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The Song of Christmas

THE long journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem . . . a new Star in the sky . . . heavenly music above the hills of Judea . . . the flutter of angel wings . . . the swift journeying of the Shepherds . . . Mary and Joseph and the new-born Child . . . the coming of the Wise Men, with their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh . . .

From these inspiring things the Song of Christmas was fashioned more than twenty centuries ago. The years have added new notes of happiness. Carols and song upon the air . . . candles gleaming into the night . . . secret whisperings and laughter in the home . . . greetings going from friend to friend . . . deeds of love and mercy done in the name of a Child.

No great symphony or composition can match the Song of Christmas. It rises above the clatter and roar of the city; it throbs through the scattered town and hamlet; it sings through the sunlit islands of the South; it permeates the frozen wastes of the Northland. In ever-widening volume its strains echo around the world.

Before its magic the hosts of darkness take flight. It touches the slumbering chords of memory; it heals old hurts and scars; it binds loved ones in a closer and deeper tie. There are no friendless or forsaken within its sound; under its influence the strong reach out to help the weak. Peace and Love and Joy, these are its loudest notes, and they are for all men. For the Song of Christmas is the greatest of all songs because it is understood by every heart.

Otis E. Burk is New Chamber of Commerce President for 1947

At a meeting of the new board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce held Thursday night, Otis E. Burk was elected president of the Chamber to serve during 1947.

Jerome Woods was elected vice-president and Lee Little was re-elected secretary of the board. Miss Mary Ruth Taylor was elected to serve as Little's secretary.

Otis E. Burk

The new president is owner of the Burk Drug Store and has been engaged in that Business since his discharge from the Navy in the fall of 1945. Burk first came to Perryton in 1934 from Groom, Texas, as head coach and teacher in the Perryton schools. His athletic teams were outstanding during his tenure as coach. The Ranger football team of 1939 was undefeated and won the championship of Region I. His best basketball team was in 1937, when the team won the district championship and lost by a small margin to the state champions of Carey, Texas in the regional tournament.

Burk retired from coaching in 1940, but remained in the school system. When he went into the Navy in 1942, he was principal of the junior high school. He entered the Navy as an Ensign and when he was discharged, he had risen to the rank of Lieutenant Commander during his three and one-half years of service during World War II.

Jerome Woods, the new vice president, is also a veteran of World War II, having served in the Army for nearly five years. He held the rank of Major at the time of his discharge. For the past year, he has been cashier of the Perryton National Bank. Prior to entering the service he was associated with the Firt National Bank of Wichita, Kansas, and with the Production Credit Corporation.

The secretary-manager, Lee Little, succeeded O. L. Doane as secretary-manager in July, 1946, when the former resigned to enter private business. Little was a former school administrator in Western Oklahoma and served two years as Farm Security Administrator in Wheeler county.

Members of the board of directors for 1947 are J. A. Anderson, W. L. (Pood) Herndon, Fred Osborn, Raymond Powell, Claud Allen, Otis Burk and Jerome Woods.

Lt. (j. g.) and Mrs. H. D. Hearn, Corpus Christi, Texas, and Clinton Hearn came in this week-end to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hearn. Lt. and Mrs. H. D. Hearn met Clinton a student at A & M. College Station, in Waco and after an overnight stay in Ft. Worth, they came on to Perryton for their holidays. This is the first time in five years that the Hearn family has all been at home for Christmas.

Valparaiso is the most important commercial center on the west coast of South America.

A new world aviation code is being worked out by 40 nations in order to further greater flying safety.

Office Furniture at Herald office!

Children's Day New Year's in Bulgaria

Bulgarian children receive small gifts on Christmas Day from Grandpa Koleda—an ancient winter god—but New Year's Day is really the children's holiday.

Dressed in their newest and best clothes, the youngsters bear gifts to their elders: they receive presents and small sums of money in return. In rural communities the older children visit neighbors: switching the householder with cornel rods, they wish him a happy and prosperous New Year. The word "surva" is repeated frequently—the visitors expecting to be served with goodies—but if the supply is exhausted, the situation is accepted with characteristic good humor.

The holiday season climaxes on Epiphany. The orthodox priest leads a procession to the river and, commemorating Christ's baptism, tosses a cross into the water: sometimes the ice has to be broken, but youths dive for the cross unhesitantly—the retriever supposedly receiving a special blessing.

Combs of ivory or boxwood have frequently been found in early Christian tombs.

In 1945, the Salvation Army provided 11,000,000 meals to needy Americans across the country.

Bookkeeping and Accounting Systems at Stewart Printing Co.

Spearman Launches Drive to Raise $40,000 For Community Building and Veterans' Center

When the progressive citizens of Spearman decide to do something in a big way, they go to work a "do it" without talking the deal to death for a year or so. Spearman had tentative plans for a community building prepared several weeks ago. This building, estimated cost $40,000 exclusive of site and furnishings and equipment, will serve all civic and veteran groups, also be available for youth recreation programs and all kinds of public events.

On last Friday morning, under the sponsorship of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce, representatives of the V. F. W., 20th Century Club, Lions Club, Chamber of Commerce, Parent Teachers Association, Home Demonstration Clubs, Farm Bureau, Masonic Lodge, Business Men's Club of Gruver, Hansford County Fair Association and the City Commission were called together for a breakfast.

Manager Harry Kelly of the Chamber of Commerce called the meeting to order and designated Bob Vaughn as chairman. Mr. Vaughn is chairman of the C. of C. committee for the building. Co-members of this committee are Guy Fuller, W. M. Glover and Jess Davis.

The proposed building will be of brick and tile construction, size 80x140 ft. In addition to the necessary complement of offices, rest rooms, kitchen, etc. there will be two small club rooms, a large auditorium, 80x80 ft., and a veterans section, 24x80.

The group decided that the building would be controlled by a board made up of one member from each of the sponsoring organizations, with the veterans having full control over their part of the building.

With characteristic Hansford county enthusiasm, the sponsoring organization decided to waste no time in raising the $40,000, in fact they set Dec. 31 as the closing day of the drive with a "must" that every cent be paid in by that deadline date.

Directing the drive are the following representatives of the associated clubs and organizations: J. T. Hutchinson, Cecil Ralston, Mrs. E. Vaughn, Bill McClellan, Bill Miller, W. M. Glover, Johnnie C. Lee, J. E. Gunn, Jess Davis, Guy Fuller, Walter Good, R. B. Holton, Zack Jgagers, D. E. Hatchley, Mrs. B. J. Garnett, Mrs. Wesley Garnett, Mrs. Roy Wilmeth, Mrs. Russell Townend and Mrs. C. A. Castleman.

STILL CHAMPION—Joe Louis, regarded by many as the best heavyweight of all time, saw his first ring action in more than four years when he knocked out Billy Conn in 2:19 of the eighth round to retain his title. The June bout was generally regarded as [illegible] since few good blows were struck. Louis also put challenger Tami Mauriello to sleep in the first round in their bout this year.

Roy Wilmeth, Bruce Sheets, D. W. Hart, Gene Richardson, Mrs. C. A. Castleman, Mrs. Walter Davis, Pope Gibner, Homer Beck, Ted McClellan, Zack Jaggers and Freeman Barkley.

Present at the kickoff breakfast were: Mrs. R. E. Vaughn, Mrs. Vivian Vance, John Bishop, Freeman Barkley, Pope Gibner, Dwight Stevenson, C. A. Gibner, J. C. Harris, Ted McClellan, J. C. Lyon Jr., Homer Beck, Sam Pattison, T. R. Shirley, Van W. Stewart of Perryton, R.

Pollomyelitis in severe form is relatively rare—even during epidemics rarely more than three children per 1,000 are affected.

An estimated 5,700,000 European Jews were killed by the Nizis during World War II.

An estimated 28,000,000 food parcels were shipped during the war to Americans and Allied prisoners of war.

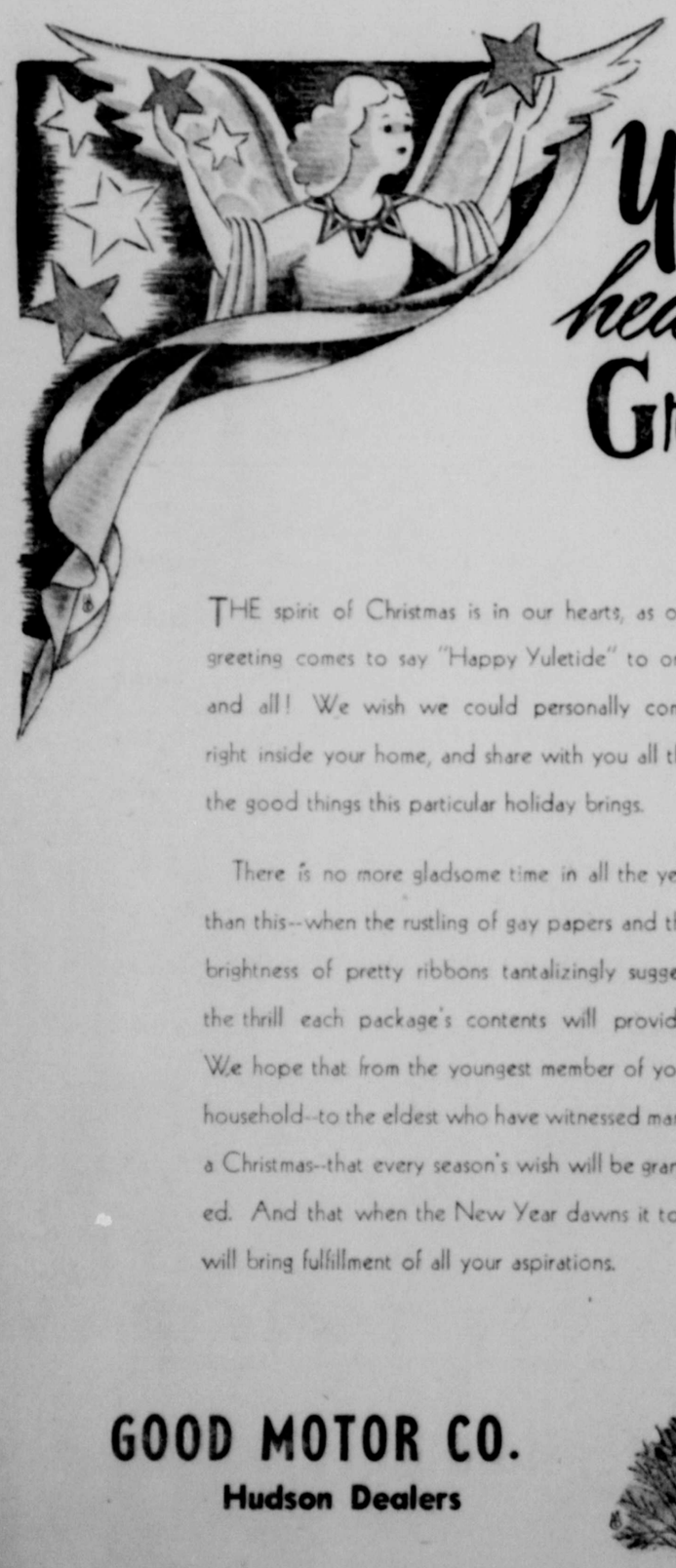
During the Victorian era, ceramic tile was used in every building of consequence though-out Europe and Britain.

The Star of the West, a drop-shaped pearl found off Australia in 1917, weighed about 3½ avoirdupois ounces and sold for $44,800.

Fine Printing at reasonable [illegible] at Stewart's.

Stewart Printing Co.

Season's Greetings



Yuletide's heartiest Greetings

THE spirit of Christmas is in our hearts, as our greeting comes to say "Happy Yuletide" to one and all! We wish we could personally come right inside your home, and share with you all the the good things this particular holiday brings.

There is no more gladsome time in all the year than this--when the rustling of gay papers and the brightness of pretty ribbons tantalizingly suggest the thrill each package's contents will provide. We hope that from the youngest member of your household--to the eldest who have witnessed many a Christmas--that every season's wish will be granted. And that when the New Year dawns it too will bring fulfillment of all your aspirations.

GOOD MOTOR CO.
Hudson Dealers

To one and all go our sincerest and best wishes for this Yuletide season.

Happiness, good health, good cheer and the merriest of Christmases to everyone.

CHEATHAM
MOTOR COACHES
and FREIGHT
Russell Pierson, Gen. Mgr.

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APPRECIATING to the fullest extent the cordial relations existing between us in the past, we take this opportunity to cordially wish you an old fashioned

Merry Christmas

May the Happiness and Good Cheer which we hope is yours this Christmas never cease in the days to come, and may the New Year bring each of you the Prosperity, Health and Real Happiness you so much deserve.

Gerald Murray
Knute Dowers
Marvin Walton
Jack Payne
Raymond Overbey
"Jake" Dunkle
Helen Lee
Vivian Lee
Harold Hudson
Jim Bray
Carmen Keith
Jessie Stewart
Van Stewart

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ll Be Here New Year's Eve!

ed by the country's most versatile bandleader, Benny Strong's of the Moment" comes to Perryton to play for the New Year's ce on December 31. Benny started out as a Master of Cere- and took up bandleading on the advice of Kay Kyser with e worked for four months at the Blackhawk restaurant in Chi- his first engagement as a bandleader was at the Brown Hotel ville, and lasted three years!

then he and his hotel- rchestra have been praised r all-round entertainment such outstanding hotels Park Plaza, St. Louis (27 the Gibson, Cincinnati (15 the Tidwiler, Birmingham); the Ansley, Atlanta; George Washington, Jack- his numerous accomplish- Benny Strong counts sing- ging and impersonating "emceeing." The rest of th re his versatility.

was one of the heroes o Louisville flood. For three stood by the microphone di- help throug the air, al- the flood waters continued t higher and higher about on.

end of that time, his over- ar turned up and three d on his face, he had dif- being recognized as the sauve bandleader the people of Louisville knew.

But they have never forgotten his heroism.

Although he has since appeared with his orchestra over the NBC, CBS and Mutual networks, that flood broadcast is the one he prefers to remember above all others.

His orchestra is designed for entertainment as well as for music alone, and he has secured some outstanding entertainers. Diane Pace, girl vocalist, specializes in sweet, sentimental tunes, though she can sing a "torch song" or can "get in the groove" with a hot number as readily as the next one. Harry Gosling, Elwood Carl and the "Minute Men" are not only able musicians their impersonations and comedy arrangments have long thrown patrons into fits of laughter.

The dance will be presented in the Southwestern Industrial Works where there are 16,000 square feet of dancing space.

Strong and his orchestra have been brought to Perryton by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, who are sponsoring the dance. Proceeds go to the national fund for infantile paralysis and local civic improvements.

Every holder of a social security card who reaches age 65, and the closest relative of a card holder who dies at any age, should get in touch with the nearest office of the Social Security Administration to avoid possible loss of Federal insurance payments which may be due.

Borger VFW Defeats Local Cage Team

The Perryton VFW basketbal team was doing all right in their game with the Borger VFW team Thursday night in the high schoo gym until late in the third quarter. At that time, the local team ha a five point lead, which seeme quite safe, as Perryton had tak the lead from the start and the maintained it through the game up until that point.

Late in the third quarter, Bo er sent a substitute named Pri ard. Pritchard had been broug along as an unknown quantity, a up until this point had seen action. But Mr. Pritchard went work with a vim and vigor whi literally swept the local cagers their feet.

This 'hot shot" made 20 po while he was in there, and led team to an easy 52-39 victory ov the locals.

Lindsay McWilliams, with points, led the Perryton scorers.

Members of the local team saw action in the game were K Dowers, Bill Curtis, Irvin Willis Danny Ellis, Jimmy Hargrave, Lackey, Charles Patton, Hora Smith Gale Rogers, Johnny D lavy and Harold Hudson.

CHRISTMAS SEALS BOUGHT THIS—Sale of Christmas seals bought this mobile x-ray equipment. Over 10,000 students at the University of Texas, along with the faculty, staff, and employees have been x-rayed to date. The mobile unit will travel over the state, making x-rays of people free of charge.

HIGH SCORER — Handsome Ted Fritch, plunging backfield star for the Green Bay Packers professional football team, led the league in points scored and gained a place on the all-professional team.

Steeplejack is Oldest Man in Scarce Field

NEW YORK — In a day when a fellow of 30 years of age is considered fairly ancient for professional football, baseball or boxing, a gentleman named Henry Weislocker seems to be a standout in his demanding field. At an agile 68 years of age, Henry is the oldest active sign construction steeplejack on Broadway.

Henry is celebrating his 40th year at his trade. He has worked on some of the most spectacular signs to be constructed on this gaudy thoroughfare, and it is fitting too that this year he will be working on the largest of his lengthy career.

Henry was looking over the sketches for his latest weighty masterpiece, figuring out the hazards and the precautions he would have to take.

Henry isn't the least frightened at the thought of swinging out atop a Broadway skyscraper at his age to construct the street's biggest roof-top display. In fact, he rather likes the idea. Gives the younger fellows the sort of encouragement they need, says Henry.

"When they see me swinging out without bothering about anything at my age, they know it can be done safely," Henry said.

His latest spectacular is a sign 75 by 102 feet, the largest permitted for roof-top display. The main feature is a 50-foot figure of a gal, the sign being a device for calling the attention of the public to the product of a manufacturer of slips. The model is a professional poser, Miss Norma Kohane, of Boston. Miss Kohane also took part in a little ceremony by presenting Henry a citation noting his lengthy steeplejacking in the interests of Broadway.

There will be ten figures of Miss Kohane, as the sign will use an effect in which the young lady in modest undress wil walk across the face of the display in a 50-feet-high fashion parade. Mr. Weislocker, his 68 years not in the least keeping him from admiring such feminine attractions, cast his appreciative venerable glance at each of the ten figures. Not a leer, mind you. Simply a nice, frankly admiring look.

Henry started his sign construction work in 1906, when he helped set up a clothing company display. "All I did in those days was build fences around the signs so the bulb snatchers couldn't steal lights."

In 1910 Henry was summoned to work on the first animated electric sign on Broadway. It was atop the old Hotel Normandy at Broadway and 39th and was used by many advertisers, the main point of attraction being a Roman chariot race with horses galloping and wheels revolving. Quite a startling innovation in those days, Henry notes. He also liked the corn flakes sign which had a man playing a fiddle while musical figures rose om the strings in the form of ectric bulbs.

Henry is saddened by brown-outs aused by wars and strikes.

"To anyone who has seen Broad- ay as long as I have and who ves to keep it bright, actually urts to see it in darkness," he says. don't like it, even though it's a rill to see it light up again. Dark- ning it like this always means meone is in trouble. I just don't ke it."

"Going straight" is a time-honored term for mending one's ways nd thus keeping out of trouble, ut NOT when it is applied to safe- y! The Texas Safety Association ays that on the streets and high- ays drivers run into most of their rouble while going straight rather han backing, turning or stopping. When on the straight-away, drivers re prone to speed—and speeding aused more than half of the eaths of 874 men, women and hildren in Texas for the first six months of this year. Learn from the mistakes of others—you can't live long enough to make them all yourself!

A banana plantation, operated by the Salvation Army in French Guiana, is worked by French penal colony "liberes."

The water level of the Atlantic Ocean is rising along the east coast of the U. S. at the rate of about 1a inches every century.

The Salvation Army has carried its evangelizing mission into 97 countries until today it encircles the globe.

Here's a Christmas Gift for You

● Not much, to be sure, but with the sincere appreciation in our hearts for the many kindnesses that have been ours to enjoy, we extend this little package of Christmas Greetings to each of you.

● The goodwill of our friends we value immeasurably because we well know that without them life in itself would be empty indeed.

● As we wish you the Joys of Christmas and every Happiness throughout the New Year, we add our heartfelt thanks for all past favors.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

Perryton Sales Co.

Kenneth Munger, Owner

And a very

Happy, Prosperous New Year

It is with all the earnestness within our hearts that we express our cordial Christmas Greetings to all those whom we have had the pleasure of serving during the past twelve months. Our good wishes go with each of you as you enter into the spirit of this occasion with your loved ones and friends.

We appreciate your patronage and pledge anew to improve our service in every way possible to merit its continuance.

P. D. THIESSEN

District Agent

"Republic National Life Insurance Co."

Thanks, Friend

MERRY CHRISTMAS 1946

There may be better ways to express Christmas greetings but to us, no other words convey so explicitly the genuine sentiments of the Yuletide, than to say to you "A MERRY CHRISTMAS!" We say it with all the feeling of appreciation, with a genuine understanding of those whom we serve and with a sincere desire to serve you for many more years to come. May many good things come to you and yours this Christmas.

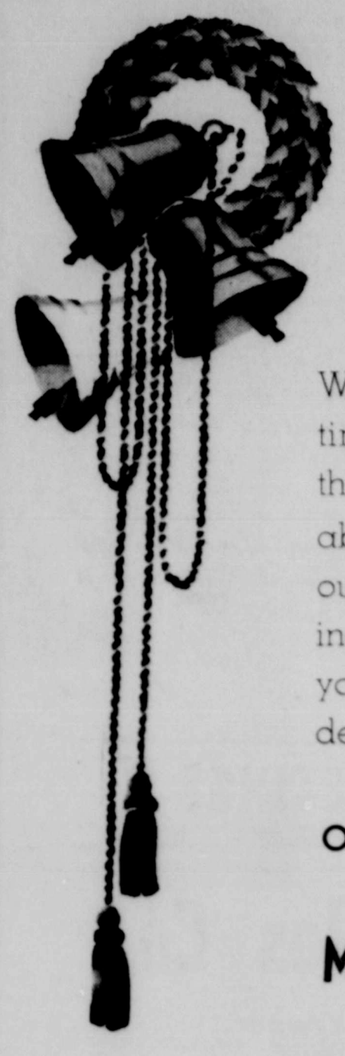
HOWARD HOLT

PLUMBING

The attendance at the 930 daily vacation bible schools, conducted by the Salvation Army last year, was 378,614 young boys and girls.

Because of the difference in their distances from the earth, the sun and moon seem almost the same size to the human eye.

U. S.-owned petroleum production in the Middle East has risen to 250,000 barrels a day, or 90,000,000 barrels a year.



Season's Greetings

We greet you at Christmastime with all the sincerity in the world. May the season hold abundant joy for each of you, our friends. And may the coming years see the fulfillment of your every ambition, hope and desire

Our Entire Organization Wishes You A

Merry Christmas

and A

Happy New Year!

Virtue Dry Goods Co

Veterans' News

In order to afford veterans all possible protection against overpriced properties in the current high market, the Veterans Administration announced that effective January 2, 1947, VA, and not the lender, will pick the appraiser to evaluate "reasonable value" for purposes of G. I. loans.

Under the revised proceedure, VA will designate by name the person to appraise each piece of property offered for sale to veterans under the guaranty loan provisions of the G. I. Bill.

This contract with the system in effect for the past 15 months, under which the lender was permitted to select any appraiser he desired from a panel of local appraisers whose general qualifications had been reviewed and approved by VA.

The revised procedure, VA said, will eliminate the tendancy on the part of some lenders to use exclusively the services of "obliging" appraisers who are most amendable to turning in a high appraisal where necessary to meet the asking price.

As of November 30, more than 31,000 G. I. loans had been approved in VA's Dallas Branch Area of Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi. These loans amounted to $164,900,315, of which VA guaranteed $78,372,915.

The Veterans Administration is providing reader service for blinded veterans who must have their study material read to them in order to go to school under the Vocational Rehabilitation Act, VA said today.

Readers are picked, VA said, not only for their ability to read intelligently, but for their understanding of the problems of newly blinded persons and their ability to test the veteran's understanding of what he is hearing.

Hiring of readers is done by VA regional managers, either through arrangements with the school or by contract with outside individuals or agencies.

VA has recommended to its regional managers a criterion of two hours of reader service a week for each credit hour the disabled veteran student is taking.

Miss Carrie Nell Brenner [illegible] at Mt. St. Scholastica College, Atchison, Kans., came in Friday morning for a two weeks vacation [illegible] parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brenner, in the Ridgeton community. Miss Brenner is [illegible] in chemistry.

A CANDLE in the window invites carolers to stop and sing a Christmas Eve serenade. Caroling at Yuletide is a custom dating back to the Sixteenth Century, when a group of nocturnal policemen decided to combine business with pleasure—they passed the hat after their serenading efforts and turned a tidy penny for their warbling.

Girl Scout News

The Black Beauty Brownie troop had its Christmas party on Tuesday December 17 at the home of Mrs. H. D. Barnes, where the troop meets weekly.

Gifts were exchanged from the lighted tree, and other house decorations included the mantle scene of the sleigh and reindeers. Refreshments which included individual cup cakes decorated in pink and green, were furnished by troop committee members, Mesdames Miles Edwards, Parker, Burl Bohling, Bruce Johnson and H. D. Barnes.

All of the members of the troop were present except Delores Leatherman and Ola Sue Johnson. They were Charlene Smith, Charlene Selbey, Ellen Ackley, Connie Edwards, Carla Sue Blackmore, Barbara Ann Bohling, Patsy Tregallas, Patty Logan, Barbara Powell, Beverly Barnes, Geraldine Parker, Marie Gipson, Marilyn Witt and Shirley Stone.

