set number of hours you are required to take. For graduate students, VA accepts the word of the school as to whether veterans are pursuing their training full-time or part time.

**Q** -- Would it be possible to get a GI business loan to obtain working capital for my small business, I qualify, under the law.

**A** -- Yes. Under the law, you could get a GI business loan to obtain working capital. But you would have to find a lender willing make the loan under GI terms.

**Q** -- I am receiving retirement pay from the Armed Forces and

I also am eligible for VA disability compensation I realize I have the right to choose either of the two benefits. But, if I make a choice, would I be allowed to change at some future date? Or is the choice I make now binding for the rest of my life?

**A** -- The choice you make now would not be binding for the rest of your life. You would have the right to change at any time.



"Star of Wonder, Star of Light . . . . ."

See that star atop the tree? Down through the ages, it has been the symbol of wonder and the spiritual light which brings people together—uniting them with the common bond of loving kindness, friendship and cooperation. That same spirit is felt every day of our lives in whatever we do—people working together for the well being of all.

This Christmas, as you look at that star, hundreds of member-consumers along the miles of electric lines—folks like you who know the true meaning of friendship and cooperation—will join you in offering thanks for our many blessings.

From all of us, especially to you, a sincerely warm and happy

Merry Christmas

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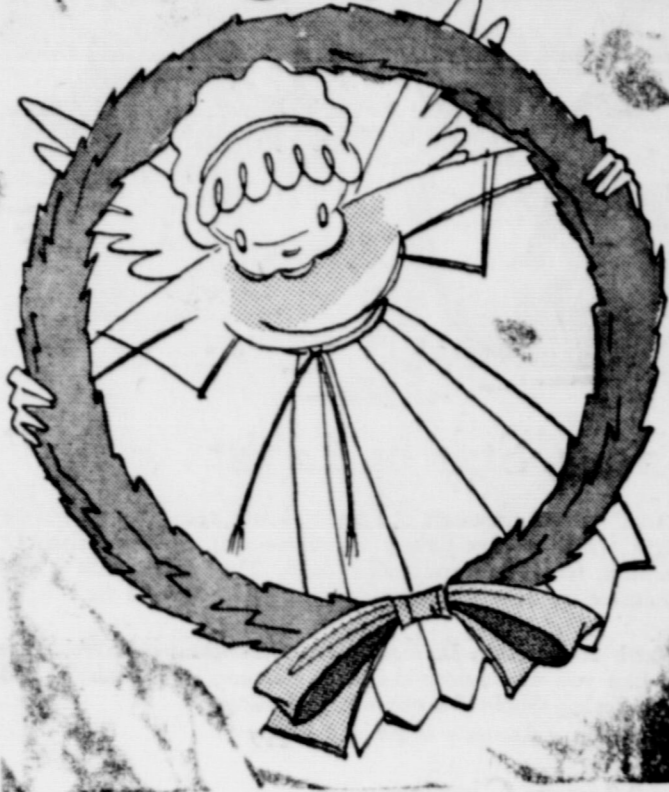
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CHRISTMAS BACKDROP

Christmas Seal Idea Conceived In Denmark

A DANISH postal clerk thought of the idea of attaching stamps to Christmas packages and letters in 1903, and a few years later the scheme was tried in America.

This year millions of Americans will receive a letter from their local chapter of the National Tuberculosis association containing Christmas seals, the seasonal reminder of the never-ending fight to stamp out the disease.

Einar Holboell, at work in a Danish postoffice conceived the idea of attaching decorative stamps to Christmas packages, the sale of which could be conducted by some worthwhile organization.

He mentioned it to his fellow workers and they decided it would be a great help in defraying the cost of fighting tuberculosis. The idea reached King Christian, who approved, and the image of Queen Louise was placed on the first seals in 1904.

Jacob Riis, Danish-born American, heard about the idea and sold it to the American public in 1907 through a magazine article written for Outlook magazine. A Red Cross worker, Miss Emily Bissell, started the first American sales that year.

If the poultry flock is to be comfortable during the winter months, their housing must be properly ventilated. Panels made of glass substitute are recommended as covers for all outer wall openings in the poultry house. Hinge them so they can be opened on warm days and adjusted for proper cold weather ventilation.



EVERY AVERAGE American home will have a Christmas tree this year. Traditional and symbolic as the trees are, they present a great fire hazard, and should be carefully watched.

Remember that when you bring a tree into the house it is going to dry up. A freshly-cut tree will not take fire any easier than the evergreen trees growing outside, but the hazard increases by the hour. For this reason, it is not wise to put up the tree too early before Christmas day or to leave it too long after the 25th. Trees of all kind will become highly inflammable at the end of a week.