Woman Hater Tells Us Why

By GENE HANDSAKER

HOLLYWOOD—George Sanders was a miserable man the day we lunched. Hollywood's best-known woman hater was carrying the torch for his wife, Susan, from whom he had been separated about two months.

He called his gloom "my ordeal." From hobbies like astronomy and boating he had turned to only one spare-time pursuit—brooding. He accomplished this by telephoning his friends, "ad nauseam," about his troubles. "My friends are terrified now when the phone rings," George said.

Had the British-reared star of the "Saint" and "Falcon" series decided that women were all right, after all?

A long pause. The long-faced actor, playing his role to the hilt but with evident sincerity, stared into his coffee.

"I have now reversed my opinion completely as a result of my present predicament," he said. But there's a catch to that, as you will shortly see.

I asked George how he got started hating women. He took a long, moody drag on his cigarette.

"In 'The Moon and Sixpence' I had a line—'Women are strange little beasts. You can beat them till your arm aches, but still they love you.'

"In 'Dorian Gray' I said, 'Women inspire men to great deeds and then always prevent them from carrying them out.' In 'The Private Affairs of Bel Ami' I was at by caddiest—I hit Angela Lansbury on the jaw.

"I had so many parts of that kind, they must have adulterated me."

Presently he was telling interviewers that "every woman has a price—she might as well wear a tag on her lapel." Time devoted to women's clubs "would be far better employed in a gymnasium."

"But now your opinion of women has changed?" I asked.

"Yes."

"Are you sorry you said those uncomplimentary things?"

"No."

"Then why did you say them?" George thought a moment, then smiled.

"Because they're true. That's my official opinion that's what. My private opinion remains the same."

It does the ladies no good, by the way, to spank George via the fan mails for his views. Sanders is busy starring with Lucille Ball in "Personal Column," said she never read my fan mail."

Greeting Cards for every occasion at Stewart Printing Co.

Happy Holiday Season to

JOIN WITH US

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

And Merry Christmas TO YOU

FRENCH and WILLIAMS

—66 SERVICE—

North Main Street Formerly McLain & Wi

Christmas Wishes

Best Wishes for 1947

Drs. Sanford & Sanford

The good will of our patrons and friends is one of our most valued assets. The spirit of the Season brings to us renewed appreciation of old associates and the value of new friends. Our resolution for the New Year is to provide the Perryton area with a larger and finer drug store.

May your Christmas be a happy one and success attend your New Year, is our cordial wish.

BURK DRUG CO.

"The REXALL Store"

xas Veterans Weather First stwar Year with Ingenuity

By WILBUR MARTIN
Associated Press Staff

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nuity and ambition paired disappointment and confusion ost Texas veterans in their postwar year.

r a 12-month span separation s poured thousands into a ool of shortages, ceilings and ties, then, no ceilings, higher and universal scarcities.

n an early summer peak in ployment and disillusion, the has settled to nearly normal. rvey of the numerous govern- and state agencies concerned ly with the veteran, pictures h steadier situation. Without nforseen, statistics show the phases couldn't be worse.

tically every veteran has d himself to the "GI Bill of " or the Veterans Adminis- in some way, leaving records timates to evaluate his prob- of the past year. Since mov- re regulations were establish- ry Texan who enlisted or en- the armed forces under se- service prior to V-J day was e at one time to become a . With ordinary exceptions, ffed khaki.

peration centers at San An- (Fort Sam Houston), Tyler Fannin), Mineral Wells Wolters) and El Paso (Fort released men, that fat, war- pay check was practically a of the past.

erous war plants were closed, were about to close, or gear eacetime trade. Allied indus- s apprehensive. Lush restaur- d entertainment trade spiral- ilian clothes were non-exist-

sons as to wages, jobs, tricky gadgets and countless other were shattered. The rose-cov- ottage is still a dream and so utility apartment, for the part.

er those first confusing s the ruptured duck settled teady, sane waddle.

"he was his own boss" be- came quickly apparent. Texas business boomed with hundreds of newcomers. Everything from the Fixit Shop, Coffee Cove Handy Laundry and Diaper Service to heavy-financed industry. They were planned and manned by veterans.

In early December, Washington Veterans Administration officials reported Texas had received more aid in self-employed benefits than any state in comparable population. These totaled $22,448,672. From this figure, an estimate of the number of small business firms operated by veterans can be imagined. Those who fail to make at least $100 monthly are given a financial lift by the VA.

And while thousands were striking out on their own, those who turned to the United States Employment Service found the going considerably easier these past few months.

Unemployment officials estimate that the period of early summer saw peak membership in the "52-20" club—$20 per week up to 52 weeks for unemployed.

In the Dallas office alone, the number of "club" members dropped from 8,504 in June to less than half in December. Over 16,000 were placed on jobs during the year.

For those who sought a field a other than small business, education, or a good job, the state's voters said "Thanks for services rendered" with 102 elective offices. This was revealed in a survey that was not complete.

Posts and numbers of veterans elected were:

County attorney, 9; county commissioner or councilman, 7; district attorney, 5; county tax assessor-collector, 5; county judge sheriff, city council, four each; county clerk, county superintendent of schools, justice of the peace, three each; chief of police and constable, two each, and city attorney and city recorder, one each.

Education lured thousands. Complete estimates on the number of Texas veterans receiving educational benefits would be almost unobtainable, but comparative figures in single regions indicate almost twice as many prefer institutions of learning to the school of experience.

Veterans proved eager customers for the War Assets Administration High priorities were given in almost every instance.

Again, only estimates can be obtained as to the amount of WAA material purchased by veterans, but absolute figures from one region give a fairly accurate idea. In it, goods valued at $10,461,412 were sold to veterans for $3,283,533. Veterans certificates issued numbered 49,000 or 24 per cent of total purchasers. Other customers, such as state, city, county and individual bought goods valued at $43,482,944.

To the air-minded, this same region sold 3,942 surplus aircraft valued at $96,000,000 for $3,521,189.

Housing—the lack—and resulting heartaches are nationally recorded and locally chronicled in the want-ad columns. Texas veterans proved no exceptions. In the 51-county North Texas region, 6,098 applications for home loans were approved amounting to $35,264,680. For farm and agriculture equipment, $1,660,245 was okehed on 431 loans. Business loans totaled $2,583,145 in 924 instances. It was estimated 250,000 veterans reside in this area.

No survey or review can isolate the individual from the mass, so while many veterans next door may be having a rough time, as a whole they're doing okeh.

They're civilians, aren't they?

Double Amputee Devises Sports Aids

Wilfred G. Holsberg, contact representative in the Boston VA Regional Office, refuses to permit his double leg amputation to interfere with his love for sports. He is shown above on the golf course completing a change over on the adjustable golf club he devised. On the right Holsberg exhibits the swimming aids he perfected to provide bouyancy and propulsion.

If . . .

Children of Provence, France, reverently recite the following prayer before the Christmas cribs in that vicinity:

Little Jesus of the Crib—

Give us the virtues of those who surround you.

Make us as philosophical as the fisherman,

Carefree as the drummer,

Merry for exploring the world as the troubadour,

Eager for work as the bugler,

Patient as the spinner,

Kind as the ass,

Strong as the ox which keeps you warm.

Give us the sacred leisure of the hunter.

Give us also the desire of the Shepherd for earthly things,

The pride of the trade of the knife grinder and the weaver,

The song of the miller,

Give us the knowledge of the Magi,

The cheerfulness of the pigeon,

The impulsiveness of the cock,

The discretion of the snail,

The meekness of the lamb.

Give us the goodness of bread,

The tenderness of the wild boar,

The salt of the haddock,

The good humor of old wine,

The ardor of the candle,

The purity of a star.

Propriety of a few of the metaphors may be disputed, nevertheless, nostalgia prompts speculation regarding a world of humanity endowed with the virtues so earnestly and innocently enumerated by the little ones.

Veteran Forum

Q—Can a disabled veteran taking a course under Public Law 16 continue his training for more than four years?

A—Training in excess of four year may be approved when the veteran's disability is such that no course of training which does not exceed four years will restore him to employablity, or circumstances beyond the control of the veteran necessitate the extension beyond the prescribed four year period.

Q—Can an amputee veteran select the type of artificial limb he wants and the firm he wants to buy it from?

A—Yes, the veteran will be permitted to select the artificial limb of his choice but it must be purchased from an approved prosthetic appliance manufacturer under contract with VA.

Q—Am I entitled to field trip expenses in gathering material for a thesis while I am in school under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act?

A—Veterans Administration will not pay for occasional field trips, whether to summer camp or for data for research or thesis, where the charge to the student is a separate charge paid by all students enrolled in the course.

Q—How may application be made for domiciliary or hospital care of a veteran?

A—Veterans Administration Form P-10 "Application for Hospital Treatment or Domiciliary Care," should be executed by the veteran or nearest relative, guardian, or representative and forwarded to the nearest VA hospital, regional office or contact office. If found to be eligible for admission, the veteran will promptly be notified and if admission cannot be authorized, the veteran will be informed and the reason stated.

Today's motorized rural free mail delivery in the United States serves 8,000,000 families.

ALL-STAR PRO Bob Waterfield, passing star of the Cleveland Rams professional football team, was chose as a member of the all-professional team chosen by the Associated Press. Among his other claims to fame, Waterfield is the husband of cinemactress Jane Russell.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bremmer, Kansas City, Mo., announce the birth of a son, December 3. He has been namd Joseph Paul. Grandparents of Joseph Paul are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bremmer of the Huntoon community.

Results prove that people read Herald want ads.

Between the birth of the modern oil industry in 1859 and the end of 1945, 49,210,000,000 barrels of oil were taken from the earth.

GREETINGS

With grateful acknowledgement of your courtesies and the evidences of your good will that have made the past year a pleasure to us, we wish you a Christmas of great joy and a New Year of Happiness and Prosperity.

We pledge ourselves to an even greater and more efficient service than ever before and in keeping with this policy, we respectfully solicit your continued friendship and patronage.

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A Bright, Merry Christmas

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

PERRYTON PAINT CO.
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We Wish You an
Old Fashioned
Merry Christmas

At this radiant Season of good cheer when business cares and worries are overshadowed by good fellowship and kind thoughts and deeds, we sincerely wish you an old fashioned joyful Christmas and a just reward for your every effort during the New Year.

We Wish You a
Happy New Year

T. B. PENN
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Phone 910F13

CLUBS PARTIES

SOCIETY NEWS

WEDDINGS PERSONAL MENTION

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Mrs. McLain Is Hostess to Club

Mrs. Kenneth McLain entertained members of the McMillen Home Demonstration club at their party on Thursday, December 19.

Features of the afternoon were the short program and the singing of Christmas Carols along with the gift exchange. A decorated Christmas tree was the focal point of interest.

The refreshment plate was served to Mesdames Martin McCartor, Wilbs Hardy, Adelbert Miller, Ellis Matthews, Harvey Urban, B. L. James, R. E. Matthews, R. L. Pattison, Leon Brown, Warren Gum, Frank Gipson, John Schoonover, William Leslie, James Hardy, Fred Tarbox, J. H. Woodward and Virdie P. Wheeler.

A Great Big Merry

The Year's Biggest Day

is just around the corner, and we are all as happy as children. For this is really going to be a merry Christmas.

That it may be especially joyous for you is the sincere wish of

Balko Machine Shop

Christmas Story Told to W. S. C. S. Members Dec. 19

The simple truth and beauty of the Christmas story formed the nucleus for the narration by Mrs. Anna F. Wilson at the social meeting of the Women's Society for Christian Service in the home of Mrs. Clifford Beck, on Thursday afternoon. Mrs. J. W. Chase assisted Mrs. Beck with the hostess duties.

Interspersed with Mrs. Wilson's story were five of the Christmas carols sung by Mrs. Alfred James with Mrs. A. P. McCelvey at the piano. They were "Away in a Manger", "Glory to God", "Star of the East", "O Little Town of Bethlehem" and "Silent Night". As the story was finished, the group sang "Joy to the World". The closing prayer was by Mrs. W. E. McMillen.

Those present were Mesdames H. W. Ragan, H. C. Barlow, Annie Budock, John Sell, John Beck, D. A. Caldwell, Alfred James, Russell Asbell, Cecil Dodd, D. D. Shanks, P. E. Gidley, Anna F. Wilson, A. P. McCelvey, C. B. Rogers, E. W. Thomas, W. E. McMillen, C. E. Garrett, Floyd Coffin, C. F. Jones, H. L. Thurston, Robert Barlow, O. E. Bruner and Miss Nellie Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Adams came in from Compton, Calif. this week to establish residence in Perryton. They are former residents of this city, having moved to California over a year ago.

Bookkeeping and Accounting Systems at Stewart Printing Co

Beta Sigma Phi Annual Dance

Beta Phi and Lambda chapters of Beta Sigma Phi sorority held their annual Christmas dance on December 20.

The Lake Fryer recreational lodge where the affair was staged was decorated for the holiday season with the traditional lighted tree, and tall tapers banked in cedar branches were atop the mantle.

Approximately 60 couples were in attendance.

Panhandle Club Organized at State University

[illegible] the Panhandle club, the University of Texas [illegible] organization of a Panhandle club, designed to promote social contacts among the large enrollment from this section. In the first meeting, at which there were more than forty students, officers were elected with Bill Andis, Amarillo, named president.

Already active in campus social life, the club is planning a large holiday dance to be held at the [illegible] Austin Club. A [illegible] to be staged for members who are already pledged. Any [illegible] from the Panhandle may attend. Persons eligible to attend may obtain tickets from any member of the club in their home towns.

Perryton students at the University who have joined the club are Bill Mayo, Robert Powers, Bill Allen, Archie Carr, Jr., Jack Allen, Bill Herndon and Miss Mary Kay Allen.

Dinner for Faculty Members

Mr. and Mrs. Glen McGibbon entertained on Tuesday evening, December 17, for faculty members who teach their daughters, Misses Marianna and Glenda McGibbon.

Following dinner, the group enjoyed games.

Included in the personnel were Mr. and Mrs. Glen Allison, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Mise, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Anderson, Misses Lydia Lockhart, Kathryn Coffey, Jane Moore, Evelyn Millam, Carrie Jo Heare, Jean Cox and Mrs. Ann Cartwright.

Home Economics Department Meets In Shearer Home

When members of the Home Economics department of the Perryton Sorosis club met last Wednesday in the home of Mrs. O. C. Shearer, they enjoyed a delightful potluck luncheon before their program hour. Co-hostesses were Mesdames H. D. Barnes and E. W. Thomas.

The entertaining rooms were tastefully appointed in decorations of the Christmas season.

Mrs. J. H. Woodward gave the Christmas poem and Mrs. E. W. Thomas reiterated human Christmas stories while Mrs. D. A. Caldwell gave the Christmas story from the Scriptures. Carols were sung, and a gift exchange was held.

The department chairman, Mrs. R. T. Correll, was presented a gift.

Guests present were Mrs. Claude Shearer and son, Booker. Mesdames H. L. Thurston, J. F. Cox and Orian Bell. Members were Mesdames W. B. LaMaster, H. D. Barnes, Mark Biehning, Carl Blackmore, D. A. Caldwell, R. T. Correll, Geo. Cutler, Ray Grabeel, Ralph Headlee, G. D. Holt, Howard Holt, Louis Jacquet, Sibley Jones, J. C. May, B. H. Murphy, C. L. Schell, O. C. Shearer, L. D. Stinson, E. W. Thomas, J. H. Wooward, John Sell, J. W. Putman, Clarence Neufeld, C. L. Schell and Roy Enfield.

Fidelis Matrons Yule Luncheon

A red candle circled with holly was the centerpiece for each table at the luncheon of the Fidelis Matrons class of the Baptist Sunday school in the home of Mrs. J. R. Gunter at noon on Thursday, December 19.

Mrs. Carl Carter was in charge of the Christmas program presented following the meal and a gift exchange was an additional feature.

Attending were Mesdames Dan Manning, G. M. Parker, Errol Flathers, Virdie P. Wheeler, O. C. Curtis, J. H. Stephenson, Oscar Flowers, L. T. Wright, LaRue Norris, W. A. Revious, Carl Blackmore, J. W. Putman, Carl Carter, Roy Bailey, Ray Phagan, McDonald, Ira Ferguson and the hostess, Mrs. Gunter.

Baptists Have Bible Study

Circles of the Baptist Missionary ociety met Thursday afternoon for Bible study.

The Williams circle met in the home of Mrs. J. W. Cayler with Mrs. J. R. Thomas teaching the lesson. Mrs. Arthur Daniel and Mrs. C. H. Williams led the prayers. Refreshments were served to Mesdames Ira Ferguson, J. W. Putman, O. E. Bruner, R. L. Smoot, J. R. Gunter, Daniel, T. M. Wright, O. E. Carter, C. H. Williams, J. R. Thomas and Ray Phagan.

Mrs. A. K. Wooten was hostess to the Holland circle, with Mrs. R. H. Holland, chairman in charge. The Bible lesson was taught by Mrs. A. M. Horan. The refrshment plate was served to Mesdames A. M. Horan, G. D. Holt, T. P. McLain, Paul Bowen, Stanley Key, R. H. Holland, Clyde Cofer, Don Shockley and J. S. Slaughter.

Primary Group Has Party Thursday

The primary department of the Baptist Sunday school enjoyed their Christmas party last Thursday evening from five until six o'clock in the church recreation rooms.

Included among activities were the games led by Mrs. J. R. Thomas, the program of Christmas songs and readings by various department members and the Christmas carols sung by the group with Mrs. Virgil Castle at the piano.

Gifts from teachers of the department were presented the 36 children present and treats were also distributed.

Beginners Dept. Christmas Party

The Christmas party for the Beginners department of the Baptist Sunday school was an event of last Friday afternoon. The church recreation room, where the youngsters and their mothers gathered was decorated with a beautiful tree, and the individual juvenile tables were decorated for the occasion, also.

"The Night Before Christmas" was the motion picture reel shown during the afternoon by Willard Witt.

Gifts were presented their students by Mrs. Tom Evans, department superintendent, and Mesdames L. T. Wright, Willard Witt, E. E. Smith, Herman Morgan, P. Bowen and Miss Samuels [illegible].

Birthday Party On December 20

On Friday afternoon, December 20, Charles Easdon was honored at a party on his thirteenth birthday. His mother, Mrs. Frank Easdon was assisted by Mrs. R. L. Smoot, in the entertaining and serving.

The Easdon home, where the party was held, was gay in its holiday dress, and the group enjoyed a gift inspection and hours of games before the refreshments were served.

Guests were Donna Helton Florence, Martha and Mary Hummer, Fay Marie Beck, Jeanne Sutton, Betty Lawrence, Jean Connor, Alice Hacker, Donita Gunter, Norma Allen, Vernie Ferrington, L. C. Carter, R. L. Smoot, Jr., Max Sutton, Dean LaFever, Max and Freddy Dendy.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Walton were in Dumas Friday evening for the annual Christmas dinner and party of members of the Boxwell brothers' families, and all employees and their families.

Greeting Cards for every occa- Herald want ads.

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

Our most Hearty CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

We Wish You a Prosperous New Year

Goff's

Drive-In Grocery & Market

SEASON'S GREETINGS

Be glad that it's Christmas because of the pleasure you derive in giving — and the delight you feel in receiving gifts that tingle with the spirit of this great holiday season.

* * *

Be glad that it's Christmas because holly and evergreen, mistletoe and candlelight make a cheering sight — and greeting cards are a joy to collect! Here is our messoge to add to your collection — "Merry Christmas!"

Happy New Year

Daley Glass Shop

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Daley — Mr. and Mrs. Garland Daley — Mr. and Mrs. Phil Daley

Christmas Greetings

TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

AS CHRISTMAS LIGHTS twinkle merrily in your living room, may they reveal your face lighted up with a smile of genuine happiness and contentment.

MAY THEY DISCLOSE the forms of your loved ones by your side, enjoying with you the choicest fellowship and heartiest joys of the season.

MAY THE GLOW of the Holiday radiance remain with you and them to keep your hearts warm and bright with the good things of life throughout the coming year.

PLEASE ACCEPT OUR THANKS for your patronage during the year that is now drawing to a close, and permit us to wish you Good Health, Happiness and Prosperity for 1947.

COMMUNITY PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY

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Priced $475 Up

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ROOM HOUSE for Sale. 24 hardwood floors. To be Located 2½ miles NE of on Fred Huston farm. 43-tf-c

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DSON Club Coupe for sale. 1946 motor. Excellent condition tires. Also one girls' bicycle Lewis Emerick at Perryton School. 51-2t-c

CHEVROLET COACH for sale or trade for stock. Clyde Perryton, Route A. 49-4tp

WHEEL TRAILER for sale; 1936 Ford wheels, tires and tube high chair. See Elmer 49-tfc

TRAILER for sale. 218 SE 47-tf-c

SALE—New 1946 Oldsmobile. E. Shackelford at the Texas Phone 171. 52-1t-p

Farm Machinery

800 WATT 32 VOLT WINDER for sale. Complete with 10-year guaranteed Gould Was $1,250.00, for quick $900.00. Kent and Apple. 48-tf-c

ROAD OF STEEL TOWERS.— sizes and heights. Also windmill and wood storage tanks for Just arrived. Buy now before go up. J. M. Blasingame at Ochiltree. 42-tf-c

For All Sizes
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See
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36-tf-c

Miscellaneous

SHARP SAND now available. Loaded on truck for $1 per Located on French farm, between as the old Voght place north, 4 west, ½ south, ½ of Perryton. Travis French Okla. 40-tf-c

ED TILEBOARD for sale. See Pletcher or call 195 49-tf-

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RIE HAY FOR SALE By on lots. Joe Buckhaults, 715 S St. 40-tf-

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MISCELLANEOUS

HOW ABOUT A VACATION? Anyone desiring a weeks vacation trip to the lower Rio Grande Valley, please contact A. N. (Fred) Dowers at Sibley Jines Real Estate office before Jan. 1. 51-2t-c

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LOST & FOUND

COAT lost in McMillen district. Navy issue, size 38. Will pay $5 reward for the return. Orvin Camp. 49-4tp

FAN Wolf Hound lost: about 22" tall, had name plate "W. Perkins" on collar. $20 reward for return. Sanford Drug or Whitey Perkins. 52-2t-p

GLOVES FOUND—Ladies gloves on Main St. Owner may have same by identifying and paying for this ad. 52-1t-c

CLUBS and LODGES

OCHILTREE LODGE NO. 910 A. F. & A. M., regular meeting first Friday night of each month. Jack Holden, W. M.; Herman Hargrove, Secretary.

The number of veterans reported to be in on-the-job training or in schools at the end of August was 1,249,022, an increase of 8 per cent over the July 31 figure, Veterans Administration announced.

WANTED

SEWING WANTED: appointment afternoons, and evenings only. Mrs. Ruth Seitz in L. R. Norris garage apartment. 50-3t-p

HOGS WANTED—Ceiling prices on tops, others according to grade. Also can use about 200 good pigs 40 lbs. or over. W. S. Newell. Phone 295 Canadian, Texas. 50-tf-

RAGS WANTED
We will pay 5c per pound in cash or will allow 7½c per pound on subscriptions to the Ochiltree County Herald, for clean cotton rags. No overalls, socks or rayon underwear accepted. CLEAN, COTTON rags only. 19-dh

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New York was the first city in the United States to have tracked vehicle — horse-drawn trolley cars cars.

In early times the equivalent of the modern hairpin was called a "bodkin."

Christopher Columbus was a weaver, his father's trade, until after he was 21.

CARD OF THANKS

Mere words can never express my appreciation of the kind and efficient care of my nurses and for the flowers, visits and messages by friends during my hospital stay.
Mrs. Jerald Jones 52-1t-p

Program Service For Study and Discussion Groups

Study and discussion groups over the Southwest may take on a new high interest and rating through the program Service now being offered by the Readers Digest, believes Donald Day Southwestern editor of the magazine. The fast growing popularity of the Program Service and the popularity of its monthly pockets, Discussion Outlines and Special Discussion Guide, indicate that people everywhere are becoming more and more interested in intelligently directed discussion of modern topics and problems.

The service, according to Mr. Day, provides for civic clubs, educational groups, women's study clubs, school, university and other groups, discussion outlines on three or four significant topics based on articles in the current Reader's Digest and arranged for lecture, debate, panel or round table. Excellent bibliographies for further study are given. Subjects such as Community Welfare, International Relations, Educational, Labor-Management Problems are used and related reading lists and suggested questions are included. Special discussion guides now available include: Meet Your Neighbor, China; A Yardstick for Leadership; Making over our Home Town; Will Compulsory Military Training be Good or Bad for our Boys? Youth Power, The Hope of Tomorrow; Tomorow's High School; The Anatomy of Peace; Meet Your Neighbor Modern Scandinavia; Science in Our Time, America Through Biography; Your New World Constitution.

The Program Service also provides a Chairman's Guide and special subject guides. It is issued nine months out of the year and is free to any interested organization or individual with the exception of a fee of $1 to cover postage and handling. Clubs or individuals interested may write Program Service, The Reader's Digest, Pleasantville, New York.

CARD OF THANKS

To those many friends who were so kind and thoughtful to visit me, send cards and flowers during my hospital stay, I am indeed grateful. A big thank you and a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you.
Gene Stinson 52-1t-c

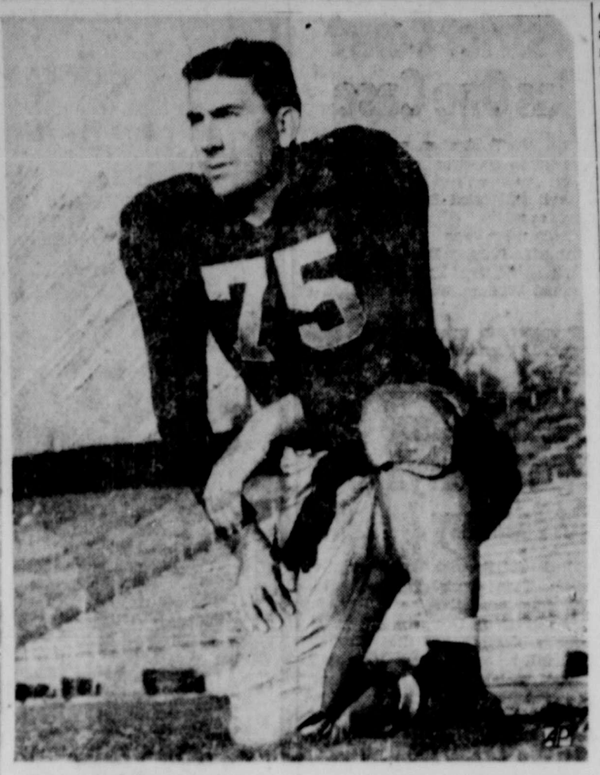
The 25,000,000 people who live on U. S. farms constitute about 16 per cent of the total population.

Agriculture is the principal source of income for more than 50 per cent of the U. S. population.

The ornamental top of a column or pilaster is called the capital, or "cap."

After butterfat, or cream, is removed from whole milk, the resulting skim milk constitutes more than one-half the weight of the whole milk.

YEAR'S TOP MILER — Leslie MacMitchell, former NYU star who served 38 months in the Navy, returned to the cinder path this year to regain his spot as this country's No. 1 miler. His victories were the Philadelphia, Wanamaker, Boston, Baxter, Columbia, National AAU, Zamperini and Canadian mile runs.



BURLY ARKANSAS TACKLE Jim Minor (above), six-foot-two, 225-pound junior, will be in the starting lineup for the Arkansas Razorbacks against LSU in the Cotton Bowl at Dallas New Years day. (AP) Photo.

Texas Today

By DAVE CHEAVENS
Associated Press Staff

AUSTIN, Tex. Dec. 21 (AP)—The patch-plastered constitution of 1876 which Texans started amending just three years after its adoption has a home but no proper bed to sleep in.

The original document is inscribed on common brittle paper within the binding of a legal-size black book. It may be found in any one of several places on the second floor of the fireproof concrete and steel vault in the office of the secretary of state.

Usually it rests on a table, but there is no regularly alloted filing space for it. It is just there, and if it continues to deteriorate, future generations may have a hard time finding anything but tattered pages covered with fine but faded script.

Texans apparently are not greatly concerned about the condition of some of the state's irreplaceable records of the republic and of statehood. The secretary of state does what he can about it with available space and available funds.

A reporter inquiring recently into the mechanical process of amending the constitution found that the document of 1876 actually is not amended at all, except in the commercially-printed legal books and the biennially-published legislative handbook.

No notations of any sort are made on the original document indicating that its text has been changed approximately 90 times since 1879. Elsewhere in the secretary of state's office there are, of course, full records of amendment submissions and what the electorate did about them.

But no appropriation has ever been made to supplement the original document to bring it up to date. No provision has been made to preserve it with special care such as treating its pages to prevent deterioration.

More than half of all the amendments submitted since 1879 have found favor with the voters, which definitely makes the old constitution not what she used to be. Eight constitutional changes in all emerged from the last legislative session, and the electorate took seven of them.

From 1876 until 1883 there were five amendments adopted, and no proposals made to hold a constitutional convention to do a complete rewrite job. Hardly a session has passed since then where there were not from one to half a dozen proposals to call such a convention. They died variously of dry rot, in committee, or by direct vote. One convention call made some progress in the 49th legislature, but also fell by the wayside.

Already there have been half a dozen advance notices of proposed amendments to come before the 50th legislature meeting in January, and the chances are pretty good several will be adopted for submission to the voters.

Greeting Cards for every occasion at Stewart Printing Co.

Old Fashioned Yuletide Greetings 1946

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

Roy Cudd's Texaco Service
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Christmas greetings to all our friends

MANY are the times through the year, when we'd like to be able to stop and chat in a friendly way with all of you—but busy-ness prevents our taking the time to exchange pleasantries.

With the Christmas season at hand however, we take the opportunity to say in print, to one and all, how much we value your confidence and friendship—how much we look forward to being better able to serve you. And may your future be as bright as the holly in your windows—the flickering flames in your fireplace—and the shine in Santa's eye!

Drs. Kengle and Pearson

IN ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE Clyde Smith (left) of Woodville, Texas, will become chief of the trial and appellate division of the Texas Attorney General's office, attorney general elect Price Daniel announced. Daniel said Ocie Speer (right) veteran jurist had been appointed interim chief of the trial and appellate division. Speer now is assistant attorney general. (AP) Photo.

Two Youths Arrested [illegible] Wanted Here

Sheriff Bill Lance left Thursday [illegible] for Barstow, California to bring back two youths arrested on suspicion of having burglarized the Castle Dry Goods company Tuesday night and were also suspected as the two thieves who stole Dr. Roy Smith's automobile that night.

The two youths were apprehended by Barstow police [illegible] got off the train in the city. Police at Canadian learned from the youths answering the descriptions of the burglars had purchased train tickets in Canadian and had left for the west. Warned by the Canadian police [illegible] description of the youths checked to Barstow and other points along the line.

The Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D. C., was erected at a cost of $3,000,000.

HORSE OF THE YEAR—Assault, 3-year-old colt owned by the King Ranch of Texas was proclaimed horse of the year. He finished the year with a grand total of $424,195 in winnings, surpassing the record earned by Gallant Fox in 1930. He won the Kentuucky Derby, Preakness and Belmont, in spite of a malformed right forehoof.

District Court Has One Case

Baxter T. Archer, young Perryton attorney, was elected special judge by members of the bar for civil suit tried Saturday in district court.

Judgement was found for the plaintiff, Ralph Durham, in his trespass to try title suit brought against William Wallace Brandt, et al.

Property in question was lot 4, block 1, Glendale addition of Perryton.

Social Welfare Man in Perryton On January 7

Cled F. Prewitt, representative of the Texas Social Welfare office, has announced that he will not be in Perryton on Decmeber 27, as originally planned, but that his next visit will be on Tuesday, January 7.

The Social Welfare offices over the state are observing a holiday from December 23 to December 27, Pruitt stated.

Special Meeting Of Commissioners Held December 31

A special meeting of the county commissioners' court will be held on Tuesday, December 31 for the purpose of installing the two new members of the court, Judge Dave Shanks announced this week.

The two new commissioners are Clyde Divers from precinct 1, and Harlan Hawk from precinct 2. They will serve on the court with present commissioners Audie Conley from precinct 3 and George Jackson from precinct 4.

There are 360 islands and islets in the Berumdas group.

O, come let us adore Him

Clear, sweet and strong the many voices of the choir rise as one to praise Him. For it is His birth date . . . anniversary of the beginning of a new concept of love and brotherhood for all mankind. We see again how He brought light into the darkness; how He fed the hungry, slaked the parched and healed the suffering. We sing again, psalms of joy in His coming . . . hymns of faith in His undying spirit . . . songs of love which are veritable paeans of glory reverberating around the world to guide all His children toward an everlasting realization of Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men.

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Traditions and Customs Are Bequeathed by Ancient World

Early Christians did not celebrate the birthday of Christ. It was not the Fourth century that December 25 came to be accepted as the med anniversary of the great event. In that year Pope Gregory t this day officially. His intention was partly to absorb the old n festival of the returning sun (the winter solstice on December 22) Christian feast. A number of pagan celebrations were overlapped his manner during the first centuries of Christianity.

In Great Britain, for instance, the "Lord of Misrule" led the frolicking, ding, and carol singing. This period of pranks and general foolish- is supposed to have descended from the Saturnalia of pagan Rome. a few Britons now follow this jolly old custom.

Nativity Plays.

The Santa Claus tradition represents the combining of a number of ly differing relics of old superstitions and beliefs. The northern Euro- in pre-Christian times believed in a spirit oods and fields who had to be placated now then, or he would ruin the harvests. This was known in Norway as the "Nisse," and rious names in other Scandinavian countries. still a custom in rural regions for children out porridge and beer on Christmas Eve to the Nisse. He is merging, however, with opular figure of Santa Claus.

n Britain the character known as "Father tmas" is supposed to be a Christian version is ancient spirit of the fields. The Dutch Klass, or St. Nicholas, is still recognizable e good bishop of Myra in Dutch plays, but is being absorbed in the more popular ver- of Santa Claus, the fat, red-coated little man with the big bag of nts. This idea of Santa Claus is a south German interpretation. In parts of Germany the dispenser of gifts is "Dame Bertha." The m of hanging up stockings comes from Italy.

Switzerland has developed the custom of parading from house to house singing carols in a picturesque way. Costumes are remarkable. Young men and women wear headdresses representing houses, ships, mountains, and so forth. Huge sleigh bells tinkle from their waists and shoulders. These Swiss carolers also have a peculiar dance used only on Chrismas Eve. In Switzerland, as in other southern European countries, the gifts are brought to good children, not by Santa Claus, but by the Christ Child, who comes from the North Pole in a fairy sleigh.

In many German villages an old man with a small drum marches about the house after the Christmas dinner, leading a procession. His drum is to frighen away any witches who might have come into the house during the year. He finally reaches the last room where the Christmas tree d, laden with presents.

Mexican Christmas.

Mexican Christmas Eve is a pretty combination of the religious and festive observance. There is a dance in every village until midnight. e stroke of twelve the musicians play a mystical sacred melody, everyone converges in front of the "nacimiento," or crib representa- Then the oldest woman present picks up the image of the Christ and marches slowly to the church, followed by all the villagers. enter the church for the midnight mass. When this is over, the g and revelry, complete with fireworks, recommences, and lasts dawn.

Members of the Orthodox Greek church, who cling to the old style cal- r, celebrate Christ's birthday on January 6. Many people in Greece, a, Romania and other Balkan states, as well ny Russians, belong to the Orthodox church. Christmas feast traditionally begins with a f "kutya," which is a combination of wheat, ground poppy seed and pecans. Mushroom fruit, fish and nuts are also served. A small of hay is spread under the table cloth to humility for Christ's birth in a stable. Polish also follow this last custom.

e every country and every district often has n special ways of keeping Christmas. The d States, being composed of people from ev- ers, has received customs from every peo- d has adopted those it liked, and altered to fit the American style. So it has been Santa Claus, the Christmas tree, holly and mistletoe, the Christmas and carols, the luscious menus—everything has been gladly taken with thanks to the many nations and peoples that have bequeathed to us.

Faith and Peace Are Eternal . . .

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

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

It is generally immaterial that, as puppet king of Judea, Herod fortified the kingdom and kept it out of the clutches of Cleopatra, rebuilt the city of Samaria, and endowed several pagan temples long since crumbled into dust. Few people know, and fewer care, that his wife and two sons were murdered at his command. This sort of a Romanized Jew, is remembered chiefly because of his hypocritical treatment of the Wise Men and because he authorized the slaughter of the Holy Innocents—and even this deed of incredible cruelty might have been forgotten if the Innocents were not associated with the Babe of Bethlehem who grew into the Christ and bequeathed a new philosophy of love and peace to all mankind.

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

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

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

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

Lyons First Born Welcomed Warmly

". . . But the Son of Man hath not where to lay his head."—St. Matthew 8:20.

At Foundling hospital in Lyons, France, the first infant received on Christmas Day is luxuriously welcomed with great ceremony: the tradition contrasting the lot of the infant Saviour and that of one of His most helpless little ones.

The earliest recorded history of China begins in 2356 B. C.

WHITE HOUSE CHRISTMAS . . . The White House Christmas tree in the East Room. Presents are for the children of White House employees.

hen the Infant Jesus Selected His Playmate

cording to various legends, the Family travels about on Christ- Eve. Long ago—in England— babies were carried to the bold at midnight. If the child vered, it had been healed by passing Christ; if the baby died, Holy Child had chosen the in- to be His playmate in heaven.

e town of Goshen is the most ted township in Connecticut.

In the 1730's dressed wild turkeys sold for a penny and a half a pound in western Massachusetts.

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Uncle Sam Becomes 'The Wretched Poor'

PIERRE, S. D.,(AP)—The U. S. Treasury with a 270 billion dollar deficit has been enriched $1 annually for nine years, through the deadletter office, thanks to an anonymous Santa Claus who addresses his gift to "The Wretched Poor, Pierre, S. D."

Postmaster R. Y. Bagby has urged the benevolent soul, who mails his donation from Onida, S. D., to send it to some charity since there is no person legally known as "The Wretched Poor" in Pierre.

Herald Classifieds get Results!

GREETINGS

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

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Representative for Southwestern Life Insurance Co.

Christmas Away From Home

The thousands of men still in service mark Christmas in many ways.

Upper: A West coast naval hospital, typical of many taking care of wounded servicemen and women during the Christmas holidays.

Left: Sgt. Winford A. Tarver, Arkadelphia, Ark., opens his first Christmas package in China, where many servicemen this year are being remembered.

Right: Silent Night. There's a deep meaning in "Silent Night, Holy Night" for the men of the armed forces and also a new and deeper meaning to the words: "It Is More Blessed to Give—." Fighting men die even in the season of peace. This drawing by Coast Guard Combat Artist Ken P. Riley, of Parsons, Kansas, showing Christmas Eve at sea as young coastguardsman makes the great sacrifice, attracted wide attention last year.

Left: Crew aboard ship, somewhere in foreign waters, decorate their Christmas tree.

Lower left: Ladies of the marines make their selection of Christmas presents for those back home.

Lower right: In Europe, three G.I. Joes from Los Angeles open their presents from home.

HERALD CLASSIFIED ADS GET RESULTS!

Christmas Tree And Decorations Are Fire Hazard

Fire hazards lurk in your Christmas tree and in the decorations that make it gay. Carefulness is therefore the watchword in order to prevent tragic accidents.

A few sensible precautions, plus the use of fireproofing chemicals, can provide you with insurance against damage.

First of all, remember that a fresh cut tree will not take fire any more easily during the first day or two than would the evergreen shrubs growing outside your window. But the fire hazard grows after that.

So the best procedure is to bring in a fresh tree as short a time before Christmas as possible and remove it as soon afterwards as you can. Be careful in placing your tree in the home. Set it well away from stoves, radiators and other sources of heat. Above all, when you smoke, keep away from the tree.

Use Special Safeguards.

If you want to keep your tree from a week or more before Christmas until after New Year's day, special safeguards are necessary. One of these is to see that the base of the tree stands in a container of water. Cut off the base of the tree at an angle at least 1 inch above the original cut and see that the water level is always kept above the cut. This helps keep the tree fresh and reduces the chances of fire.

A Tie Christmas will serve as a postwar necessity.

Another and important safeguard is to use a chemical flameproofing solution.

Dissolve one pound of sodium-chloride in one and one-half pints of water. That will take care of a tree that weighs approximately four pounds. If the tree weighs eight pounds, use two pounds of chemical and three pints of water.

Put the solution in the container in which the tree stands. Let the tree soak up as much of the chemical solution as possible. In case calcium chloride is not available, ammonium sulfate will be highly satisfactory.

First Watch Night Service Held by Pioneers in 1770

In addition to the more or less hilarious secular celebrations on New Year's Eve, many religious denominations hold special "watch-night" services from nine or ten to twelve o'clock.

The custom was inaugurated by St. George Methodist Episcopal church in Philadelphia, where the first "watch-night" service was held in 1770.

HERALD ADS BRING RESULTS!

Ask Me About My Business

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Southern Customs Have Remained at Christmas

Negro families of Virginia have their own traditional method of gift-giving.

On Christmas Eve a large sheet is spread over the dining room table with a box placed here and there to raise the sheet above table level. Each member of the household writes his name on a slip of paper and pins it to the sheet.

Gifts are sneaked in during the night and placed under the names of the persons for whom they are intended: even the youngest children forbear to "snoop" until the morning and removal of the sheet reveals all the presents.

Years ago, eggnog was served while breakfast was being prepared—such a breakfast that no one paid much attention to Christmas dinner. When friends dropped in, everyone had something to eat so that families just sort of "pieced" all day.

President John Adams used to drink a quart tankard of hard cider before breakfast.

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THREE YULE 'FIRSTS'

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

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

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

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

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

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

Deciphers Story of Old Syrian Tablet

A scholar at Yale university recently translated an inscription on a clay tablet found in Northern Syria which comprised "the oldest known narrative of the miraculous birth of an exceptional child," antedating similar tales familiar in Old Testament literature.

The ancient tablet was one of several unearthed during a series of archeological expeditions begun in 1929 at Ras Shamra, the site of ancient Ugarit, and the translation was made by Dr. Julian J. Obermann, director of Judaica research at Yale.

He said the inscription, in cuneiform alphabet, formed the prologue of a Canaanite saga about a certain Daniel, who lived more than 1,000 years before his namesake who invaded the lions' den, and how he begat a son named Aqhat.

Santa Claus By.. .. Any Other Name

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

California Has Mile Long Avenue of Lighted Trees

The trees comprising the mile long Avenue of Christmas Trees in Altadena, Calif., are descendants of the Deodar Cedars of India which grow upon the slopes of the Himalayas.

While traveling in India in 1882, Capt. Frederick J. Woodbury gathered the seeds which he planted later on his ranch in California. When the seedlings were about two feet tall, the captain's sons transplanted them to line the wire driveway leading to the ranch residence.

The once private driveway at the foot of the Sierra mountains is now a busy public thoroughfare and Captain Woodbury's seedlings, luminated each year at Christmas, attract thousands of visitors annually.

HERALD ADS BRING RESULTS!

Christmas Minus a Santa Claus

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

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

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

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

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

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

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... sending Christmas greetings ... the husband in service is not ...me on furlough, a simple note ... be added to the greeting, ...g, "John's wishes are included ... mine and we hope to see you ... next he is home on furlough." ...certain both names are on the ...

...ether the card is sent to a per... in service or to someone in the ...ediate circle of friends and ...ives, it is always wise to be

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...in that the card chosen reflects ...degree of intimacy that exists. ...ing first names, or even affec... nicknames is permissible ...Christmas cards for close friends ...relatives. Some married couples ... retain the formal "Mr. (or ...ain) and Mrs. Jones. Most ...ger couples, however, prefer the ...ller "John and Alice Jones." ... perfectly proper to include the ...ren's names and even the name ...e family Scottie. Or make the ...ture all-inclusive and simpler ...ting "The John Lanes."

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Christmas Traditions
WHAT THEY MEAN

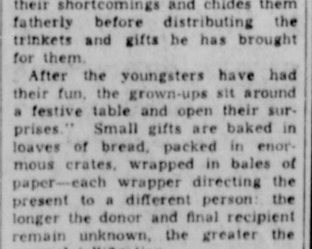
AT one o'clock on Christmas morning, whenever they were free to do so, the cattle would turn their heads to the eastward, get down on their knees to worship the King that was born in a stable. During the Christmas season the barnyard cocks were accustomed to crow with more than usual force. Special food was provided for birds and animals.

TO illustrate Clement Clark Moore's poem, "A Visit to St. Nichols," Thomas Nash located Santa's home at the North Pole and gave him a sleigh drawn by reindeer. He drew the familiar fat, merry old fellow with red cheeks and white beard, dressed in red, wearing a cap and boots, carrying a pack of toys and smoking a short pipe. Santa was given a spyglass to locate the good children and a book in which to enter their names.

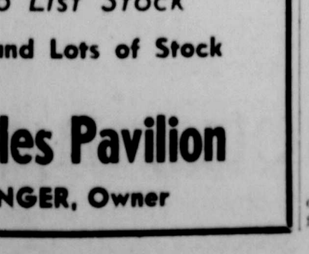
THE practice of placing burning candles in the windows on Christmas Eve is a continuation of an Irish custom, bound up with the thought of the Christ Child out alone in the cold and dark and requiring to be lighted on His way. The blazing Yule log, radiating warmth, was also emblematic of Christ as the light of the world.

TREES were first decorated by hanging apples and fruit on them. It was declared that all of the trees in the forest blossomed and bore fruit the night of our Lord's Nativity. The lights on the tree were a gift from Martin Luther, who one Christmas Eve saw the stars peering through the branches of the forest pines. Wanting to share the beauty, he brought home a lighted tree.

THE stockings the children of today hang by the fireplace were once the wooden shoes of the children of Amsterdam. With the passing of wooden shoes, the children hopefully begin to hang their stockings by the fire instead. The apples and nuts placed in the stockings are symbolic of love and fertility.



ST. FRANCIS of Assisi is accredited as having been the popularizer of carol singing at Christmastime. He taught the faithful simple and tuneful melodies, and overjoyed by the success attending his presentation of the first Christmas Crib in 1223, he burst into joyous vocal recitation of the gospel story. One early bishop of the Church of England spoke of the angels' song on the morning of the nativity.



HOLLY, considered sacred by the Druids, who believed that its evergreen leaves attested to the fact that it was never deserted by the sun. Legends relate that the crown of thorns was plaited from the holly. Before the Crucifixion, the berries were white, but turned crimson like drops of blood. Whoever brings the Christmas holly into the house first, either husband or wife, is the one who will rule the ensuing year.

In the 50 years before World War II, Australia mined more than $10,000,000 worth of opals.

The young of some Australian birds have luminous tissue in or around their mouths to guide parents in feeding them.

HERALD ADS BRING RESULTS!

Saint Nicholas Day in Holland

When Christmas rolls around in Holland, it is quietly and religiously observed: St. Nicholas Day, December 6, is the day of gift-giving and jollification.

For weeks, life-sized figures of St. Nicholas have decorated shop windows and men dressed as Nicholas have stood in front of business establishments, and driven around in horse-drawn carts delivering parcels.

At last the great day arrives: if there are several children in the household, sometimes they are gathered together from neighboring households. Bishop Nicholas (dressed in full vestments and accompanied by his Moorish servant) attends the children's party and impresses them by his knowledge of their shortcomings and chides them fatherly before distributing the trinkets and gifts he has brought for them.

After the youngsters have had their fun, the grown-ups sit around a festive table and open their surprises." Small gifts are baked in loaves of bread, packed in enormous crates, wrapped in bales of paper—each wrapper directing the present to a different person: the longer the donor and final recipient remain unknown, the greater the general jollification.

Indicative of the spirit of the season, packages containing gifts are often entrusted to strange passers-by who are instructed to leave the parcel on such and such a doorstep and ring the bell.

The antlers of all deer, elk, and even the giant moose are manufactured and discarded each year.

Lincoln Issued Famous Emancipation January 1.

The Emancipation Proclamation was issued by Abraham Lincoln on New Year's Day, 1863.

The Proclamation abolished slavery in those states and parts of states which were in rebellion on that date and, though other days are observed in various parts of the country, January 1 is the date most generally observed as Emancipation Day.

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

Answers

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

HERALD ADS BRING RESULTS!

Christmas Was At One Time Illegal

The Puritans disliked the celebration of Christmas, preferring their own celebration of Thanksgiving.

In 1659 the high court of Massachusetts held that "anybody who is found observing, by abstinence from labor, feasting or any other way such day as Christmas Day shall for each and every offense be fined five shillings."

The giant tree frog grows to a length of three to five inches, compared with two inches for other tree frogs.

Saint Sylvester's Feast Day Marks End of Year

The feast of St. Sylvester, who was Pope from 314 A. D. until his death in 335, is observed by the Roman and Anglican churches on December 31.

In Germany and Belgium the morning of St. Sylvester's Day is commemorated religiously, while the afternoon and evening are devoted to various kinds of horseplay in anticipation of the coming New Year.

Cotton yarn is twisted in a new fabric which is elastic without the use of rubber.

Casing for sausages is made of two types: animal and cellulose. Animal casing is made of the small intestine of the sheep, the large and small intestine of hogs, and the intestines, appendix, bladder, and gullet lining of cattle.