Families, clubs, churches or organizations that wish to keep their trees up longer than a week should take special safeguards to keep it reasonably safe.

The tree can be kept fresh by setting it up in a pan of water. Cut off the base of the tree at an angle at least one inch above the original cut and keep it standing in water during the entire period it remains in the house. It may be necessary to add water from time to time to keep the water level above the cut.

Place the tree well away from stoves, radiators, and other sources of heat. When you smoke, stay away from the tree. Also be sure that the tree is secured in such a way that it cannot fall. Do not put it near a doorway where it might block an avenue of escape, should a fire occur.

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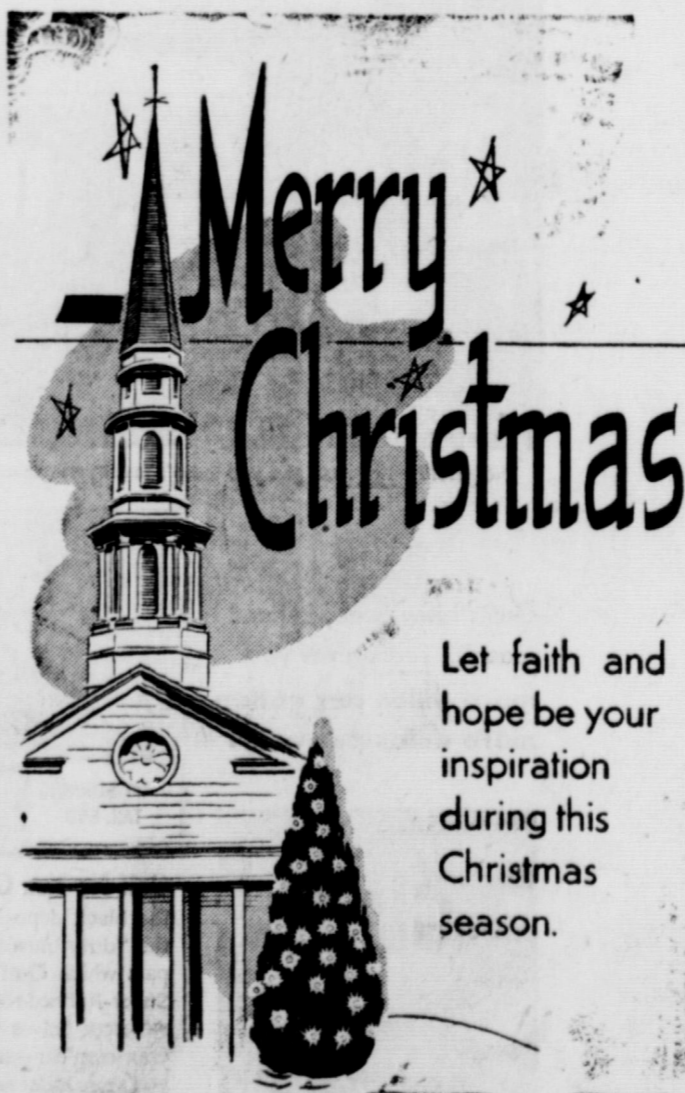
Greetings



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Merry Christmas



Let faith and hope be your inspiration during this Christmas season.

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May the guardians  
of the Christmas  
Season attend you.

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**Saturday**  
11:25 Program Previews  
11:30 Industry On Parade  
11:45 Pre-game Warmup  
11:55 Ball Game  
2:15 Championship Bowling  
3:15 Kentucky Derby  
3:45 California Wrestling  
4:30 Ramar of the Jungle  
5:00 Buffalo Bill, Jr.  
5:30 Beat The Clock  
6:00 Jackie Gleason  
7:00 Two For The Money  
7:30 Eddie Cantor  
8:00 Professional Father  
8:30 City Detective  
9:00 Chicago Wrestling  
10:00 Chronoscope  
10:15 Half Past Midnight  
**Sunday**  
10:40 Church Service  
12:00 Facts Forum  
12:30 Be Plus Ten  
1:30 Let's Take A Trip  
2:00 What Is The Answer  
2:30 This Is The Life  
3:00 Adventure  
3:30 Hank McCune  
4:00 Plains Talk  
4:15 Sunday Funnies  
4:30 You Are There  
5:00 The Passerby  
5:15 Huntin' and Fishin' Club  
5:30 Jack Benny and Private Secretary on Alt. Weeks  
6:00 Toast Of The Town  
7:00 G E Theater  
7:30 Stage Seven