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

SELL with WANT-ADS

Christmas Greetings

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

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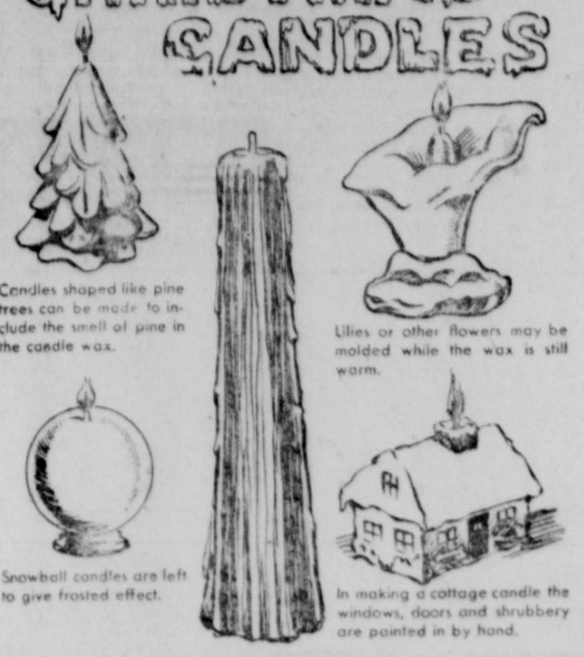
CHRISTMAS CANDLES



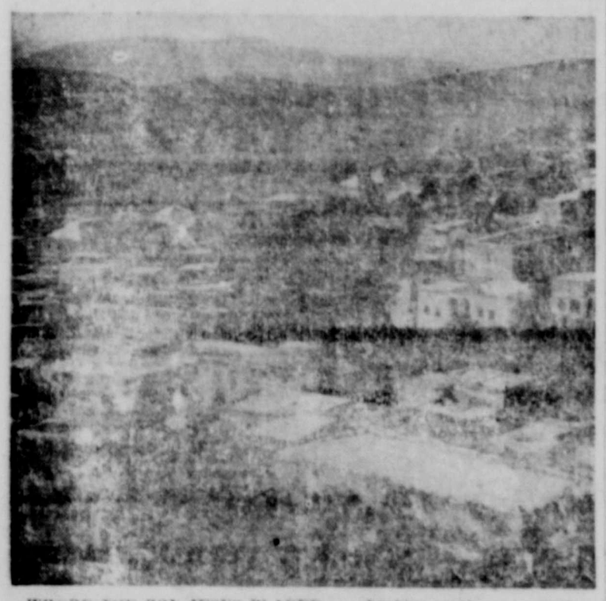
Candles shaped like pine trees can be made to include the smell of pine in the candle wax.

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

Snowball candles are left to give frosted effect.

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

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

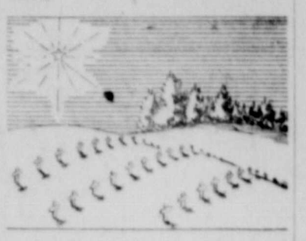


WHERE THE BOY JESUS PLAYED . . . Looking southeast from the Hill of Precipitation, Nazareth, is shown the view where the boy Jesus played. .

Leading Carols

By LYN CONNELLY

A SONG which made its appearance in 1942 entitled "White Christmas," is in its fourth year and well on its way to permanent recognition as a Christmas favorite.



The amazing popularity of "White Christmas" as a yuletide song reached its peak last year when a poll conducted to establish the favorite carol of servicemen revealed that 22 per cent of the votes went to this early war song written especially for the occasion by Irving Berlin, graduate of Tin Pan Alley.

The birth of the song was entirely by accident despite rumors to the contrary which attribute its conception to the war. Actually, it was composed in 1940. A Hollywood studio had an idea for a motion picture to be called "Holiday Inn," co-starring Fred Astaire and Bing Crosby. The theme of the picture was based on the holidays of the year and a song was needed to represent each holiday. Irving Berlin was contracted for the compositions. The picture, released in 1942, was synonymous with our second wartime Christmas, and in that year the song sold one million copies in four months. Although nothing is done on the part of the publishers to exploit the song, it automatically rings the register each year as the holiday season approaches. Berlin calls it his favorite song, with the exception of his "God Bless America" written during World War I. "It's difficult to predict a song's future," says Berlin, "but judging from its past, I would say "White Christmas" has a very good chance of becoming a permanent song along with other Christmas carols."

Seven states—Mississippi, California, Nevada, Ohio, Oregon, Tennessee and Washington—have adopted birth cards instead of certificates.

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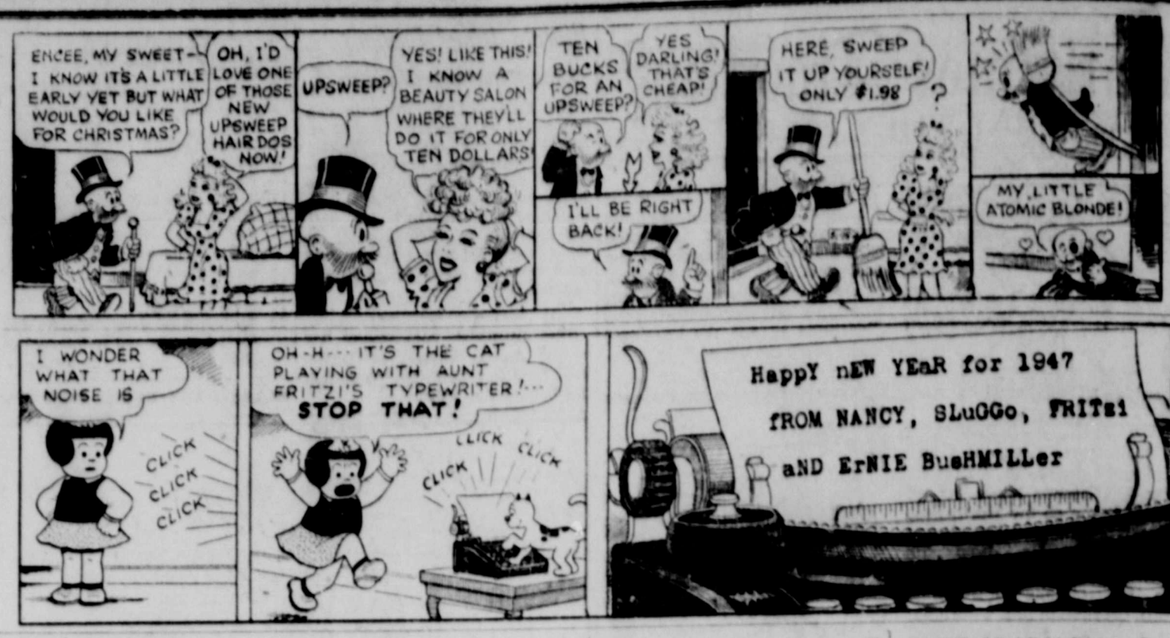

Baptist Methodists In Majority at Tech

LUBBOCK, Dec. 9—An overwhelming majority of the 5366 students enrolled at Texas Technological College are either Baptists or Methodists, according to figures released from the office of the registrar.

Baptists are leading the field with 1781 members, and Methodists are close behind with 1701. Presbyterians are third with 430 members. Although most of the students are Protestant, 162 are Catholic, nine are Jewish and one student is a Moslem. Memberships of remaining students are distributed among 18 other denominations and sects.

More different kinds of the kingfisher bird are found in New Guinea than any other part of the world.

The custom of serving cranberry sauce originated in New England.

In 1845, Litchfield County, Conn., produced 2,750,000 pounds of cheese.

Two English sailors planted the British flag at the Cape of Good Hope in 1620.

In early times the residents of Vermont drank cider for breakfast.

Each year an estimated 2,500,000 pounds of sausage are consumed in the United States.

Iran was known as Persia for 2500 years. It has born its present name since 1935.

The Union of South Africa was established in 1910.

Says clever little Joan: "Cut colored tabs to suit each From handy MAK-UR-OWN."

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On this gay, spirited Christmas, our best wishes go to all our friends for the happiest and most joyous Christmas ever! And coupled with our sincere felicitations is a "thank you" for your appreciated patronage. A merry, merry Christmas to one and all!

Hobbs Motor Co.

AND BEST WISHES

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It is with the deepest sincerity that we extend our best wishes to all our friends this glorious Christmas. May your every wish be fulfilled and may the joys that fill your hearts serve as happy memories in the many months to come.

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Anderson Manufacturing Co.

Merry Christmas To All . . .

SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

FAITH . . . *faith in our homes and community . . . faith in the future . . . faith in men of good will, eternally — this is the essence of the Christmas season.*

CHRISTMAS *should be a time of joy, and we hope that this Christmas of 1946 will be rich in good cheer and true happiness for all who read this message.*

Perryton Business and Professional Men Join in Expressing Sincere Thanks to Citizens of this Community for Your Loyal Support, Patience and Understanding During the Past Year. May You Enjoy a Merry Christmas and May the New Year Bring You Health, Happiness and Prosperity.

Perryton Business Houses Will Be Closed On Christmas Day, Wednesday, December 25

With The Exception of a Few Whose Closing W ould Seriously Affect Important Service to the Public

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Perryton Chamber of Commerce

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STAR OF THE EAST

Star of the East, that long ago
Brought wise men on their way
Where, angels singing to and fro,
The Child of Bethlehem lay—
Above the Syrian hill afar
Thou shinest out tonight, O Star!

Star of the East, the night were drear,
But for the tender grace
That with thy glory comes to cheer
Earth's loneliest, darkest place;
For by that charity we see
Where there is hope for all—and me.

Star of the East, show us the way
In wisdom undefiled
To seek that manger out and lay
Our gifts before the Child—
To bring our hearts and offer them
Unto our King in Bethlehem!

Eugene Field

Surplus Property Rules Change

FORT WORTH Dec. 10 — Two important changes in the interests of serving veterans of World War II is acquiring surplus property were made by War Assets Administration this past week. From now on, all veterans who hold WAA certificates will be sold on a "first come, first served" basis, regardless of the number of certificates according to J. S. Gish, chief of the veterans division in Fort Worth.

Further certificates will be issued for the numerous items on the WAA "set aside" list due to large number of unfilled certificates nationally. A speed up drive is to be made endeavoring to sell all "set aside" items to veterans by February 28.

Indian cliff dwellings and communal apartment houses in north-central New Mexico were at the height of their development when Coronado penetrated the Valley of the Rio Grande in 1540.

In a recent seven month period sea-going vessels brought to the United States more than 1,500,000 pounds of coffee—enough to make well over 60,000,000 cups, according to Ships.

Season's Greetings

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

Crisp Jewelry

CHRISTMAS Greetings

Christmas gives us the opportunity to express our joyful wishes to all our faithful friends and wish them a "Merry Christmas!"

Dewey R. Allen

Day of Days

MARY CRANE emptied the last tub and stood it against the shed to drain, sighing her thanks that if she must wash clothes on Christmas Day the job was at least over and done with by noon. She had just returned to the kitchen when a knock came at the door. It was her neighbor, Hattie Jamieson, decked out in her finest.

"Aren't you the one," Hattie exclaimed, "washing clothes on Christmas Day!"

Mary conceded it wasn't the best way to pass the day, but added that it must be done.

"I wonder if you'd do me a favor?" Hattie asked. "John and Fanny have asked us to come to town for Christmas dinner and the tree tonight. You know, times were a little tough for Henry and me this year, so I took those two little State orphans to board. Now, I don't want to leave them at home alone, and Fanny wouldn't want them to come mingle with her youngsters." She sighed faintly. "Would you let them come stay with you for the evening?"

"Why, of course," Mary replied, smiling. "It will make Christmas for me, who was spendin' it alone. What time will they come?"

"Fanny's sending the car for us about five o'clock, and we'll drop them off here on the way."

After Hattie had left, Mary mused that she didn't suppose the Lord thought Fanny's children too good to mingle with these two orphans, but after a moment she realized there was much to be done. By five o'clock she had walked to the store and spent her few pennies on two tiny pair of red mittens, which were now hanging on the little spruce tree Mary had cut in the back yard. And in the kitchen a hot, hearty supper was waiting.

Mary sat in the living room, waiting. "Lucky I did that extra washing today, so I feel justified spending those pennies on the youngsters. Those children must have a Christmas, and maybe—" she sighed—"I shan't have a home another year!"

Waiting there in the old rocker, her head dropped slowly, and Mary Crane fell asleep . . .

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"One thing I'd like to do before dinner," rich old Andrew Craig said to his wife. "S'pose there's time? You remember Mary Crane had some tough luck a few years back. She borrowed money from the bank on her house and couldn't keep up the payments. Well, the directors decided not to give her any more time.

"All tall and bright and—and beautiful."

"I couldn't help remembering our lean years, Sue, when Mary was our neighbor and worked day and night to pull you through pneumonia. So I just gathered in that debt—it was only a few hundreds—and had some papers made out to Mary. I'd kind of like to take them out to her on Christmas night."

Sue pulled his head down and kissed him. "It will take just 10 minutes to pack a basket for you to take along," she reckoned swiftly. "If you drive there and back in half an hour, you can do it. Remember, we have guests coming!"

It was snowing when Andrew alighted from the car. A lamp showed him Mary's kitchen through the window, the cheery tree, and the sleeping old lady. He tip-toed in and placed his basket on the table, papers on top. The latching of the door aroused Mary.

Her small guests rushed in a few minutes later to find Mary holding the papers to her heart, her face alight with joy.

"Merry Christmas, Mary," cried the little girl. "There was a man on your steps when we came down the lane. We saw him plain as could be!"

"You're right," said Mary. "Andrew Craig is a man, if ever there was one."

"Not the man in the fur coat," insisted the child. "It was another just behind him. All tall and bright and—and beautiful."

"Well," said Mary. "I'm not surprised. Some folks might say it was shadows and lamplight and snowflakes, but"—tapping the papers—"wherever there's things like this goin' on Christmas night, I'm persuaded He's there!"

Most farm animals do not sweat appreciably, and protect themselves against a rise in body temperature in hot weather by reducing their activities.

Karkantzari's Fear Of Burned Leather

Christmas fires burn brightly in Greek households throughout the holiday season and Macedonians save their old shoes for the purpose of burning them at Christmas time since the odor of burning leather is said to be offensive to the Karkantzari.

The Karkantzari are mysterious creatures which wander about the rural communities of Greece between Christmas and Epiphany. Dreaded because their gremlin-like tricks make life generally miserable for everybody, the Karkantzari are particularly fond of attacking and beating persons who are a bit drowsy after an unusually hearty meal.

Of course, the orthodox Greek priest effectively banishes the Karkantzari when he comes around with his copper vessel of holy water and cross entwined with sprigs of basil. The priest dips the cross into the vessel and sprinkles each room with the holy water—after which the Karkantzari are expected to disappear and not return until the following Christmas.

HERALD ADS BRING RESULTS!

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

Office Furniture at Herald office!

Welcome, New Year

WELCOME to you, New Year, enter newborn king—
Can you tell us something of the tidings that you bring?
Do you carry happiness,
Enough to last the year?
Do you sing a song of joy
To cast out doubt and fear?
Perhaps a balm for heartaches
You bring along with you;
Perhaps a key to friendships
To buoy us all year through.
We bid you welcome, New Year— our dreams we trust with you.
Forgetting ills of all the past, we start the book anew.

Christopher Columbus visited England and sailed in northern seas before embarking upon his voyage of discovery to the New World.

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Gregorian Calendar Was Slow in Adoption

Great Britain and her colonies adopted the Gregorian calendar in 1752; the Julian calendar having become 11 days slow by that time, parliament ordered that the day following September 3, 1752, would be September 14, and that the legal year should begin on January 1.

The Gregorian calendar is, in effect, a revision edition of the old Roman calendar. The ancient Roman year began with the month of March and ended with December, the 10th month. January and February were added in the course of time and the celebration of New Year's on January 1 began in 452 B. C.

Continental Europe had universally adopted the Gregorian calendar by 1700 but Great Britain, frowning upon anything originating in Rome as Popish, continued the use of the old calendar—with its legal year beginning on March 25—until the confusion arising from using a different calendar than the one used by continental Europe prompted the adoption of the Gregorian calendar in 1752.

Office Furniture at Herald office!

GRAND MASTER—Rev. Bruce Brannon (above), Presbyterian minister of Commerce, Tex., was installed at Waco, Tex., as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. He succeeded Pat M. Neff, president of Baylor University. (AP) Photo

There are desert tribes in Africa and the Near East wearing sandals almost identical with those made by the ancient Egyptians.

Greetings are pealing your way, for we are tolling the golden bells of the Yuletide Season to wish everyone the Merriest, Gayest and Most Jubilant Christmas ever.

Our Wish to All a

Happy and Prosperous New Year

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Candles Originally Were Symbols of Light and Joy

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

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

Letter To Santa

"I wrote a note to Santa Claus
I thought it would be fun.
I said I'd like a lot of things
Especially a gun.
But Father shook his head and said
That wise old Santa knew
I'd shoot myself or someone else
And that would never do.
So then I wrote and asked him for
A sleigh with jingle bells,
An auto, and a train of cars,
And a pound of caramels.
But sister May she cried
Oh, don't ask for all those noisy toys
And Santa knows that candy
Ain't good for little boys.
So then I wrote and asked him for
A music box to play
And a watch just like my father's
To tell the time of day.
But brother Tom he laughed and said
Your brain must be askew,
Old Santa never brings such things
To little kids like you.
At first I felt discouraged
But now I'm not because
My mother says that no one knows
The mind of Santa Claus.
She says it's safe to let him bring
Whatever he thinks best.
And mother has, I truly think,
More sense than all the rest."

Christmas School Program

THE BIG MOMENT ARRIVES . . . The annual school Christmas program has become an American institution. For months the teacher and students plan, organize and memorize their parts.

● It is said that the coming year's weather may be forecasted by cocking an eye at the sky during Christmas week. Here are a few of the beliefs; conflicting in many details:

● If the sun shines through the apple tree on Christmas Day, there will be a good crop the following year.

● If ice will bear a man before Christmas, it will not bear a mouse afterwards.

● Thunder and lightning Christmas week means much snow the balance of the winter.

● Rain causes more damage than frost before than after Christmas.

● At Christmas if meadows are green, at Easter they will be covered with frost.

● If windy Christmas Day, trees will bear much fruit.

● A wet Christmas means an empty granary and barrel.

● A green Christmas makes a fat graveyard.

● A warm Christmas means a cold Easter.

● A green Christmas is followed by a white Easter.

Many Are the Legends of Ancient Yule Log Customs

Old books and legends surround the Yule Log with much mystery and superstition.

Thus, it must be touched and lighted with scrupulously clean hands; certain types of persons—such as squinting or flatfooted—are unwelcome while it is burning and, should the fire go out during the night, bad luck is portended for the New Year.

Less superstitiously, Tyroleans decorate their Log with paper flowers and bright ribbons. Wine is poured over it by the youngest child of the household who offers a prayer that the fire may warm the cold, the hungry obtain food, the weary find rest, and all may enjoy heaven's blessing and peace.

Name of Jesus Found Carved in Palestine

Urns recently discovered in a cave on the Jerusalem-Bethlehem road, believed to be the oldest archeological record of Christianity, dating back to 70 A. D., contained the name of Jesus carved on them.

It is believed that the carving was made by an eyewitness to the crucifixion. They were found on 11 early Christian burial urns.

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

Christmas—In a New World

Stands Up for Rights To a Sit Down Job

ORANGEBURG, S. C., (AP)—Lever Metts, Orangeburg barber is opening a jewelry and gift shop because he is tired of standing up at his work.

"I have to stand up all the ti at this job," he said while cutti a customer's hair. "I've been doi it for 23 years and now I think is time to quit."

Try A Classified Ad Today!

Big game animals have increased in the United States during the recent years to more than 7,000,000 or one to every 19 human beings in the nation.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS and . . .
HAPPY NEW YEAR
And Many More Of Them
Ring out the OLD 1947 Ring in the NEW
to our many new friends,
to all our old friends,
and to friends still to be.
● We wish to thank you most cordially for past favors,
and look forward to
still greater and better service
to all of you in 1947.
CRUNK'S LAUNDRY

GREETINGS for the season

Christmas cheer is in the air!
Christmas Joy is everywhere!
Add our wishes that this be the
Merriest Holiday Season ever.

May 1947 Bring You Happiness and Prosperity
W. C. Bryan — Louis Bryan — Carter Burkhart
J. A. Graves — Lloyd Morgan — O. C. Shearer
Earl Love — Wesley Farrington — Vernie Farrington
Edith Tucker — Addie Cailey — Ruby Phelps
Bryan Food Store
"Everything to Eat"

Good Will to All

Holiday Greetings
WITH OUR BEST WISHES
To one and all go our heartiest wishes for the happiest Yuletide ever. May good cheer and good health be yours for all of 1947.
PERRY STUDIO
Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Perry

Family Christmas Held in Germany

Christmas is a family affair in Germany and preparations begin well in advance of the holiday.

The Advent Wreath is hung on the first Sunday in Advent. This large wreath has one red candle to begin with; an additional candle is added each Sunday until Christmas and paper stars are added daily. The stars are inscribed with Bible passages which are memorized by the children of the household.

Everyone occupies precious moments making gifts for loved ones; perhaps a soap rose, a paperweight, toys for the younger children, an embroidered handkerchief or a table cover; there are dozens of cookies and special cakes to be baked and everything must be finished the day before Christmas — stores and restaurants are closed, too—so that servants and tradespeople may spend Christmas Eve with their families.

After church services on Christmas Eve, one of the family goes into the parlor—where the Christmas tree has been set up and decorated with ornaments treasured from year to year. At the first notes of "O Tannebaum," the whole family rushes in and gathers around the tree; several familiar carols are sung, and then the presents are distributed.

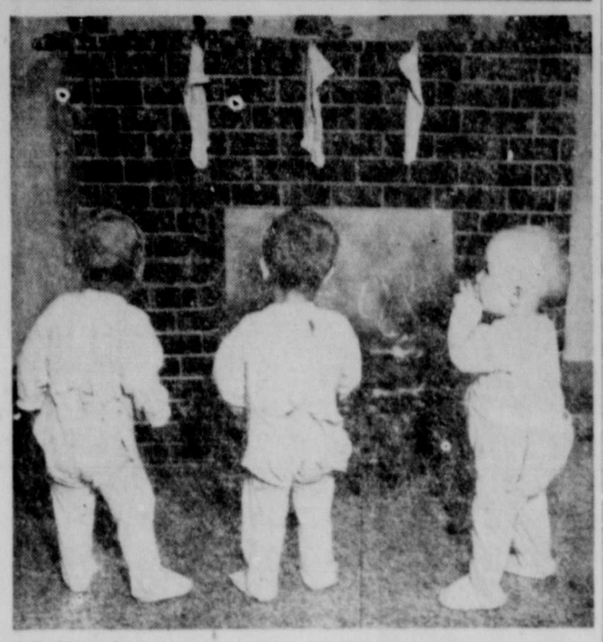
Sometimes Christmann — Father Christmas—joins the festivities and asks each child to say a verse; correct recitations are awarded by Christmann from pockets bulging with goodies and trinkets.

A new electronically heated glass vacuum evaporator evaporates about three quarts of water an hour, and is capable of concentrating enough penicillin in 24 hours to fill 20,000 ampules, each containing 100,000 units of the drug.

RING OUT, JOYOUS BELLS,

ring out the glad tidings! Ring loudly, like a host of angels' voices singing, that your mighty echo may touch the hearts of all men and lift them unto the splendor of this joyful celebration! Ring clear your message to the world that Christmas has come! And, with deepest eloquence, ring out our wishes to all that good health, good cheer and good fortune fill their cups to overflowing to make this the cheeriest, happiest and most wonderful Christmas season ever!

Ochiltree County



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

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First in the Blue with Something New!

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If you are interested in becoming the owner of a Culver V and would like to see it fly, mail this ad to

Davis Aircraft Co.

Box 491

Pampa, Texas

BEFORE YOU BUY, TRY SIMPLI-FLY!

GREETINGS!

Music and song and happiness everywhere! Lighted windows, green trees brilliant with glowing bulbs, all contributing to the grand sum total of Christmas.

It's fine to celebrate Christmas again this season of 1946, fine to have finished another year in this community of happy homes and friendly people.

To Each and All We Wish

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

MEN'S WEAR STORE

Roy Orrill

'White Christmas,' Modern Day Carol

Irving Berlin's "White Christmas" has definitely joined the procession of Christmas music! Lest we hesitate to admit so recent a creation to the inner sanctum of cherished traditions, let's see just how old some of our Christmas favorites really are.

Denmark launched the annual Christmas Seal campaign against tuberculosis in 1904; Dickens' "Christmas Carol" was written in 1843; Samuel Clement Moore wrote "The Night Before Christmas" in 1822; W. C. Dobson, one of Queen Victoria's favorite artists, dispatched the first Christmas card in 1845, and, historically, the first Christmas tree was set up in 1604.

One can imagine the first Christmas carol—the "Gloria in Excelsis" of the angels. However, of our popular Christmas carols today, "Adeste Fideles" is undoubtedly the oldest. Its origin is controversial; some say it was a graduale of the Cistercians, others date its composition variously—from 1250 to 1680. Even accepting 1680, "O Come All Ye Faithful" antedates—for example—"Hark, The Herald Angels Sing" (1730), "Silent Night" (1818), and "O Little Town of Bethlehem" (1868).

There's a lot of Christmas tied up in the confident expectancy of childhood and the nostalgic memories of grown-ups; so,

"May your days be merry and bright
And may all your Christmases be white."

Albinism

Albinism occurs more among birds than with mammals. Albinism must not be confused with the changes that take place with some birds and mammals on the approach of winter. The mountain hare, brown in summer, becomes white when the mountains are covered with snow. The ptarmigan, a rich mottled brown in the breeding season, is clothed in snowy white feathers in winter.

LETTER at Christmas

"WONDERFUL weather for Christmas!" Timothy Rowan thought as he tramped home through the snow with an armful of mail from the post office.

But he was apprehensive, for in the bundle was a letter from Caroline, his daughter. Why, he kept asking, would Caroline be writing now, the day before Christmas, unless to tell her parents that she wouldn't be home for the holidays?

Noisily he stamped the snow from his overshoes on the back porch, then walked into the kitchen which was savory with the odor of his wife Rachel's Christmas cooking. Then, as Rachel approached the bundle of letters he had placed on the table, Timothy found himself shrinking from the room, fearful of how Rachel would take the news.

No Caroline for Christmas! Why, never once in her 24 years had Caroline been away. But, then, she was building her own life in the city, now — new friends, new interests. And spending the holidays with two old parents was probably pretty dull.

But how would Rachel take it? If only someone, anyone, would spend Christmas with them to relieve the loneliness! Well, how about young Tom Wakefield, with whom Caroline had once been in love, a fine young chap who didn't have a home, and who probably would miss Caroline this Christmas as much as he and Rachel would?

A few minutes later Timothy was tramping downtown through the snow again, and into Tom Wakefield's garage.

"Merry Christmas, Tom!" he shouted, walking into the small office.

"Same to you, Mr. Stone!" cried Tom. "What can I do for you?"

"Well, Tom," Timothy began, "you can make a couple of old people pretty happy if you'll come to dinner with us tomorrow. You see—I don't expect Caroline will be coming and, well, it would be nice if you'd join us."

"Gosh, thanks Mr. Stone!" Tom answered. He turned red, then pale. "I'll be there!"

Back home, Timothy was reprimanded. "Well, Mr. Stone, where have you been, leaving me all alone with this news about Caroline?" Rachel's eyes sparkled.

"I know, darling," Timothy said. "It's too bad she can't be here for Christmas, but I've asked Tom Wakefield to join us. It'll be kind of nice having him, remembering how he and Caroline used to be so close. You know, I think that boy is still in love with her—"

Timothy found himself shrinking from the room.

Mrs. Stone smiled. "Well, we'd better get busy, since company's coming. Fix a fire in the hearth, will you?" And as Timothy went off on his errand, her eyes followed him, smiling.

The Stone household was a busy place Christmas morning. While Timothy tended his stock and poultry, Rachel fixed the turkey, set the table and then went upstairs to dress. And shortly after noon Tom Wakefield arrived, handsome young Tom, and the three of them sat down in the living room before the fire for a short visit before dinner.

Then an automobile horn blared out front, and Timothy ran to the window.

"It's Caroline!" he shouted, beside himself. "Rachel, come quick! She must have come in on the noon train!"

Then she burst into the room, lovely Caroline, laughing merrily, tossing her bags on the floor and running to her parents.

Suddenly she saw Tom, standing white and tense beside the fireplace, and momentarily her mouth fell open with surprise.

"Oh, Tom!" she cried. "You here, too? This makes it perfect!" And she ran to his arms, while Rachel drew her puzzled husband into the kitchen.

"You may be a pretty smart man, Timothy," she explained quietly as she lifted the turkey from the oven, "but we fooled you that time! You just assumed, because Caroline wrote the day before Christmas, that she wasn't coming home. What she said in the letter was that she was tired of the city and was coming back to stay.

"Of course," she smiled, "I'll give you credit. Poor Caroline's heart was breaking for Tom, so your inviting him here today makes everything perfect!"

During prehistoric times the Pueblo Indian of New Mexico made cigarettes by wrapping corn husks around the dry leaves of some wild tobacco plant.

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

Herald Classified Ads Get Results

Swiss Keep Reserves Of Ammunition Ready

RUETLI, Switzerland (AP)—Switzerland is keeping her wartime reserves of ammunition, the Swiss president, Dr. Carl Kobelt, told the country's marksmen. Cartridges issued for military schools and target clubs must be replaced by immediate manufacture.

The president, ignited "no figure on the possibility that future war developments may must step directly from mobi into combat, without oppo for a training period to av neglect."

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LITTLE OL' SANTA

The little ol' santa propped under our tree . . . is little the worse for wear . . . he's lost a leg and an arm, you see . . . but no one seems to care. Not that we're unsympathetic, rather, we are just a bit nostalgic.

Time was when our santa, bright and new, benignly welcomed Tommy and Sue . . . as they tiptoed downstairs to see . . . their presents spread beneath the tree . . . very early Christmas morning.

Tho Tommy and Sue have outgrown their toys . . . and entwined their hearts with grown-up joys . . . that little ol' santa, propped under the tree, symbolizes Christmas—as Christmas ought to be . . . with toys for children, good will among men . . . on earth, Peace dawning.

Dorothea Waltmann.

The pig-like peccary of the Southwest is some 30 inches high at the shoulder, is about a yard in length and weighs as much as 60 pounds.

Wise Men Patron Saints of Travelers

The Three Kings of Cologne have become patron saints of travelers, and very appropriately, too, since the Wise Men traveled considerably even after their death.

Biblically we know very little about the Wise Men. Church tradition, based on the three specifically mentioned gifts, has established three Wise Men and identified them as Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar; the Kings of Tarsus, Arabia and Ethiopia, respectively.

Legend advances that on their way to Bethlehem, the Magi met at Ur and St. Matthew states that having adored the Christ Child they departed into their own country by a different route. Whether each returned to his own country or whether all three journeyed into one country are matters for conjecture. Legend continues that they were baptized, distributed their wealth among the poor, and went about preaching the doctrine of peace and repentance; all three seem to have suffered martyrdom in India at the same time.

In the fourth century Empress Helena, mother of Constantine, arranged for the transfer of their bodies to Constantinople.

When the Greek Emperor was overpowered by the first crusade in 1096, the holy remains were sent to Milan where they were enshrined until the latter part of the 12th century when Frederick Barbarossa ordered their removal to Cologne.

The Archbishop of Cologne adorned the relics with precious jewels and enshrined them within the Cologne Cathedral; in time, anything which touched the skulls of the Three Kings was considered as a charm against accidents, hence, the Wise Men became popular patron saints of travelers.

Production of 100-octane aviation gasoline gave the Allies a marked advantage in fuel quality and quantity over Germany and Japan.

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Rendezvous

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Midnite came, and the noise reached a mighty crescendo.

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

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

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

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

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

Then the telephone jangled and Laurette leaped to answer.

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

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

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

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

More than 150 years elapsed between the discovery of South Africa and establishment of the first European settlement there.

Sheng Dan Jieh— A Holy Festival

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

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

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

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

Five different languages are spoken by the Pueblo Indians of New Mexico—Tiwa, Tewa, Towa, Keres and unian. None of the tongues is not understood or spoken by any of the other groups.

PLANNED ECONOMY

By PAULSON

"Now here's a very successful Bureau I started when OPA began to fold!"

GIs to Treat Berlin Children on Christmas

BERLIN (AP)—Preparations for American military and civilian personnel in Berlin to celebrate Christmas with German children are in full swing.

Donation boxes have been set up in mess halls, Post Exchanges and clubs to collect money, candy and other gifts for children at Christmas parties.

The money is being collected to buy CARE relief parcels, toys and possibly shoes through the International Red Cross in Switzerland.

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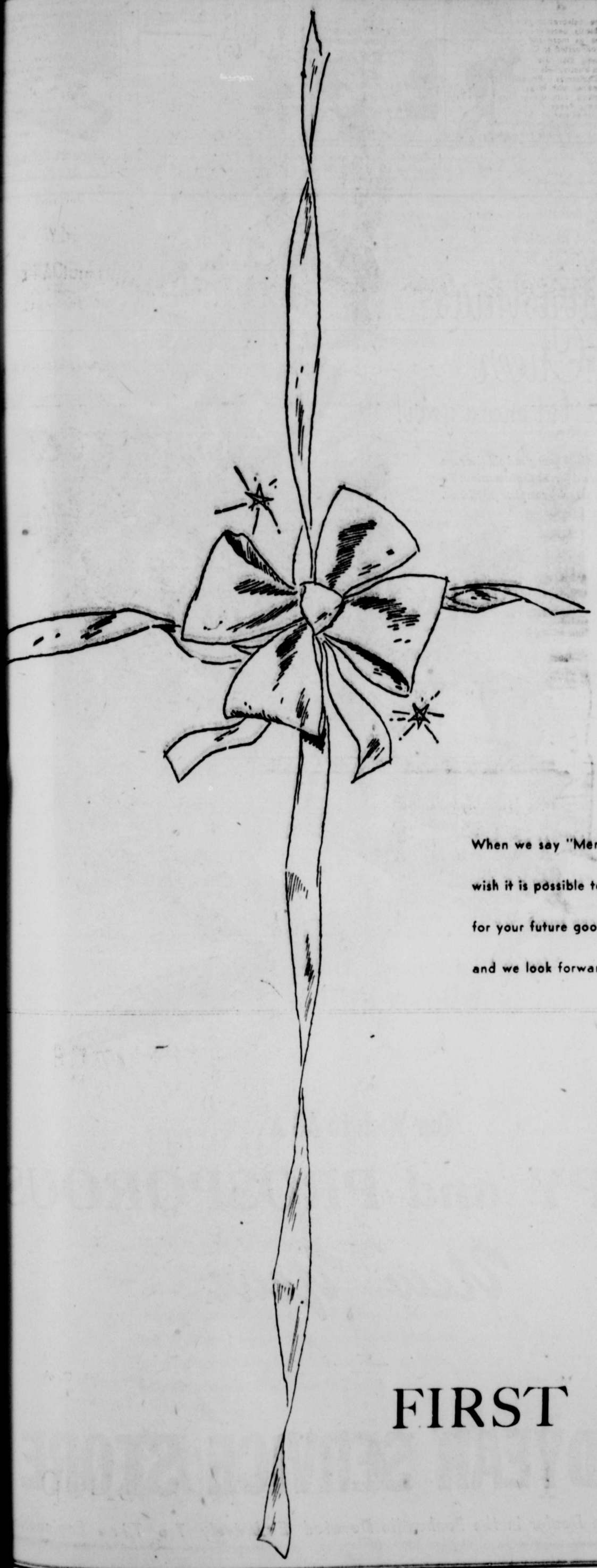

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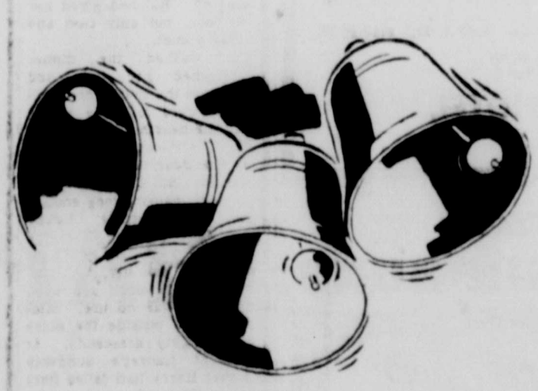

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HOLIDAY at HOME

IT WAS three nights before Christmas and Margaret was packing to go home. Contrary to traditional sentiment, she was not happy about it, for she had planned to stay in New York with Ralph. With considerable forethought she had even planned the day; church in the morning, Christmas dinner with Amy and Bill, a walk down Fifth avenue at twilight, a snack of supper, and the theater.

But Ralph had been invited to a "swell house party in Philadelphia." Margaret slammed down the top of her suitcase. She could have borne up under a Christmas with a lonely mother, or a widowed sister.

"What about me?" she had longed to cry out, but she had instead, smiled and said that it was just too marvelous, wondering meanwhile if Mr. Johnson would let her have an extra day off. Ralph had only to go to Philadelphia, two hours away, while she had no one within 500 miles!

Several hours later she stood on the porch of a white frame house.

Now she was ready, bag in hand, for the midnight train. As she waited for the taxicab, she smoothed her black tailored woolen frock over her slim hips. If New York hadn't been particularly kind to her, it had at least taught her how to dress!

She couldn't sleep on the train. Closing her eyes, she saw the cluttered desk which she had left at Roswell's Advertising agency, and Mr. Johnston's kindly face when he had told her to go home for Christmas. She saw Ralph's desk in the manager's office, Ralph dancing in Philadelphia, Ralph opening Christmas gifts — and just Ralph, with whom she would never again share good times.

There was a three-hour wait for the local train at Pittsburgh, but Margaret was too tired and depressed to leave the station. After buying a magazine featuring an article on men, and an astrological delineation of her birthsign, she settled herself into the practical task of trying to determine her future in this most unpredictable world. Several hours later, not much wiser but much more weary, she stood on the porch of a white frame house.

The door opened and Margaret blinked.

"I win!" shouted Ralph triumphantly. "She came on the midnight train!"

Mrs. Brown rushed out to the hallway and enfolded her daughter in an ample, motherly embrace. "Margaret! Why child, you're a sight! Your face is as black as coal."

Margaret withdrew herself from her mother's arms and looked at the two of them coolly. "Well, if it isn't asking too much, just what is this? Not a weekend in Philadelphia, I believe!"

Ralph took her bag and magazine and helped her out of her coat. "Don't be like that, Margaret! I bet your mother a box of candy against a mince pie that you'd come down on the midnight train."

"And what, exactly, are you doing here?"

"Margaret!" chided her mother.

"I invited myself. A surprise for you, and then I wanted to talk to your Dad about something . . ." Ralph was awkwardly turning the magazine in his hands. "Jumping fishes!" he exclaimed. "Look at the little red book!" He opened it to a center page, and read: "The natives of this sign are more than likely to have short tempers."

"Give it to me!"

Ralph held it tantalizingly out of reach and Margaret stamped her foot. "Ralph Wells," she said, "I come home for a rest and the first thing you do is make fun of me. If I have a complete breakdown it's your fault. Give me that book!"

"There, there," comforted her mother. "You go upstairs and get washed. You'll feel better."

Margaret started up the stairs, then turned in sudden remembrance. "Are you staying over Christmas?" she asked Ralph.

"I had expected to."

"You might as well. There's a dance Christmas Eve."

At the top of the steps she turned again. "And don't forget, half of that pie is mine. After all, I did the coming home!"

"Okay."

"She's tickled to death to see you," whispered Mother Brown cautiously. She patted his arm, and Ralph understood.

The earliest permanent occupation of the Rio Grande Valley in New Mexico by prehistoric Pueblo Indians was probably not before 1000 A. D.

"WAKE UP, AMERICA!"

Moderated by
FRED G. CLARK
Chairman American
Economic Foundation

Is Big Business a Threat to Democracy?

As debated by

A. G. Mezerik
Author of "Revolt of the South and West"

Dr. Willford I. King
Chairman, Committee for Constitutional Government

MR. MEZERIK OPENS: "Threat to democracy" is abstract, a phrase without reality. But go, as I did when I was gathering material for my book "Revolt of the South and West," to Montana and the abstraction will spring to life. You have seen "company towns" and you didn't see much democracy in them. In Montana you will see a "company state" at work, privately regulating the press, education, housing and opportunity. If you are a visitor, you'll only see all this as from afar. If you lived there you would know firsthand that big business can and does limit democracy. Big business in Montana—or anywhere else—is not just big. It is also powerful, for bigness and power go hand in hand. The smallest of America's "billion dollar" corporations has more assets than has any one of eighteen sovereign states — including the assessed value of every bit of property within the state's borders. The big corporations overshadow the states and blanket them politically, socially and economically. We live in an industrial society. To make that kind of society work requires balance among all the groups and individuals of the country. When industrial control becomes concentrated in the hands of a few private individuals or corporations, those few have a power over public affairs which is dangerously close to a practical substitute for government. They threaten the balance.

DR. KING CHALLENGES: What my opponent overlooks is that, in "company towns", schools, churches, recreational opportunities, and medical facilities usually far outclass those in surrounding communities. As elsewhere, secret voting makes impossible political control by employers. That, for fourteen years, corporations have had almost no political influence is made obvious by the fact that legislation unfavorable to big business has been the rule—favorable enactments being rare. Mr. Mezerik overlooks the fact that billion dollar corporations are really great instruments of democracy, for through them the millions gain opportunity to buy stock and thus participate in the direction and profits of industry.

MR. MEZERIK REPLIES: Only 25,000 people get 35% of all dividends. Three families control fifteen of the biggest corporations. In three corporations they own $1,400,000,000. Is this expanding democracy? No! Corporate influence? Here's the record. In 1941, this country was in grave peril, desperately needing armament. The Justice Department charged several huge corporations with conspiring to limit production. These corporations threatened to stop all work, if prosecuted. So great was their power that the President was forced to halt all wartime anti-trust prosecution. No group—in business or not—should possess such power that they cannot be tried for crime without endangering democracy.

DR. KING REPLIES: Why, Mr. Mezerik, do you quote only half my sentence? Big business has dominated those specific fields in which it is more efficient than little business. That enables every consumer to get more for his money. When you state that big business has been unable to block measures demanded by the masses, you confirm my contention that it is no threat to democracy. Thanks! Dollar voting is a natural resultant of liberty. How big business feels about it is irrelevant. My Propositions 7 and 8, state facts generally accepted by those familiar with Washington politics. Why elaborate the obvious?

Hunter Should Have Stood on Job

DENVER (AP)—R. T. McCluskey, a flower shop operator, said goodbye to his partner, Adolph Geisert, and set off to hunt pheasants far from the city. A few minutes after he left, a pheasant crashed through a front window of the shop. Geisert retrieved it.

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THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM

AGNES MYERS

The little village of Bethlehem, hardly more than a half wide, and only a single street in length, had houses of te stone with small domes, and were snuggled in the dark ge of olive trees. Fig groves and vineyards adorned the y terraces close by. It was a land which held many red memories. There was the spot where Jacob had his great grief, when his beloved wife Rachel was buried; yonder were the fields where Ruth, in the early days of el, had come to reap barley and walk with Naomi, in the nings, beside a gentle brook. It was to this land that ph and Mary were coming, the early home of their own t grandfather David, who had kept his father's sheep these very hills and had learned to sing the songs of praise God.

The ascent to the town, over the dusty glare of grey lime- e hills, was the last of their journey and was so steep Mary had to alight from her donkey and go up on foot. sently passing through a low gate, she and Joseph were last in the mountain town of Bethlehem.

In those days, the simplicity of life made the passing way- r welcome in the homes. To bring water at once to wash traveler's feet, dusty with the Eastern sandals, was an of courtesy. Food and lodging for himself and his beasts e provided, and the traveler was made to feel that he under the sacred protection of his host. However, when ph and Mary reached Bethlehem every house was filled travelers had been journeying there in great numbers use of the census. Even the Inn, which was a crude ding, consisting of a single empty room, on the floor of a traveler could spread his carpet for sleep, was filled verflowing.

The only place they could find shelter was in an old stable which had been built in a natural hollow, or cave, on the hillside. The stable was in darkness. The deep breathing of sleeping cattle, cows and donkeys warmed the chill air. Hay was strewn about and with the aid of his lantern, Joseph soon made a comfortable place for them to sleep.

However, the dim light of his lantern was soon overpowered by a great illumination from heaven. The old stable was presently filled with light, and beams as radiant as the sun shone all about. A wonderful thing had happened, a little child had been born and Mary His mother had wrapped Him in soft swaddling clothes and laid Him in a manger. The gentle rustle of wings was heard in the air and snowy white angels hovered over the manger. With joyous song they greeted the little messenger of mercy and love—the Christ Child—whom God had sent to the world; the little King who had been born in a lowly stable and laid in a cradle of hay.

The sleeping hills were now flooded with celestial splendor. An angel of the Lord, in an intense sheath of light, came from heaven and surprised a group of shepherds near the ancient watchtower of Eder, announcing to them the birth of the Holy Child. Multitudes of angels sped the sky, spreading tidings of joy afar. Music rang throughout the land, music of the angel host. The great gospel anthem fell upon the earth in all its divine beauty and thrilling force, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." The shepherds ran up the steep road to Bethlehem and seeing the star that God had placed over the stable, found the King of Glory and worshipped Him with adoration pouring from their hearts.

The same star that burned over the sacred manger that night had brought other men from a far off country; Wise Men from the East. They, too, had seen the sign in the sky, heralding the birth of a King. The star had guided them over mountain, valley and parched deserts, till at last they reached Bethlehem. Their camels walked one by one through the narrow streets, bearing their rich burden, for these men were kings of great wealth. The star pointed to the stable; the camels knelt before the open door and the Wise Men unloaded the treasures they had brought; boxes of gold, sweet perfumes and rare spices. They laid their gifts at the feet of the smiling infant in the manger, and fell upon their knees in fervent worship of Jesus the Saviour.

Belfast Adopts American Graves

BELFAST (AP)—Graves in the United States Army cemetery at Lisnabreeny, Castle Reagh, overlooking the city of Belfast, are being adopted by local residents who weekly place flowers on them.

One typical case is 18-year-old Winifred Burrowes, of Loopland Park, Belfast, who places a bunch of white chrysanthemums every Sunday under the wooden cross which bears the inscription "Philip L. Jordan, T5, 74th General Hospital, April 2, 1943, of Bridgeport, Conn."

Winifred, a pretty dark-haired typist, said: "We did not know who he was or anything about him but since I started laying the wreaths his mother and I correspond regularly."

Open Air "Festas" Vs. Santa Claus

Santa Claus has firmly entrenched himself in the hearts of Brazilian youngsters, although his traditional chimney had to be abandoned—very few homes being equipped with such things, and it never occurs to the small fry that it might be fun to spy on Santa; the children beg to stay up, of course, hoping to participate in the grown-up festivities and perhaps accompany their parents to midnight mass.

Since it really is June in January south of the equator, Christmas in Brazil is a midsummer festival. Midnight mass on Christmas Eve is celebrated with greater or lesser pomp throughout the land, preceded by dancing "festas" and gala late suppers.

Greeting Cards at Herald office!

Future Foretold By Drowsy Hens

Divinations were an important part of the Christmas festivities in Czarist Russia.

After a special family Christmas dinner, the girls of the household placed five piles of grain upon the kitchen floor: each pile was given a name, such as Hope, Ring, Money, Thread and Charcoal. A drowsy hen was fetched from the henhouse and allowed to walk around the kitchen floor and choose a pile of grain.

Obviously the hen's choice of Money meant wealth; Ring, foretold a wedding within a year; and Hope, promised the fulfillment of a wish or a long journey. If the sleepy chicken chose the grain designated as Thread, a life of toil was predicted for the marriageable maiden of the household; and Charcoal was considered an omen of death in the family.

Old songs were sung to accompany such goings-on, while the girls and women vied to devise complete stories based on the antics of the hen.

Spanish Literature

The golden age of Spanish literature belongs to the Sixteenth and Seventeenth centuries, when Cervantes, Calderon and Lope de Vega, to mention only a few great writers, flourished. The Spanish romances or ballads, many of which were fragments of old epic poems, were published, influencing all European literature.

Scoop Shovel And Pitchfork On Way Out

By LAWRENCE N. ELDRED
(AP) Newsfeatures

CHICAGO—Almost lost in news of more world-shaking events during the war years was the decline and fall of the time-honored scoop shovel and pitchfork on American farms.

They're still holding on by grace of shortages in power loading and unloading machinery, but many farm experts are agreed these hand tools soon may be as nearly extinct as the whooping crane.

The earliest written record of scoop shovels appeared in a book on farming published in England in 1844. A farm adviser of the time suggested a wood scoop shovel was a handy thing to have around a grain bin. The scoops later were made of metal for greater durability when the use of the tool spread to the United States.

But now as fast as farm machinery can fill the demand, use of the old callous-makers is expected to fall away rapidly.

Mostly the cause of the change is to be found in farm economics, rather than in any distinction for backbreaking work on the part of the nation's farmers.

A harvesting rig may cost a farmer $2,500 and a scoop shovel $2.50, but he doesn't see much sense in letting expensive equipment stand idle while he shovels grain by hand. Neither does he want the shovel to create a bottleneck in the speedy grain movement made possible by machine.

Another factor is that hired hands who used to do most of the shoveling and pitching are costing more than ever before. Average farm wages bounded from $27.39 a month including board in 1939 to $74.60 last year.

Just as tractors and automobiles pushed out the less economical horse, power equipment is pushing out hired hands and hand tools, the experts say.

The term "bit," which is a common expression in New Mexico, was derived when the early Spanish clipped silver doubloons into eight equal parts, each one being a "real." Thus the terms two-bits, four-bits.

Pueblo Indian tribes of New Mexico are usually divided into two groups known as Summer and Winter. Each group is ruled by a cacique or town chief whose word is absolute and each cacique has charge of ceremonials during his respective season.

In Africa, Arab and Negro "sportsmen" once shot down, netted, decoyed, speared, bought or kidnapped Negroes for the slave trade.

NOVELIST WINNER — Loula Grace Erdman (above) of the West Texas State College at Canyon, Tex., was presented with a check for $10,000 in New York for her novel which won the Red Book Magazine-Dodd, Mead novel award. (AP) Photo

The pandanus plant supplies food, clothing and shelter for natives on islands from Hawaii and the Marquesas to Malaya and Madagascar.