**8:00 Appointment With Adventure**  
8:30 Follow That Man  
9:00 Famous Playhouse  
9:30 Amos 'N Andy  
10:00 News  
10:15 Drew Pearson  
10:30 Fighting Back

**Monday**  
6:45 Advance Weathercast  
7:00 The Morning Show  
7:25 News  
7:30 The Morning Show  
7:55 Weather  
8:00 Garry Moore  
8:30 Morning Movie  
9:30 Bandstand  
9:45 TV Sermonette  
10:00 Valliant Lady  
10:15 Love Of Life  
10:30 Search For Tomorrow  
11:00 Songs From Country Chapel  
10:45 Stop, Look And Listen  
11:15 Road Of Life  
11:30 Welcome Travelers  
12:00 Noon News  
12:15 Bandstand  
12:30 Swap Shop  
1:00 Movie Matinee  
1:00 Brighter Day  
2:15 Secret Storm  
2:30 On Your Account  
3:00 Recipe Round-up  
3:30 Western Movie  
4:20 B-Bar Ranch  
4:45 Captain Video  
5:00 Fash Gordon  
5:30 World News  
5:45 Local News, Sports, Weather  
6:00 Burns And Allen  
6:30 Community Crossroads  
6:45 Cowboy Joe  
7:00 I Love Lucy  
7:30 December Bride  
8:00 Studio One  
9:00 Alpine Playhouse  
9:30 Racket Squad  
10:00 News, Sports And Weather  
10:15 Jules Strongbow Presents  
10:30 Wrestling Workouts

**Tuesday**  
Same as Monday thru 5:45 p.m. except following:  
9:30 Hairdresser Hi-Lites  
6:00 Community Crossroads  
6:30 Halls Of Ivy  
7:00 Meet Millie  
7:30 Florian Zabach  
8:00 Danger  
8:30 Guess What?  
9:00 Life With Elizabeth  
9:30 Circle 13  
10:00 News, Sports, Weather

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May your Christmas  
be filled with  
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Accept our  
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this Holiday  
Season.

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and peace.

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Accept our hearty thanks  
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## Merry Christmas!

**Oranges 29c**

5 lb bag "Florida"

**Chopped Beef 29c**

"Armour's" 12 oz. can

**BLACKBERRIES 19c**

303 can "Wolco"

**Bakerite 79c**

3 lb can

**Chili 43c**

No. 2 can "Wolf"

**Purple Plums 69c**

Gallon can "Texo"

**Fruit Cocktail 23c**

303 can "Del Monte"

**Candy 29c**

Assorted Christmas Mix-  
es- reg. 39c bags while  
they last

**sliced Bacon 39c**

TALL KORN ....

**beef roasts 43c**

Choice cuts per lb

**Fryers, Hens**

Pienty Cooked Ready To Eat Cured

## HAMS

Also Canned Hams

TRADE WHERE MA SAVES MONEY FOR PA

Lost— navy blue suitcase con-  
taining pink jumper dress, charcoal  
trousers, black and white shirt,  
lost between my house and town,  
see Index if you find. Mrs. Beatrice  
McLaurin

### CARD OF THANKS

To my many white friends and  
also the Red Cross, which Mr.  
Ellis oversees, and to all who had  
a hand in this great charity, I do  
believe this the most wonderful  
city to live in. Until now my daugh-  
ter is doing fine which had an op-  
eration weeks ago. Thanks.

RUBY MAE WHITE

Ed. note— this warms the heart  
of us all to know that this little  
Negro girl can lead a normal life  
after this operation. At this Christ-  
mas Tide we realize that all of us  
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Large selection of Jewelry boxes  
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We wish to express our deep  
gratitude for all the interest that  
has been shown us. Thank you so  
very much for your kindness, gifts  
and prayers. We wish all the people  
of O'Donnell a very Merry Christ-  
mas and a Happy and Prosperous  
New Year.

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Fresh home made Better Corn  
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160 acres 5 miles N. E. of O'Don-  
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per acre with all mineral rights.

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B. M. HAYMES

I have several boxes of Christ-  
mas Cards on hand that are very  
nice. I would appreciate you look-  
ing at them if you need more cards  
before Christmas. I will have them  
at the Assembly of God parsonage  
Thanks. Mrs. H. C. Louis

For sale: 160 acres locat-  
ed 1-1.2 miles northwest of Plain  
view, has good 10 inch well on nat-  
ural gas, 9 room house, excellent  
condition, also on natural gas,  
large implement barn with cement  
floor, carries \$34,000 loan, would  
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### VA Quiz

Q - If I apply for disability comp-  
ensation as soon as I get my dis-  
charge from service, will I be re-  
quired to take a VA physical exam-  
ination?