Sincere Wishes for a Merry Christmas

LET'S ALL BE HAPPY!

Christmas is likely to become too prosaic to many of us grownups, but to boyhood's eager eyes it is a time of preparation and expectancy . . . an enchanted season when the woodland is hushed and even ordinary tasks take on the glamor and joy of dragging home the Christmas tree. May your Christmas of 1946 be in this spirit.

Club Cafe

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cunningham

Hang the holly high in every window! Trim the tree and place the mistletoe where it will bring the most cheer to everyone. For this is the Christmas season and our hearts are lighter than they were a Christmas ago.

To our many friends we say, "you've been wonderfully patient – and we wish you a wonderful Yuletide!"

May 1947 Bring Happiness and Prosperity to All!

CASTLE'S

— Quality Priced Right —

Hunting the Wren In Old Ireland

Once upon a time in Ireland, the wren was hunted and killed on Christmas morning; a branch of holly and bright ribbons were attached to his body which was carried from house to house by wren boys who sang songs and expected to receive a dole from each household.

The story goes that during the Danish-Irish war, the Danes were resting after an arduous march and the Irish were creeping up quietly. All of a sudden a wren, spying a few crumbs which the drowsy Danish drummer had dropped on the drumhead, swooped down and began to peck at the crumbs. The pecking awakened the boy, who aroused the camp; the Irish, driven off and defeated, blamed the wren.

Modern Irish, ashamed of the once-honored tradition, say the guilty bird may have been a starling or a sparrow anyway, and now welcome the wren to their farms and homes.

New Zealand's manufacturing industries employ about 20 per cent of the total population.

Real St. Nicholas Of 4th Century

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

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

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

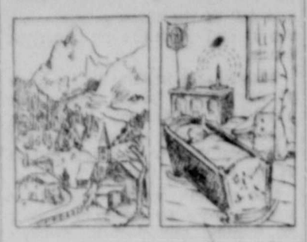
The stock ticker was invented by Samuel F. Laws, a Presbyterian clergyman.

More than one-half of the U. S. hospital beds are in mental institutions.

Christmas Trees, Cribs and Ceppi

Christmas trees and cribs, within respective spheres of influence, provide focal points for observances of the season.

Various legends claim to tell the story of the first Christmas tree; actually, evergreen decorations were so closely associated with pagan celebrations that they were banned by many ecclesiastics of the early church.



According to literature, the first Christmas tree was set up at Strasbourg, Germany, in 1604; even then, the cry rose against heathen customs and, as late as 1851, the Rev. Henry Schwan was severely criticized for setting up a Christmas tree in his church in Cleveland, Ohio.

St. Francis of Assisi received special permission from the pope to present a tableau of the nativity scene. This first crib, set up at Greccio, Italy, in 1223, was an immediate sensation; the renaissance endowed the cribs with ornate pageantry and, modernly, the crib is to southern Europe and Catholic countries what the tree is to America and northern lands.

Eighteenth century Italians were fond of a fantastic decoration called the Ceppo. Pyramidical in construction, the Ceppo were made on a framework of lathes with transverse shelves rising to three or four stories, depending on the over-all size of the Ceppo.

The whole thing was covered with colored paper, tufts, tassels, fringes, tiny pine cones, and little flags; a manger scene was represented on the lowest shelf, while the upper ones were covered with small gifts, etc.; wax tapers were placed along the sides and a large gilt cone ornamented the top. Although the original designer probably never saw a Christmas tree, the Ceppo—aided by a little imagination — bridges the gap between Christmas cribs and trees.

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

Don Diego de Vargas headed the reconquest of New Mexico in 1693 after the Pueblo Rebellion of 1680.

There were 16 bowl games on Jan. 1, 1946.

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

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

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

Bill did not neglect his privilege.

So as soon as the last member of her brood had faded down the driveway, Kate told Mattie and Sam to take a two-day vacation — and then settled back to spend Christmas by herself. She ran into the capacious living room and with a completely undignified leap planted herself sprawling upon the divan. Everyone but Kate sprawled on that divan. Kate never had time. Now she would begin the Christmas holidays by staying there for hours.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

General Douglas MacArthur was the youngest man ever to serve as superintendent of West Point.

HERALD ADS BRING RESULTS!

Peace, Good-Will

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

Four voices of four hamlets round,
From far and near, on mead and
moor,
Swell out and fall, as if a door
Were shut between me and the
sound.

Each voice four changes on the
wind,
That now dilate, and now
decrease,
Peace and good-will, good-will
and peace,
Peace and good-will, to all mankind.

Tennyson

Football teams of Mississippi State and Washington State Colleges are traveling by air.

All home games of the professional Miami Seahawks are played at night.

The losing team in six of 15 Orange Bowl football games has registered more first downs than the winning team.

Levi Jackson, Yale's tremendous freshman back, is wearing number 40, the same number he carried as a high school star.

Jews Celebrate the Festival of Lights

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

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

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

Wives of Michigan State players hold special radio parties when their husbands are playing football away from home.

Fifty-seven different colleges have participated in 69 bowl contests since the first Rose Bowl game in 1902.

Season's Greetings

As the Christmas season unfolds its splendor, we send to all our patrons and friends many good wishes that this Christmas be the merriest of all time!

OWL CAFE
Mildred Hood

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN

MERRY ★ CHRISTMAS ★

A SPECIAL TRIP FOR ST. NICHOLAS

Santa is making a special trip this year, and he's coming direct to your home laden with merry Christmas wishes from us to you.

May the New Year Bring Health and Prosperity

IKE'S Market and LOCKERS

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Ferguson and Frank Herndon

May the Holiday Season Be Full of Happiness For You . . .

Greetings

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

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

Merry Christmas to All

from Our Entire Organization

We Wish You A Prosperous NEW YEAR

Perryton Lumber Co.

"Good Lumber"

BEST WISHES TO ONE AND ALL

a Stocking-ful of

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May this Holiday bring you the utmost joy and may the New Year bring with it success as a reward for your effort. We are looking forward to serving you during the coming year and trust that our service will prove satisfactory to you in every way.

L. D. Stinson — John Bolin — Vernon Witt — Harold Witt — Sam Burkhart — Harry Standish — Carl "Hotchie" Schroeder — Leslie Mac Lewis — Bill Thomas and Herbert Allison

Perryton Implement Co.

John Deere Dealers

Greatest Stamps Of Entire World

Officials estimate at least 100,000 lives are saved each year—in America alone—by funds made available by the annual Christmas Seal campaign against tuberculosis.

In 1903, a Danish postal clerk—Einar Holboell, by name—conceived the idea of a voluntary tax on Christmas greeting cards which would benefit the underprivileged. Specifically, Holboell visualized establishment of a fund to build a hospital for tubercular children. The ministry granted Holboell permission to sell his seals at post offices and the Christmas Seal campaign was launched. In many countries, the seal campaign is conducted largely in co-operation with postal authorities and, in some instances, the seals are parts of special postage stamps.

The American Red Cross became interested in the project in 1907 and co-operated with the National Tuberculosis association. To strengthen the nation-wide campaign, the Red Cross and the Tuberculosis association jointly conducted the sale of the seals and, until 1919, the emblem of the Red Cross appeared on the seal.

In 1919, the double-barred cross, international emblem and trademark of the warfare against tuberculosis, was embodied in the design of the seal. In 1920, the Red Cross wished to devote its energies to the annual Roll Call and arrangements were made whereby the sale of the tuberculosis Christmas Seal is conducted exclusively by the Tuberculosis association.

The earliest watches usually had just one hand—the minute hand was invented in 1687.

HERALD ADS BRING RESULTS!

R. B. Yoakley
Jeweler

Miracle Play In Modern Texas Town

LOS PASTORES, the hybrid Spanish - Indian miracle play introduced to Mexico centuries ago by Spanish monks and presented in San Antonio during the Christmas season, is enacted primarily for its spirituality.

A group of amateur actors go from house to house by invitation and because it is traditional that no one prompted by idle curiosity should witness the performance, only the initiated can find the scene of presentation.

Usually someone's back yard becomes the stage; the doorsteps serve as background for the Nacimiento. Manger scene; various objects are set on the stairs; pieces of crockery, tinsel, pincushions, patron saints—anything the household considers especially beautiful. In the center of the lowest step, the Christ Child (a life-sized doll placed on a platter with divers gaudy candy) is surrounded by plaster shepherds, donkeys, etc.

A tent opposite the Nacimiento gives evidence of representing hell; a bonfire has been built within and live devils emerge therefrom.

Th play has no definite time for beginning, but finally, a girl starts to walk back and forth reciting. Overdressed shepherds drone a seemingly endless song. Ermitano, the comic relief, carrying a rosary of spools, also represents the soul of its earthly journey and is often accompanied by the white winged Archangel Gabriel.

It is a never-ending performance: seven devils, six in sequined black with animal masks and the fork-tailed Lucifer in brilliant red, are finally vanquished; likewise, a wild Indian is overcome and kisses the Christ Child; the shepherds and all in attendance kiss the Child, solemnly and as slowly as possible.

Kruger National Park is as large as the state of Massachusetts.

The U. S. production of lithium increased sevenfold during the war.

The use of cork for life preservers was known to the Greeks and Romans.

Antonio de Expejo, in 1582, led the third Spanish expedition into New Mexico.

The International Live Stock Exposition held its first show in Chicago in December, 1900.

Magnesium is finding new uses because of its vibration-dampening properties.

Office Furniture at Herald office!

Wassail Bowl For Auld Lang Syne

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

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

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

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

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

The first missionary to New Zealand, Samuel Marsden, arrived in 1814.

Dueling as a court of last resort was abolished by the Icelandic parliament in 1006.

There are 1,000 Smith Rivers, 5,000 Elk Creeks and 10,000 Mud Lakes in the United States.

Bonchevalier and Tree of Humanity

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Texas Autos Will Have Two License Plates in 1947

Texas motorists will have two license plates instead of one in 1947, according to an announcement from Austin this week. State highway officials believe sufficient plate metal has been located for normal issuance of 1947 plates for Texas automobiles.

The 1947 plates will have a black background with white letters and numbers. Manufacture of the plates is underway at the state prison in Huntsville, and plates have already been shipped to Amarillo and El Paso.

New plates are required after April 1, 1947.

In 1945 Alabama set a new season record for percentage of passes completed—71 bull's eyes in 117 tosses or .607.

France's losses in material destruction during World War II have been estimated at $28,000,000,000.

The pinon tree in New Mexico bears its fruit, the pinon nut, only once over a period of several years.

SELL with WANT-ADS

Christmas Poem

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

Four voices of four hamlets round,
From far and near, on mead and moor,
Swell out and fail, as if a door
Were shut between me and the sound.

Each voice four changes on the wind,
That now dilate, and now decrease,
Peace and good-will, good-will and peace,
Peace and good-will, to all mankind.
—Tennyson.

More than a quarter of a million people are admitted annually to U. S. mental institutions.

Mascot of Kings Point Merchant Marine Academy is Neptune, a balck ram.

McCollom & Weibel
Bond and Insured
HOUSE MOVING
CALL US COLLECT
Phones 1138 or 339 W
Borger, Texas

Expert on Weddings Never Tried One

SALISBURY, Md., (AP)—Marriages are made in Salisbury with a bride, groom, minister and Claude Collier Dorman.

He has "helped out" at 229 weddings in the last half century, as a best man, usher, and general backstage hand, one time climbing thru a church window to take the ing organist's place with "I You Truly."

It's a hobby. Window cl his vocation.

When a protocol problem up, "Call Claude" is the s He decorates the church, the bridesmaids' dresses, drape wedding veil and arranges bride's train.

Oh yes, he's a bachelor.

ALL OF OUR FOLKS ARE HOPING THAT ALL OF YOUR FOLKS WILL SPEND A MIGHTY
Merry Christmas
Austin Grocery and Market
Farnsworth, Texas
Percy and Barbalee Austin

CHRISTMAS
1946
HAPPINESS

Best Wishes for a
Merry Christmas

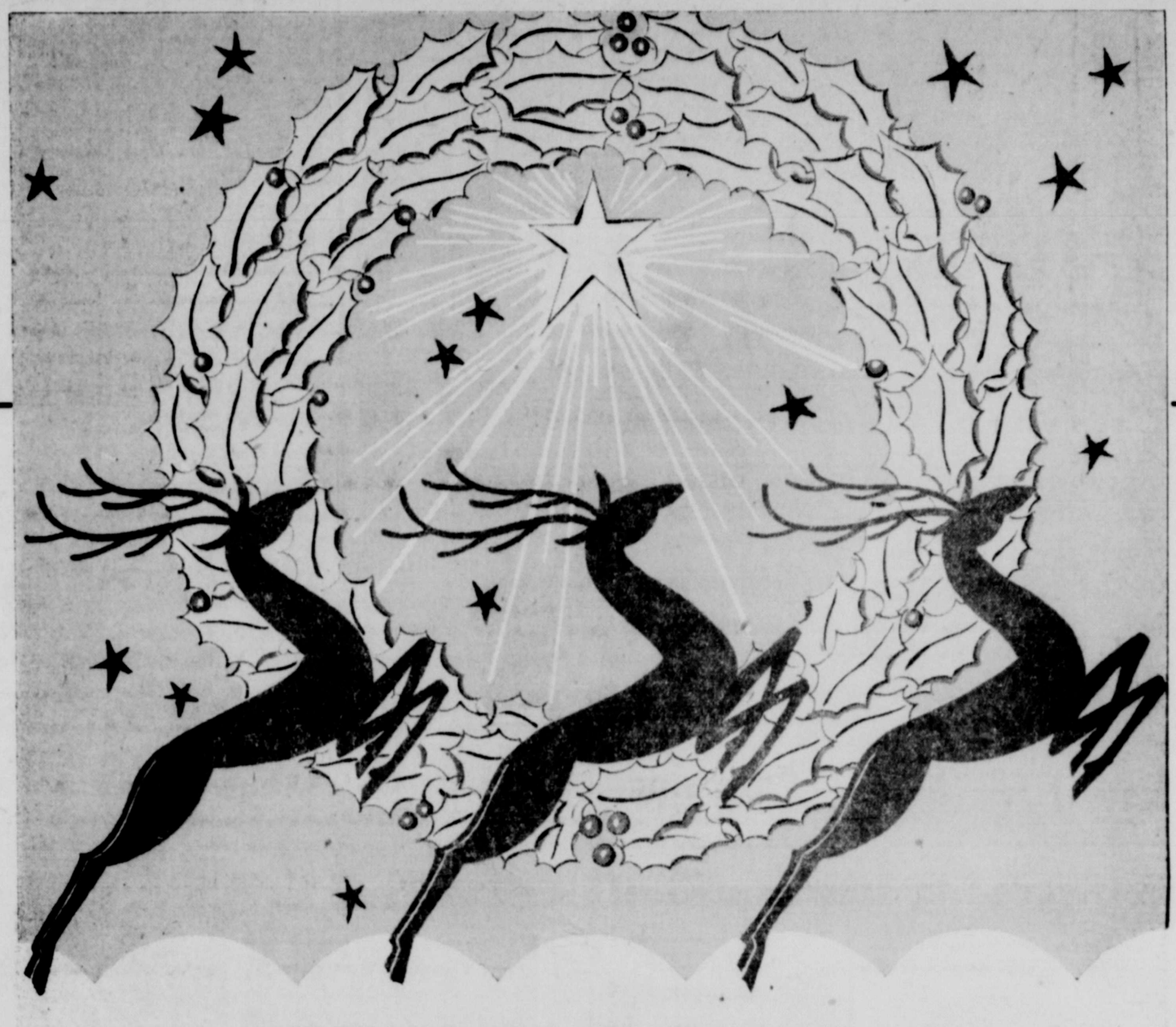
At this joyous season of the year we pause in a spirit of gratitude to remember the many blessings which we hold in common with our fellow Americans. Not least among these is the privilege of doing business with the finest people on earth. And we're grateful for the Holiday Season when we can take this means of expressing to all our friends our sincere appreciation for the experience of knowing them, and wishing for each the Merriest of Christmases and very Happy New Year.

ALLEN TIRE SHOP
Claude Allen
Harold Gidley Chellis Gidley

Season's Heartiest Greetings

May this Christmas Season
Bring to Each One
a Wealth of
Happiness
Merry Christmas
and a
Prosperous New Year

—Rufus Bolerjack—
Troy Bolerjack—Paul Eugene Tucker
White Auto Store



Merry Christmas

Sometimes in the rush and worry of business — in the constant effort to serve — we lose sight of many of the finer things in life.

As a business organization, we have had our full measure of things for which to be grateful. Although conditions have been more or less unsettled—although we have been through very trying times—many new friends have joined our ranks of customers; many old friends have become closer and better friends through a mutual understanding of one and another's problems

May We Take This Opportunity to Wish One and All A Very Merry Christmas and A Happy Prosperous New Year

Clarence Neufeld — Sam Hergert — Vernon Hergert — Mrs. Jim Dodson — Chester Theissen
Henry McDonald — Jake Sodowsky — Doris Drake

PLAINVIEW HARDWARE COMPANY

Minute Make-Ups
By GABRIELLE

Look your prettiest to greet the New Year! Pin flowers in your hair. Mistletoe, dipped in silver powder, makes a beautiful "frosty" hair decoration! You won't have to stand under the mistletoe—you'll be under it, just in case!

Office Supplies at Herald office!

Mince Pies of Deep Christmas Tradition

No Christmas dinner would be complete without mince pies. While they have long been a part of our Christmas tradition, they originally had a deep symbolic significance.

Patterned after the manger in which Christ was born, they were oblong in shape. The crust, baked a golden brown, represented the gold brought by the Three Wise Men.

Greeting Cards for every occasion. Herald office.

Fun at Dingley

When they were all tired of blind man's bluff, there was a great game at snap-dragon, and, when fingers enough were burned with that, and all the raisins gone, they sat down by the huge fire of blazing logs to a substantial supper and a mighty bowl of wassail, something smaller than an ordinary wash-house copper, in which the hot apples were hissing and bubbling with a rich look, and a jolly sound that were perfectly irresistible.

"This," said Mr. Pickwick, looking round him, "this is indeed comfort."

"Our invariable custom," said Mr. Wardle. "Everybody sits down with us on Christmas Eve, as you see them now—servants and all; and here we sit till the clock strikes twelve to usher Christmas in, and while away the time with forfeits and old stories. Trundle, rake up the fire."

Up flew the bright sparks myriads as the logs were stirred, and the deep, red blaze sent forth a rich glow that penetrated into the farthest corner of the room and cast its cheerful tint on every face.

"Come," said Wardle, "a song—a Christmas song; give you one in default of a better."

"Bravo!" said Mr. Pickwick.

"Fill up!" cried Wardle. "It will be two hours gone before you see the bottom of th bowl through the deep rich colour of the wassail, fill up all round, and now the song."—From Charles Dickens' "Pickwick Papers."

Mexico Did Away With Santa Claus

In 1930 the authorities in Mexico decided to abolish Santa Claus during the Christmas festival as they considered him out of place in a country where snow is seldom seen.

The well-known bearded figure was ousted by Quetzalcoatl, the Indian god, half bird, half snake, who was worshipped by the Aztecs before the Spanish invasion.

In its new Christmas program, the southern country has made a feature of the distribution of presents to thousands of needy children by the plumed serpent, and every year this big-scale present-giving takes place on December 23.

Christmas Customs In Foreign Lands

Latin American countries, eleven of them, cooperate to decorate an old-fashioned Christmas tree.

Upper: This Swedish boy displays the "Queen of Lights," part of a Christmas Child parade in Sweden.

Lower: On December 6th, the Santa Claus procession is held in Switzerland.

Upper: St. Nicholas astride his horse in Netherlands during Christmas celebration.

Lower: Children in England signing the "Promise Book."

Below: A juvenile Santa Claus in Switzerland.

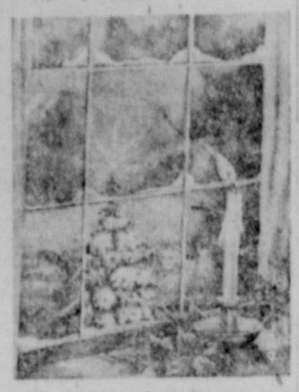
A new method has been perfected to depigment cottonseed and produce an almost white meal.

The Dutch established a maritime station at the Cape of Good Hope, Africa's southern tip, in 1652.

The Cape of Good Hope still retains an early title, given it by mariners, "Tavern of the Seas."

Romans Started Christmas Boxes

Boxing day has been a day of gifts to public servants since Roman times. It originated as a pagan custom, for the Romans observed the rite during their winter feast of Saturnalia. Later, when the people became Christians, the gifts were handed during Mass to the priests, who placed them into boxes. The feast was then known as Christ's Mass and the boxes as Christmas boxes, not to be opened except by being broken.



All manner of tradesmen soon realized that the idea was a good one, and it became a common practice for apprentices and others to take a box round to their business acquaintances, singing carols the while.

By the time Pepys wrote his famous diary, Christmas boxes were well established, and he mentions them several times in his writings. Swift also has a word to say about them in his "Journal to Stella," written in 1710; "By the Lord Harry, I shall be undone here with Christmas boxes."

One public servant, the "bellman," who enjoyed the privilege of soliciting Christmas boxes, was in some respects the forerunner of the postman, often being commissioned to deliver letters. At the approach of Christmas he would push poems of his own composition under the doors of townsmen whom he had served. They were reminders that recognition was expected on Boxing Day.

HERALD ADS BRING RESULTS

HERALD'S CLASSIFIED AD PHONE NO. 67

A CHRISTMAS THOUGHT

THESE ARE DAYS WHEN WE ARE ALL IN A BIG HURRY TO GET HOME, FOR THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME WHEN THE CHRISTMAS WREATH IS GLOWING IN THE WINDOW. WE ARE DUE RIGHT NOW TO SAY OUR LITTLE PIECE—AN OLD REFRAIN. IT IS TRUE, BUT AS WARM AND HEARTFELT AS THE FIRST TIME WE EVER SAID IT—

MERRY CHRISTMAS

★

Perryton Cleaners

Phone 220 — "Not How Cheap But How Good"

Greetings

We send our warmest greetings to all our patrons for a very happy Yuletide holiday.

W. H. Lance
Sheriff—Tax Assesso. and Collector

Mrs. Mary Jo Zenor
Ray Phagan, Chief Deputy
Mrs. Bennie Smith

The candles burn no more warmly than the spirit of our wishes for your Christmas happiness. To all our many friends we say "A very Merry Christmas to you and yours."

Mid-West Plumbing Co.

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

Champlin Service

Carl Blackmore

Owner

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"WAKE UP, AMERICA!"

Does the Wagner Act Infringe the Employers' Freedom of Speech?

As debated by

Lee Pressman
General Counsel, Congress of Industrial Organizations

Raoul Desvernine
Nationally Known Attorney, Former President of Crucible Steel Company of America

MR. PRESSMAN OPENS: The Labor Board has held in numerous cases, even where the employer launched an aggressive campaign to induce employees not to exercise their right to self-organization, that the employer is free under the Wagner Act to discuss trade union matters with his employees and advance arguments to them against unions. Today it would be difficult to find an employer who does not freely discuss issues of trade unionism, with his employees. Most employers use free speech for more aggressive ends than this; openly attacking unions, their objectives, program, finances, leaders, etc.; electioneering in Labor Board elections even though the selection of the employees' bargaining representative is primarily the employees' business. No employee would interfere in the selection of an employer's representative, yet employers consistently thrust themselves into elections of union representatives and enjoy complete immunity under the Wagner Act. The only situation in which an employer's speech may be made the subject of a Labor Board Cease and Desist Order is where that speech carries threats of discharge, intimidation, reprisal or warnings of economic loss if the employees do not follow the employer's preferences. The Wagner Act respects employers' freedom of speech, otherwise, it would be held unconstitutional. In short, the current complaints about alleged infringement of free speech in the Wagner Act are a pretext used by an anti-labor group of employers to further the drive to amend the Act in other respects.

MR. DESVERNINE CHALLENGES: Mr. Pressman's allegation that anyone seeking to correct abuses, because of partisan N.L.R.B. decisions, is "anti-labor", blurs the issue. As with all laws, whether it be the Wagner Act or not, the danger lies, as I have already shown, *in the interpretation of the law and its application.* Under the New Deal the law has been interpreted and applied mostly in labor's favor. Thousands of businessmen know this. The electorate knows this. Labor knows this. I don't think that the American Civil Liberties Union has been tarred with the "anti-labor" brush, but they have vigorously and courageously fought N.L.R.B. decisions on the grounds that they infringed freedom of speech.

MR. PRESSMAN REPLIES: If the Wagner Act has been misinterpreted so as to deny employers' free speech, as Mr. Desvernine contends, why is it that N.L.R.B. decisions are rarely upset by the courts and that the Board has the best court record of any federal agency? Free speech does not entitle you to cry "fire!" in a crowded theatre or to destroy the freedom of others. My opponent would like to leave the employer free not merely to argue against unions, a right which he now has, but to destroy unions, a right which is inconsistent with the public interest in free self-organization.

MR. DESVERNINE OPENS: Through misinterpretation, and misapplication, the employers' freedom of speech has been infringed during the past several years under N.L.R.B. decisions. In the matter of Clark Brothers, Inc., vs. the United Automobile, Aircraft and Agricultural Workers of America, CIO, the N.L.R.B. majority found against the employer in that, on company time, during working hours, officers of the company compelled their employees to listen to speeches urging them to resist CIO attempts at union organization and "engaged in surveillance of its employees self-organizational activities " by means of "superior economic power". In dissent, Gerald D. Reilly stated, "The policy grounds upon which the majority opinion is rested seemed equally unpersuasive. I refer to the premise that since the respondent has 'superior economic power', the fact that it paid the workers for the time they listened . . . be appraised as interference. . . . Granted, this company, like most industrial concerns, has greater economic power than its own employees, such an analogy, when referring to an election contest undertaken by one of the powerful CIO unions, is fallacious. This Board knows . . . the vast amount of money spent in organizing campaigns . . . it is doubtful if any concerns, other than the largest corporate enterprises, can match the financial resources . . . available to national industrial unions, like the petitioner in such contests." Should the union, then, when it has "superior economic power," be silenced? These are the kinds of decisions that have throttled the American employer.

MR. PRESSMAN CHALLENGES: Mr. Desvernine quite obviously is not interested in protecting the employers' right of free speech since that right is protected both by the Constitution and the Wagner Act. His quarrel is with the right of employees to organize free from employer interference, surveillance and discrimination. Mr. Desvernine's argument essentially is that labor unions are today as economically powerful as employers, and that employers should, therefore, be free to engage in unrestrained union busting . . . an argument which is unsound in its factual premise and which reintroduces into labor relations the law of the jungle and the mockery of liberty offered by the infamous liberty league.

MR. DESVERNINE REPLIES: Sticking to the issue and without resort to unwarranted allegations of "union busting" and "jungle law"—misapplication and misinterpretation of the law is the core of evil. The U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals, St. Louis, recently reversed another arbitrary N.L.R.B. decision after the N.L.R.B. had found Montgomery Ward & Company guilty of anti-labor tactics in that an official of the company had made answer to CIO union charges that the company was "fascist-minded." The Court found the company had the right to defend its integrity before its employees. The point is—too many N.L.R.B. decisions have far too often infringed the right of employers to talk back in defense of unwarranted charges.

HERALD'S CLASSIFIED AD PHONE No. 67

CHRISTMAS QUIZ

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

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

The Ch'in emperor Shih Huang built the great wall of China, which was completed [illegible] B.

Hodening Horse Of British Isles

Strange miracle plays were always intrinsic parts of the holiday season in the British Isles and in many such traditional performances, one of the characters rode a grotesque hobby horse. Gradually, the horse assumed the characteristics of a star performer and in time, stepping out of the play altogether, began going from house to house—expecting hospitality, after frightening families half out of their wits.

Of course, the Hodening Horse was no ordinary horse: two boys, covered with sheets and a horse blanket, usually supplied his vitality; his wooden head was hideously carved with gouged eyes, bobnail teeth, etc. The boys manipulated strings to make the teeth clank, etc., and sometimes placed a lighted candle in the hollow of the head to make the mouth seem to belch forth flames.

In Wales, it was customary for the Hodening Horse to recite long extemporaneous verses: if the Horse outwitted his host, he was invited in for cakes and cider. A less witty procedure was followed in some rural communities and along lonely roads, wealthy citizens and travelers were attacked by unknown Hodening Horses who demanded "fines" from their victims.

Boots originated in Greece and half shoes or oxfords appeared in Europe during the Middle Ages.

IF IT BREAKS, WE'LL ALL GO UNDER! By COLLIER

Dairy cows in the United States produce on the average 4,500 pounds of milk a year, and those in Denmark about 7,500 pounds.

French scientists have won the Nobel Prize 16 times during the 45 years since the scientific award was established.

Feathers of the wild turkey were used by prehistoric Pueblo Indians of New Mexico for ceremonial purposes.

When the 35 players of the Los Angeles Dons, All-American conference club, voted for captain, Bob Seymour got 34 votes—he didn't vote for himself.

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Christmas has a very special and personal meaning for each of us—but we all unite in singing mighty praises to Him for the good things that have come to us.

In the jubilant mood of this Christmas season, we extend our fondest, cheeriest greeting to all our friends.

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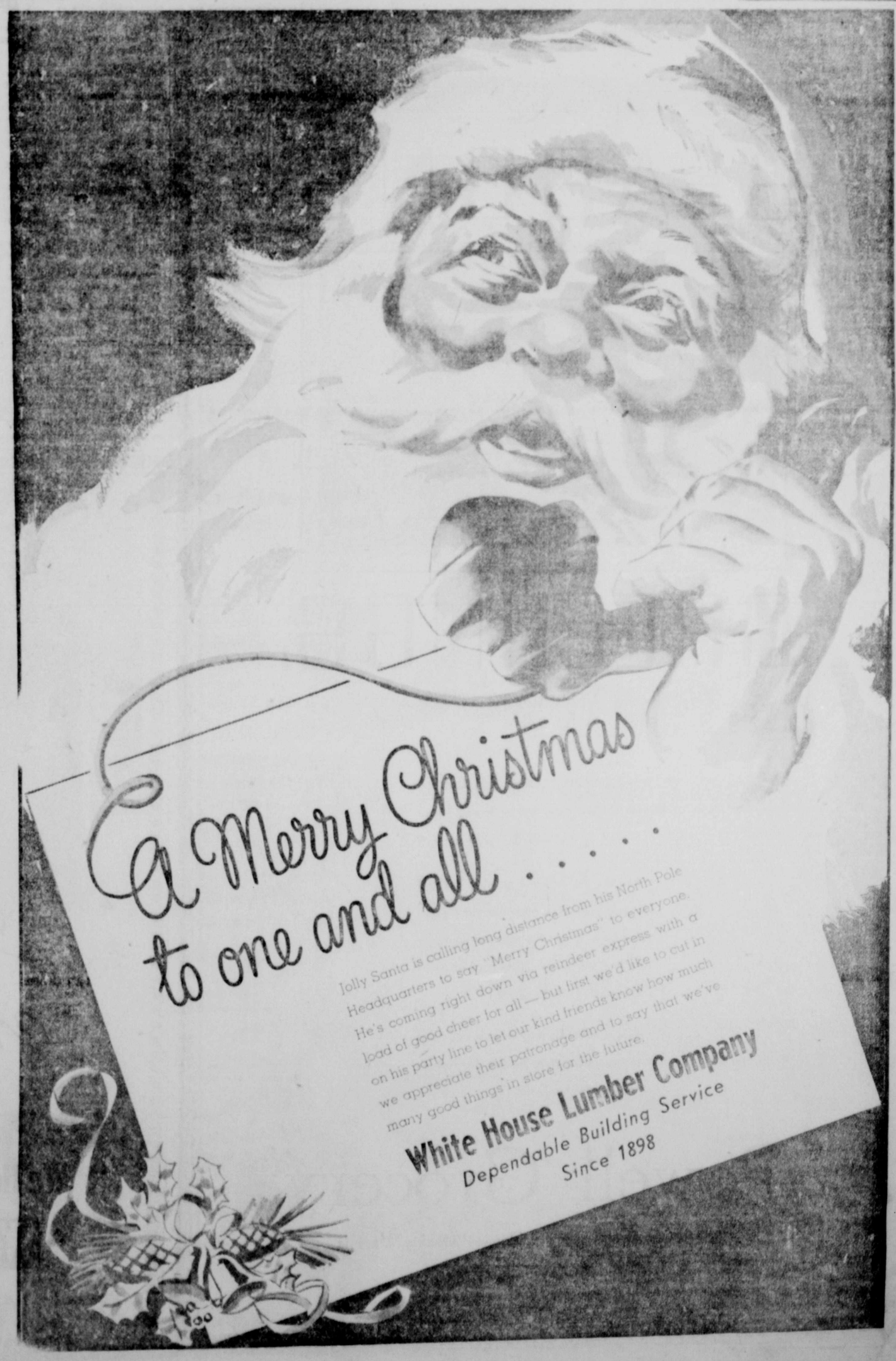
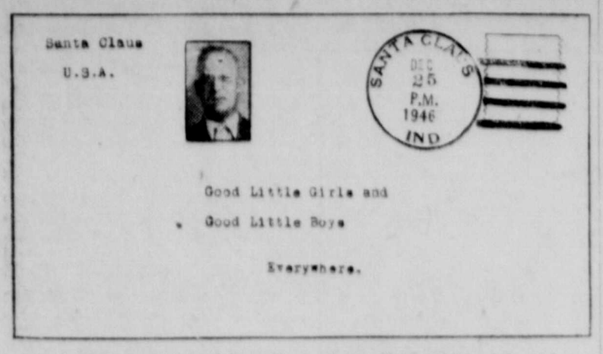




Good Little Girls and Boys Everywhere: Your old friend Santa has received your letter. While he could not answer them all from Santa Claus, Ind., he wants you to know that he is watching over you and knows you will become stronger in every way before next Christmas.

Illegitimates Among Berlin' War Heritages

CP Newsfeatures

BERLIN—Although the rate of illegitimacy in Berlin is high, public welfare officials in the Office of American Military Government for Berlin said that there are four times as many couples waiting to adopt such a child as there are children ready to be placed.

According to statistics of the German Youth Office 16.7 percent of all children born in Berlin at present are illegitimate. The average rate last year was 18.4 per cent. In 1944 it was 23 per cent.

The youth office said that 17,285 of the children officially under its guardianship were illegitimate.

Whenever a foster home is reported or an application filed to adopt a child, the youth office first makes a careful study. Families which merely are seeking to supplement their income or take advantage of a child's better food ration card are immediately rejected.

It has been found most difficult to place boys in their early teens, officials said because Germans under present conditions fear to cope with the problems of wear and tear on clothes as well as food consumption.

The youth office reported that the rate of illegitimacy in the American sector was highest, standing at 19.2 percent of all births. In the British sector, the figure was 17 percent, in the French sector 16 per cent and in the Russian sector 14.6 percent.

Smash the Pinata South of Border

Smashing the Pinata is a red-letter feature of Mexican Christmas festivities.

An earthen jar is filled with nuts, candies and small gifts. Elaborately disguised and decorated with tissue paper, etc., it often represents a doll's face or an entire figure—perhaps a bull fighter.

Children of the household, blindfolded and armed with a club, are each given three chances to break the Pinata. Inasmuch as the basic earthen jar has been selected because of its fragility, it shatters easily, releasing a shower of goodies and trinkets and causing everyone in the party to scramble for a share.

Imports of drugs, herbs, leaves, and roots used mainly in medicine were valued at $33,000,000 in 1945.

The Union of South Africa is 472,550 square miles in area, one sixth the size of the United States.

SURPRISE PACKAGE — "Spec" Sanders, former understudy to Jack Crain at Texas U., has surged to the front in professional football. Overshadowing such big-name team mates as Frankie Sinkwich and Ace Parker, Sanders led the league in ground gaining and was among the leaders in several other departments.

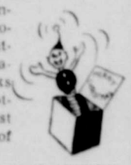
The kapok used in life preservers is the same material as that used in pillows and mattresses.

Christmas Day

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

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

New Zealand is fourth among the world's wool producing countries.

Permanent British occupation of the Cape of Good Hope, now in the Union of South Africa, was started in 1806.

President Chester A. Arthur and New York's Governor Grover Cleveland presided at the opening of the Brooklyn Bridge in 1883.

In ancient Greece, health considered one of the highest and disease a great evil that man inferior.

CHRISTMAS IS HERE!

■ It's in the music of the cherished carols hovering like a benediction over the bustling crowds.

■ Time for us to send you our best wishes for the happiest Christmas you have ever known.

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An old fashioned Christmas is the best kind after all! Surrounded by family and friends you love, you can have the very best time!

And the old fashioned greeting is always best too. To each and every one, our sincerest wishes for a Merry Christmas, and for a New Year that will be rich in its store of happy hours, reunited with loved ones.

Believe in our sincerity, when we add that whatever we can do to increase your season's cheer—we shall gladly do!

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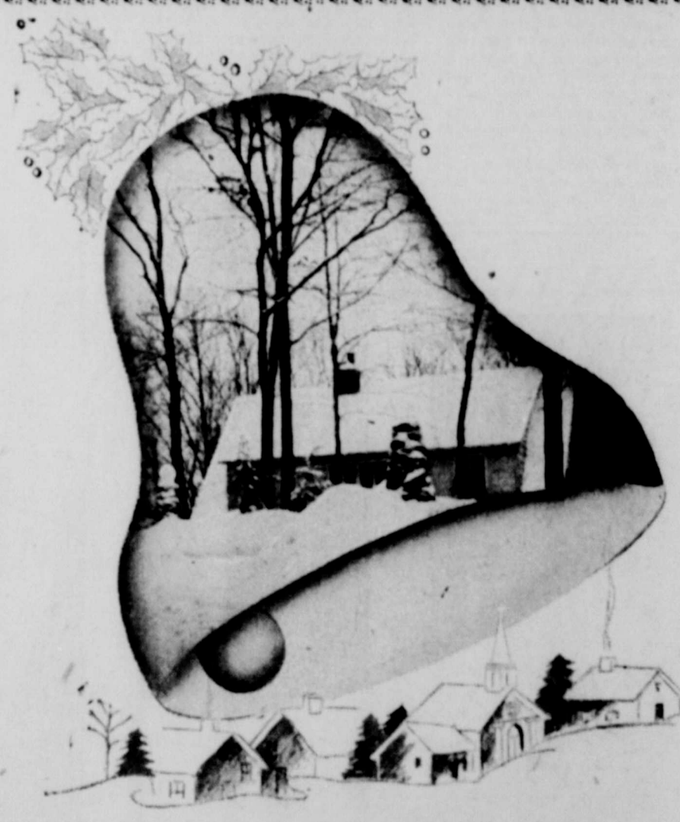

A Joyous CHRISTMAS

THE multi-colored lights which adorn your Christmas tree will be reflected, we hope, in the radiance of your joy through all the years to follow. And may the happy surprises which await you mark the beginning of a future which will be filled with the good things of life. MERRY CHRISTMAS . . . and we repeat, "may all your Christmases be bright."

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Elder J. B. Hardy and
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1st and 3rd Sundays in each
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electric cooperative organat Tahoka, Texas, has re- a loan of over $400,000 for improvements and for 431 line serving 751 consumers.

Alfalfa Church

Alfalfa School House
Carroll Wall, Superintendent
Sunday School, 3:00 p. m.
Preaching, 3:30 p. m. second Sunday of each month.

Waka Brethren

"The Church of the Brethren"
Waka, Texas
P. E. Rhine, Minister
Sunday:
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School
11:00 a. m.—Junior Church
11:00 a. m.—Morning Worship
7:30 p. m.—Evening Worship
Wednesday:
7:30 p. m.—Choir Practice

Full Gospel Church

Tica Taber, Pastor
Sunday Services—
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.
Morning Service, 11:00 a. m.
Evening Service—7:30 p. m.
Wednesday:
Mid-Week Prayer and Bible Study Service—7:30 p. m.
Friday: Prayer Meeting, 7:30 p. m.

Nazarene Church

Henry C. Thomas, Pastor
Sunday School—10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship—11:00 a. m.
N. Y. P. S.—6:45 p. m.
Evening Service—7:30 p. m.
Mid-week Prayer Service Wednesday Evening—7:30 p. m.
Womans Foreign Missionary Society Thursday—2:30 p. m.

Gray Church

Gray, Oklahoma
Sunday School—10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship—11:00 a. m.

Methodist Church

Booker, Texas
Cecil E. Ottinger, Minister
Sunday Services—
10 a. m.—Sunday School
11 a. m.—Worship Service
7 p. m.—Methodist Youth Fellowship
8 p. m.—Evening Worship
Wednesday—
8 p. m.—Mid-Week Service

Two-thirds of the veterans who had terminated their training under the G. I. Bill up to Aug. 31 had made arrangements to resume their training at a later date, Veterans Administration said.

Christian Church

Booker, Texas
"Home of Youth Center"
V. Alex Bills, Pastor
Lord's Day Services
Bible School, 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship, 11:00 a. m.
Christian Endeavor, 7:00 p. m.
(Junior and Senior)
Primary Bible Story Hour 7 p. m.
Evangelistic Service, 8:00 p. m.
Choir Rehearsal, Wed., 7:30 p. m.
Bible Class, Friday, 7:00 p. m.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Rev. W. B. Gummelt, Pastor
Sunday school and Bible class at 10 a. m.
Divine services every Sunday morning at 11.
Ladies' Aid meets the first Tuesday of each month.
A HAPPY HOME. Parents and children go to God's house together! "In Thy presence is fullness of joy." Psalm 16:11. Bethlehem Lutheran Church bids you a cordial welcome!

Christian Scientist

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Sunday services 11:00 a. m.
The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

Methodist Church

Herschel L. Thurston, Minister
Sunday—
Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.
Morning Worship, 10:55 a. m.
M. Y. F. Meetings, 6:45 p. m.
Evening Worship, 7:30 p. m.
Wednesday—
Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 p. m.
Stewards, 1st Wed. 7:30 p. m.
Thursday—
W. S. C. S., 3:00 p. m.
Wesleyan Service Guild meets second Monday nights at 7:30 p. m.
Mothers Club meets on third Fridays at 3:00 p. m.
A cordial welcome to everyone.

Christian Church

Ward H. N. Gregg, Pastor
10 a. m. Bible classes for all ages.
11 a. m. Morning worship service.
7:00 p. m. The Endeavor Hour.
8 p. m. Evening Worship Service.

Full Gospel Church

Booker, Texas
Raymond and Marian Campbell,
Evening Worship Service—8:00 p. m.
Wednesday—
Prayer and Bible Study Service—8:00 p. m.
Thursday—
Ladies' Bible Class, 3:30 p. m.

Christian Science

"Christian Science" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, December 29.

The Golden Text is: "Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light" (I Peter 2:9).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is t following from the Bible: "Who is wise, and will observe these things, even they shall understand the loving kindness of the Lord" (Psalms 107:43).

The Lesson Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "The Scriptures are very sacred. Our aim must be to have them understood spiritually, for only by this understanding can truth be gained" (page 547).

Edible Manger In Ukraine Rituals

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

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

Birds Suspected As Disease Carriers

JOHANNESBURG (AP)—The possibility that migratory birds are carriers of tuberculosis, the virus of yellow fever and malaria parasites is being investigated at the South African Institute for Medical Research.

Dr. B. de Mellion, entomologist at the Institute, says it is not known how yellow fever spreads, and they are probing every possible cause. Airplanes were once suspected, but they are now rigorously sprayed all down the African routes and the fever is still spreading.

"If the new theory is proved," said Dr. de Mellion, "it will necessitate wholesale slaughter of migratory birds."

Sweet potatoes should be completely mature before they are dug for storage.

The Holy Thorn Of Glastonbury

In honor of the Hawthorn, which legendarily shielded Christ while he rested in the woods before the crucifixion, Joseph of Arimathaea chose a thorn staff when he started on his long journey to Britain shortly after the death of Christ. Arriving at last at his new home in Glastonbury, Joseph stuck his walking stick into the ground; the staff began to grow and soon acquired the habit of producing flowers each Christmas Eve.

The first literary mention of the thorn is contained in Hearne's History and Antiquities of Glastonbury, published in 1722. In this work, Mr. Eyston states: "Whether it sprang from St. Joseph of Arimathaea's dry staff, I cannot find, but beyond all dispute it sprang up miraculously."

When Britain adopted the Gregorian calendar in 1753, 2,000 persons assembled at Glastonbury on December 25—new style—to see if the Holy Thorn would bloom in agreement with the new calendar; when it did not, many refused to participate in the usual observances of Christmas. The evil of changing calendars was proven when the thorn blossomed on January 5—Christmas Eve—old style—and many ministers in the vicinity of Glastonbury appeased their congregations by announcing that Christmas would be observed according to the old calendar.

A cutting of the Glastonbury thorn was brought to America in 1900 and planted near St. Alban's school in Washington, D. C., by the late Right Rev. Henry Gates Satterlee. The cutting grew into a tree, blossoming for the first time in December, 1918; since then, it has blossomed each year at Christmastime and attracts thousands of visitors annually.

UNBEATEN WELTER—Charley Fusari, 21-year-old welterweight fighter from Irvington, N. J., has his sights set on the 145-pound championship vacated by Marty Servo. Fusari, who won all his nine bouts as a New Jersey amatuer has built up an unbroken string of 46 professional victories, 23 of them by knockouts.

Museum Exhibits Churchill War Maps

LONDON (AP)—Three-dimensional maps which Winston Churchill had made during the war and used constantly, and the brightly polished tin hat which he was supposed to use—but didn't during air raids, are on show at the Imperial War Museum which has reopened for the first postwar exhibition of its property.

The four maps, of South East England, the Channel coast, Greece and Burma, show every hill.

One exhibit shows the arrangement for exploding 40 gallon oil drums on roads in the path of the enemy had invasion come.

Soil fertility is the foundation of profitable farming.

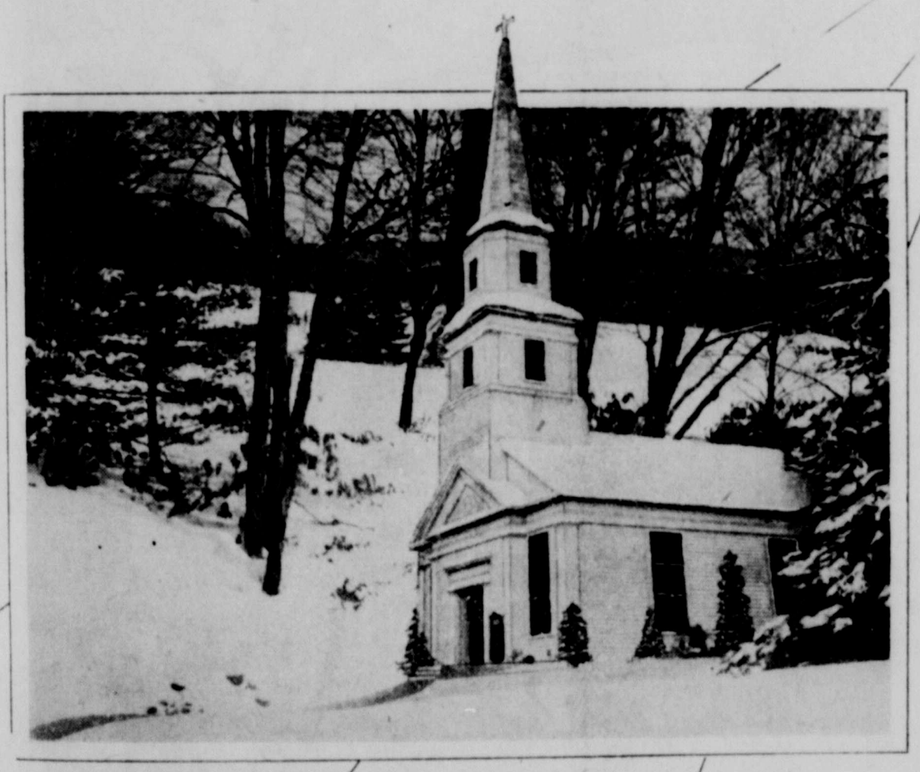
Red Cross Aids Berlin's Children

BERLIN (AP)—With authorization from the Allied Kommandantur, the International Red Cross announced that it is undertaking a winter relief program to aid Berlin's children, aged and sick.

It will distribute $360,000 worth of food, medicines and shoes to an estimated 395,000 Berliners.

The gifts were contributed from Switzerland, Ireland, Argentina, Venezuela and Peru and from German prisoners of war who were confined in the United States and since have been repatriated.

Stocking pastures conservatively leaves enough grass to hold fall rains and allow for storage of plant food in grass roots.



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Yuletide Season
The time of the year when bells ring out the gladsome tidings in our hearts—the time of the year when the Star a-top the Christmas tree shines brightly, reflecting in its brilliance the memory of good things in the past—better things to come. Our sincerest wish for the best to all of you on Christmas Day.
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Gadget Called Coyote Getter Really Works

By VERN HAUGLAND

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—Government coyote and wolf hunters are mowing 'em down with the airplanes and a little gadget called the coyote-getter. The U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service says they are the most effective weapons now used against predatory animals.

The hunters especially praise the 'getter. Since 1940 the Wildlife Service's supply depot at Pocatello, Idaho, alone has issued more than 50,000 of them to district agents.

A set-gun only a few inches long, the coyote-getter is imbedded in the ground and covered with rabbit fur or wool about the size of a man's thumb. When an animal seizes the bait, the gun fires a cartridge of sodium cyanide into his mouth. He usually dies within 100 or 200 feet.

Albert M. Day, director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, reports: "In Texas, increased and improved use of the coyote-getter was chiefly responsible for a 45 per cent increase in the number of coyotes and wolves killed during the 1945-46 fiscal year.

"Of 24,842 wolves and coyotes killed in Texas during the year, more than 35 per cent were accounted for by the coyote-getter. Its chief advantages are its simplicity, its adaptability to use on ranges where livestock or game are grazing, and its humane effectiveness."