A - Not necessarily. As long as  
you file your claim within six  
months from your discharge, VA  
may give you an initial rating based  
on the records of your branch  
of service, unless it would appear  
that an error would result from  
such a procedure.

Q - If a veteran shows a lack of  
progress in his Korean GI Bill  
studies, would he still be entitled  
to make his one-and-only change of  
course?

A - Yes, but only if he can show  
VA that the lack of progress was  
not due to his own misconduct,  
neglect or lack of application.

Q - I have just been discharged  
from service, and I am thinking of  
getting a Korean GI term insur-  
ance policy. I already have a \$10,  
000 life insurance policy with a pri-  
vate company. Would this bar me from  
GI insurance?

A - No. Insurance held with a  
private company has no bearing on  
the amount of GI insurance you are  
permitted to carry. A veteran may  
get up to \$10,000 worth of Korean  
GI term insurance, minus only  
whatever other forms of GI insur-  
ance he might have.

Q - I bought a house with a GI  
loan, a few years ago. Our family  
has grown and we could use a  
larger house. My wife is a veteran,  
too. Would she be entitled to use  
her GI loan benefit for another  
house?

A - Yes. The fact that you used  
your GI loan benefit would not  
serve to deny your wife the right  
to use hers.

For bulldozing, subsoiling up to  
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Carries a good loan, see Homer  
Hardberger or B. M. Haymes 6tp

For sale: house to be moved, 3  
rooms and bath, W T (Bill) Snell-  
grove phone Neils 3309 3tc

Lost: red round box size of 50c  
piece containing contact lenses,  
Tray Pearce 2tp

IN LOVING MEMORY  
In Loving Memory of Mr. and  
Mrs. Lennie Williams "always" and  
at Christmas time again.  
Bill Williams, Charlie Beckham,  
A. F. Beckham of Bessier, La., Mr  
and Mrs. Woodrow Brewer, Mr and  
Mrs. Joe Beckham and Tonia and  
Mr and Mrs. Joe Brewer and Lanny  
and Danny

regular schedule follows:  
Jan. 3 Sundown, There  
Jan. 6 Morton, Here  
Jan. 20 Coahoma, There  
Jan. 29 Coahoma, There  
Jan. 31 Stanton, Here  
Feb. 3 Coahoma, Here  
Feb. 18 Stanton, There  
\*denotes conference games



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"Merry Christmas"  
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Phone Neils 3309  
Hatched by Huser  
Hatchery of Slaton

Lost: A 10 ft. aluminum step  
ladder between highway and Earl  
Billingsley place. Under please re-  
turn to Vernon Cook at Singleton  
Appliance for reward.

# CHRISTMAS FEAS

FILL YOUR BASKET  
SHOP HERE FOR HOLIDAY FOOD BARGAINS GALORE!  
"THIS YEAR GIVE FOOD"

**Flour 49c**

**5 lbs Gold Medal**

**NAPKINS 2  
boxes for 29c**

Scotkins Luncheon, 80 count box

**CRANBERRY  
SAUCE 19c**

Ocean Spray 300 size can

**SNOWDRIFT  
3 lb can 79c**

3 lb can Shortening

**Pumpkin 19c**

No. 2 1-2 size can Del Monte

**Dates 27c**

Dromedary Brand, 1 lb size

**Oleo 18c**

Kimbells per lb

★ We Still have a big selection of  
Gift Items

You can also redeem your Silver  
Dollar Thrift Stamps Here. These  
stamps are good on any item in the  
store except Groceries. You can use  
these stamps just like cash.

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SILVER DOLLAR  
THRIFT STAMPS



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Mansell Bros. Co.  
O'Donnell, Texas

★★ WE GIVE DOUBLE SILVER  
DOLLAR THRIFT STAMPS ON  
● EVERY WEDNESDAY ●

**Dry Pet Milk 29c**

4 quart size

**PEAS 19c**

Del Monte Early Garden 303 can

**Peaches 5  
for \$ 1**

Del Monte 300 size can

**Nylon Hose  
3 for \$1.99**

Full Fashion Patricia Brand, 51 gauge  
15 denier or 60 gauge 15 denier  
Give a box for Christmas

# Santa

● Will make a trip here Saturday  
(Christmas Eve) from 3 to 5. He will  
have something for all the kids ...  
bring them by.

Finest  
Quality **MEATS**

**Banner Bacon 43c**

per lb

**Beef roasts 49c**

Home killed beef

**Hams lb 55c**

Cudahey Ready To Eat half or whole



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SPECIALS FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY  
FREE DELIVERY

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