Elko County, Nevada, stockmen are among the leaders in the use of airplanes for finding coyote colonies by tracks in the snow, for dropping poisoned baits or merely for shooting. An aerial marksman killed 23 coyotes in four hours and 20 minutes over a Ruby Valley ranch at a cost of $50.

The hunters still use traps and poison in many areas where they have proven more effective and in some places where it's a question of occasionally cleaning up a few survivors of earlier campaigns.

Coyotes killed 35 sheep, seven calves and 50 turkeys on the Lay Brothers ranch at Lolo, Mont., and 22 suckling pigs and 20 chickens at a neighboring Chris Maier farm, from May 1944 to September 1945. Losses totaled $1,360.

Hunter Virgil McCrossin arrived Sept. 8, 1945. By April 1, 1946, he had trapped or poisoned 71 coyotes. There were no further losses.

A Jackson County, Colo., sheepman who annually lost up to 10 per cent of his flocks to coyotes reported no losses between the time they were put on spring range and their return to feeding areas this fall, thanks to hunters.

Ben Norman, whose 1,500 sheep range in Sioux County, Nebr., said coyote control has become so effective he has been able to leave his herds unattended since October, 1945—at a saving in herder's pay of $650.

Fifty-two sheep belonging to Steel Goudy, Silver Lake, Ore., strayed away last November and didn't return until February. Only four were missing. In the same county, J. W. O'Keefe lost 164 sheep from his band and recovered all but two after a month, a record unheard-of in the days before coyote control.

Massachusetts poultry raisers have reported individual losses up to $5,000 a month to prowling foxes. Farmers of Knox County, Nebr., organizing a predatory animal control project last April, estimated their annual losses from predatory animals at $49,000.

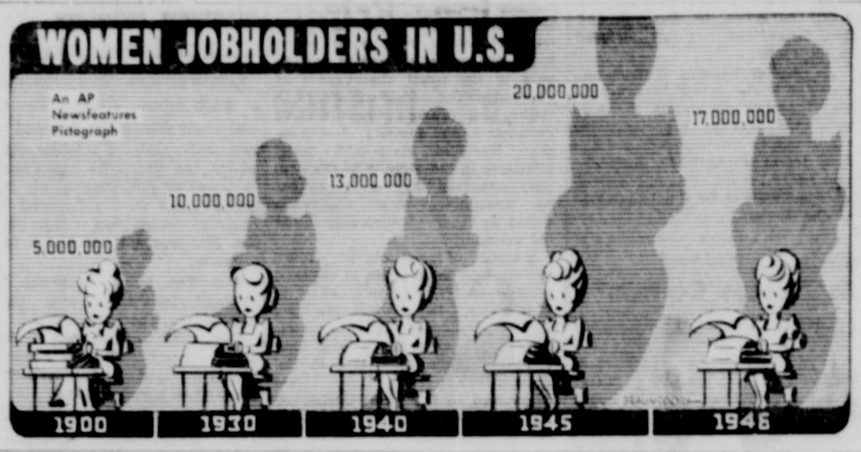
D. R. Irwin, of Hopkins County, Texas, caught a female wolf in a trap by two toes of a front foot in January 1943. She escaped and since then has eluded traps, altho Irwin has trapped her pups each year and also captured four of her mates. During the next three years, she killed turkeys, lambs, kids and pigs valued at $2,000. Finally captured recently, she was about to give birth to 11 pups.

In Gabylonian and related societies, the physician was generally a priest, whose prime function it was to interpret omens so as to know the intentions of the gods, and to placate them if provoked.

The Indians attributed great supernatural and sacred import to white buffalo hides.

Office Furniture at Herald office!

CALENDAR GIRLS—The golden era of the American woman is here, says Rolf Armstrong, calendar-girl artist. Rolf adds that American women have been growing steadily more perfect in men's eyes, because they are discarding artifice for reality and naturalness. He strongly protested the upsweep hairdo as a fashion, stating that the ugliest part of a woman is the back of her neck, especially if she has big ears. He prefers the long bob style.



QUOTES OF THE WEEK

"Imagine the horse-laugh I'd get if I organized a Brass Hats' Local!"—*Gen. Ike Eisenhower, addressing CIO convention.*

"If people'd think of fairies they'd forget the atom bomb."—*Walt Disney, defending movies about elves, etc.*

"Harry didn't seem worried. But then, he's always happy."—*President Truman's sister, on his visit to Grandview, Mo.*

"For the past 14 years the Federal government has been indulging in a monstrous orgy of deficit spending."—*Sen. Arthur Capper, Kansas.*

"Profits are the wages of capital, the return on money invested in the tools and plants furnished the workers."—*Leslie Gould, financial editor.*

"They're the nicest of all, and the best looking."—*Richard Stuart, dance director, praising knock-kneed gals.*

More than half the population of New Zealand numbered about 1,000; in 1939 it was 1,551,334.

Nearly two-thirds of New Zealand has an elevation of between 650 and 3,500 feet.

Twelve major airlines in the U. S. now are operating planes for cargo carrying only.

Christmas Cheer

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

Ray's Cafe

Joy to the World

Christmas

● **Christmas is not all tinsel** and tissue or **colored lights and merriment.** It has a **deeper significance, rooted in the** long gone **past, which sets it high above all** other holidays **of the year.**

● **It is our hope that this** blessed season **will bring to your home not only** the festive **joys of Yuletide but that deep** inner peace **which is essentially a part of** Christmas.

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS

With All the Pleasures

Your Heart Desires

and Hope

The New Year Will

Bring Health and

Prosperity

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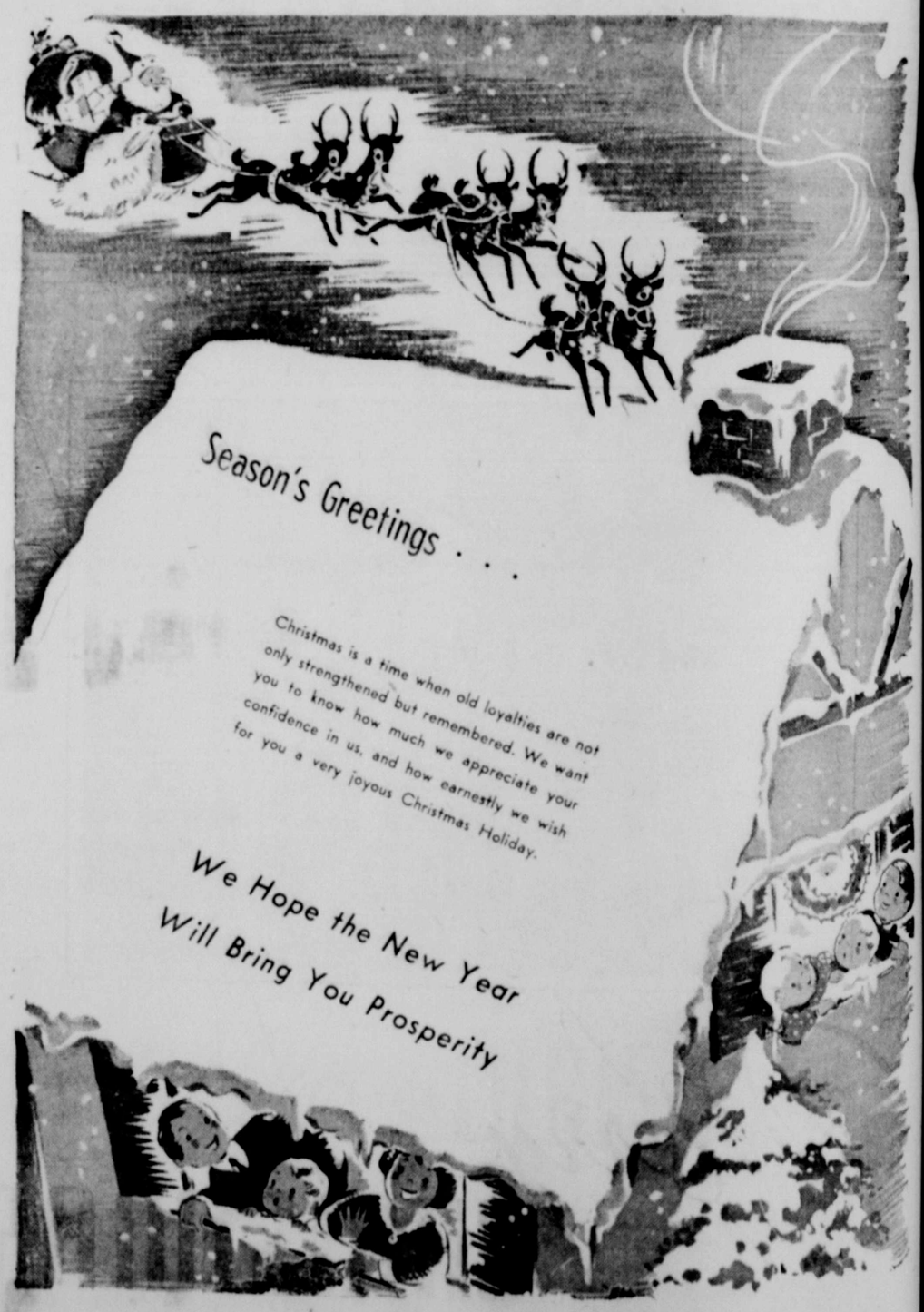

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Christmas Greetings

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May Countless Blessings Bring True Joy to You and Yours at Christmastime!

New Year Wishes

We Extend to All a Cordial Greeting for the New Year — May It Be Filled to Overflowing with the Good Things You So Much Desire and Which You So Richly Deserve!

Thursday -- Friday

December 26-27

Mona Freeman, Richard Denning, Evelyn Ankers, Charles Evans, J. M. Kerrigan and Joyna Macgill in—

"Black Beauty"

The story treasured in millions of hearts becomes a motion picture for you to cherish. You will want to see this picture taken from one of the most widely-read classics in the history of Amercian fiction.

Saturday

December 28

Hoosier Hotshots, Ken Curtis, Joan Barton and Guy Kibbee in—

"Lone Star Moonlight"

The whole West's makin' merry in this tune-happy . . . fight happy . . . laugh happy action musical with the Hoosier Hotshots. It comes right out of the heart of Texas and into your heart.

Saturday Night

Preview — 11:45

December 28

Brad Brady and Sheila Ryan in—

"Slightly Scandalous"

It's double . . . or nothing. Twin brothers are twin brothers when she can't tell their kisses apart. It's the all-hightime of fun and romantic rhythm.

New Year's Eve, Dec. 31

Jack Haley and Marcey McGuire in—

"Sing Your Way Home"

Up sky high on the downbeat. It's the blue-nose act for gloom when a gang of teen-age twangies let loose with the talent on a home bound cruise . . . and the rusty dusty ickies get the can . . . it's hot, hep and strictly terrif. See radio's comedy ace . . . in the hole.

Sunday -- Monday

December 29-30

Carry Grant, Alexis Smith, Monty Woolley, Ginny Sims, Jane Wyman, Eve Arden, Alan Hale, Donald Woods in—

"Night and Day"

The story of Cole Porter's life—and his music which is beloved by millions. Filmed in gorgeous technicolor, the engrossing story tells of a man who fought to bring his music to the world—and the story of the woman who loved him.

"March of Time"

Tuesday -- Wednesday

Dec. 31 - Jan. 1

Barbara Stanwyck, Dennis Morgan, Sydney Greenstreet, Reginald Gardiner, S. C. Sakall, Robert Shayne and Una O'Connor in—

"Christmas In Connecticut"

It's that double-trouble dame . . . it's that 'God Is My Co-Pilot Guy' . . . they're having the time of their love-life in the teasin' and squeezin' hit of the season.

Thursday -- Friday

January 2-3

Dorothy Lamour, Ray Milland, Akim Tamiroff, Lynn Overman, and Molly Lamont in—

"The Jungle Princess"

A romance in the heart of the Malayan jungle between a white man lost in the wilderness and a girl who had never seen a white man before is the story of action-packed "The Jungle Princess." Dorothy Lamour plays the child of the jungle whose only companion is a full-grown man-eating tiger and a giant chimpanzee. Ray Milland, star of "The Lost Weekend," plays the part of the explorer in the Malay jungle who is saved by the girl and then falls in love with her.

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Can Wages Be Raised Without Raising Prices?

The CIO's claim that wages can be raised 25 per cent without raising prices disregards, perhaps purposely, a number of factors which enter into production in American industry.

The margin between cost price and selling price of finished products is not nearly so wide as the CIO would have people believe. There are middlemen who distribute the products and must make a profit for their efforts. Of course, taxes still take up a percentage of profits. The costs of reconversion, replacement costs of worn-out or obsolete equipment, cuts down the margin.

Labor leaders would best serve their own clientele and the nation if they would begin to think in terms of real income rather than dollar income. Insistence upon wage raises, merely for the sake of maintaining a front for the rank and file of union members who pay the leaders' salaries, is adding force to the boom-and-bust cycle of inflation and abrupt deflation.

BABSON DISCUSSES STRIKES

ROGER W. BABSON Editor-in-Chief

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 20— Everyone is now discussing the coal strike and planning for anti-labor legislation next month. But the problem is far deeper than "John L. Lewis." He might die tonight; but severe labor troubles would still be with us.

Strikes Very Costly

It is true that strikes are very costly,—to labor, employers, and to the public. As a rule, it takes wage workers about sixty months to make up what is lost in wages in a 100-days strike which wins with a 18½ per cent increase. This means that a 30-days strike requires twenty months to catch up; and that with the average strike employees must work about two years at their average increased wages before they gain a penny.

Certainly in nine cases out of ten labor would be far better off to accept a company offer of 10% without striking than to strike and get more. This is not figuring the loss to employers in which labor should also be very much interested because every strike delays and postpones [illegible]

The Public Suffers Also

The innocent public which is largely made up of wage workers also suffers as consumers fear every strike. As production is reduced, prices must rise or hold up longer. The nation gets richer only by producing more. Strikes are the chief cause of today's high prices. Strikes are chiefly to blame for inflation. The real difficulty is not with wage increases per se as this money quickly goes into circulation and there may be no loss to the nation as a whole from a reasonable wage increase of 10%. But this is not true in the case of strikes.

Strikes mean a loss in production which may never be made up. Strikes mean a waste of time which can never be recovered. Lost production is more serious than lost money; while lost time is far more serious than the loss of both production and money. Hence, both labor and management commit a hideous crime against the nation when they permit a strike. Both are traitors when they step [illegible] refuse [illegible]

What Is the Solution

[illegible] lies not with legislation. [illegible]

American people about $15,000,000,000 per year. Almost everyone agrees that both strikes and liquor are a waste of money, time and manhood. Politicians have tried to solve both by legislation and most attempts have failed thus far. I know of what I speak because I have both served as Assistant Secretary of Labor and as Presidential Candidate of the Prohibition Party.

Of course, when wrong legislation has been passed, as was the case with the Wagner Act, more legislation is required to correct it. Legislation should be fair to employers and wage-earners [illegible] [illegible] Legislation can prevent [illegible] from operating under bad working conditions but legislation cannot make people take proper care of their health.

Education and Religion

The solution of the labor problem, the liquor problem and the health problem lies with Education and Religion. Education teaches what we should do; but we need also Religion to have the will-power to do what we ourselves know that we should do. One is the lock and the other is the key;—neither is [illegible] alone.

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don herold says:

The mistake most strikers make is in thinking there is more gravy at the top than there is—more profits than there really are.

Only five or six per cent of the national income are profits.

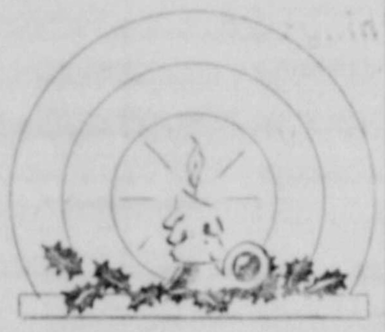
So strikers are hammering up against a closer ceiling than they think. If they hammer too hard, two things can happen.

People who save money will be discouraged from investing and will just live up their savings. This can cause a depression.

Or manufacturers will have to raise prices and pass them on to the buying public (which incidentally includes the workers). This causes inflation and may cause a buyers' strike . . . and a depression.

Anybody planning a strike should first count ten. It's more than a grab at "profits."

St. Lucy Honored Throughout Sweden



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

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

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

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

Branded—But Not On His Calf

SYRNEY—(AP) — One Australian has a burning memory of how a poddy calf feels when it is branded—he bears the registered brand of a New South Wales farmer on his flesh. During branding time the red hot brand was rested against a log; not noticing it, a neighbor sat on the log and the brand. It is reported that he made far more fuss than any calf ever did.

Lecithin, recovered from soybean oil, is used by the petroleum industry to stabilize the color of its refined products.

Poles Extend Time For Nationalization

WARSAW, Poland (AP)—The Polish government is expected to grant a further extension of time to foreign interests for the presentation of claims with Poland's nationalization of basic industries.

Nov. 30 had been set as the deadline for the filing of claims, but the newspaper Glos Ludu said that "it will not be possible to complete all the work connected with the nationalization of industry by Dec. 31, 1946, the date provided for in the law nationalizing industry."

The journal added recommendations had been submitted to the council of ministers proposing amendments to the nationalization law and providing that the publication of lists of industries to be taken over by the state be extended to March 31, 1947.

Love's Language

ALTON, Ill.—(AP)—Mrs. William Phillips teaches a French class at Shurtleff college, and one of her pupils is her husband. Phillips met the former Genevieve Bonvalet, pretty and possessor of a bachelor of philosophy degree, when he was in France with the U. S. Army. She came to this country last August, and they were married.

Miss Keller's Books

LONDON—(AP)—The British National Institution for the blind will present a number of Braille volumes, including the plays of Shakespeare, to Helen Keller, deaf and sightless author, whose Braille library was destroyed when her home in Easton, Conn., burned recently.

QUOTES OF THE WEEK

"Just wanted to see if it could be done."—*George Howe, Mobile, Ala., who, at 92, is hoofing it to California.*

"Men don't chew tobacco any more."—*New York Health Dept., rescinding requirements for cuspidors in barber shops.*

"They treat me good here. I want to stay."—*Antonio Tardo, turning down parole from San Quentin Prison.*

"The more radical become labor demands, the surer our farmers are to oppose them."—*Lewis Haney, Prof. of Economics, New York Univ.*

"The incentive to work is paid for in wages; the incentive to invest is paid for in profits."—*Board Chairman Robert R. Wason, National Association of Manufacturers.*

"From now on I'll stick to whistling!" — *Patrolman Ned Fanning, Tulsa, Okla., who threw jaw out of joint scolding a traffic violator.*

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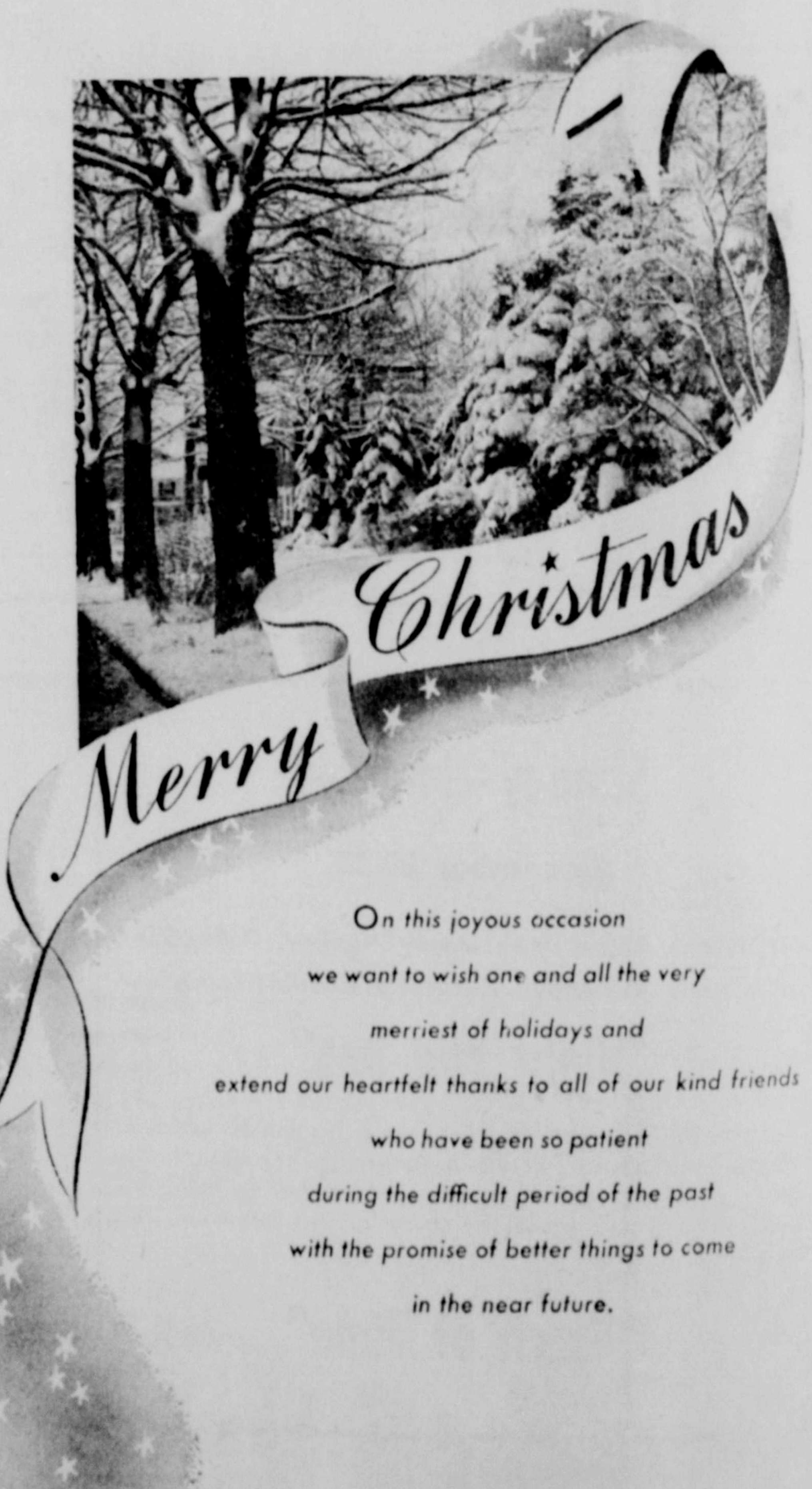

On this joyous occasion
we want to wish one and all the very
merriest of holidays and
extend our heartfelt thanks to all of our kind friends
who have been so patient
during the difficult period of the past
with the promise of better things to come
in the near future.

R. B. Yoakley, Jeweler

Merry Christmas

from the

Farmer's Cooperative Society

With the passing of each year, our Christmas Greetings to you become more and more an essential part of our lives. This year, perhaps more than ever, we have looked forward to the opportunity of sending a message of good cheer to you. We are aware of the disappointments that have been yours; we are familiar with the good things in life which have been yours to enjoy. And at this Christmas time, we want it to be one of those great occasions which you will long remember as being a happy season, full of hope for Health, Peace and Contentment.

H. E. Smith

Harold Garrison

Travers Parsons

Mrs. Mark Boehning

Directors

A. E. Pittman

Harold Kershaw

H. C. Brillhart

G. M. Cooper

Orlan Bell

Farmer's Co-Op Society

Nothing But Gentlemen on This Team Although the Records Don't Show It

By HORACE B. WARD

(AP Newsfeatures)

LA GRANGE Ky.—On the football field these all themselves the "Red Angels," but when they're "at home" each player is just "convict number so-and-so."

There are 38 of them and they make up the entire squad of Kentucky State reformatory here. The team goes over the walls to play games, setting a new precedent in the prison's history. And when they travel, they ride in an ordinary bus with only three guards to watch the entire squad.

Warden Frank Kieren, a former colonel in the Marines, says the men's conduct on the gridiron has been exemplary and the team is doing a good job of raising the morale of the prison.

Bill Hill, the team's business manager, says, "We call ourselves the Red Angels because that's what we're not." Bill says he expects to manage the team for some time, due to a 21-year armed robbery sentence. The manager adds, "not a man has acted other than as a gentleman during our games and trips."

After a recent game with a merchant's team at Covington, Ky., a spectator wrote Kieren that the "Angels" played "a fine, clean game and made a fine impression here."

Coach of the reformatory team is Jack Belcher who is here for armed robbery, the records show, and who drills the boys in the T formation instead of the lockstep.

All through the lineup it's the same—star player is Laconia (Connie) Williams 185-pound Negro back who is in prison for armed robbery, Kieren said. Fullback (King) Looney is a 205-pounder listed on the prison books as serving a term for rape. Also according to the book, the ends, Slick Wilson and Billy (Legs) Bolton, are up for housebreaking and grand larceny respectively. A smashing defensive guard is Jimmy Hall, whose record shows a conviction for armed robbery, and who says he once played football at a reform school.

No Stays Granted

JERUSALEM—(AP)—When Jerusalem Corsetmaker Hanna Grun was convicted of overcharging for corsets and brassieres, the magistrate's court decided Palestine's "Defence Emergency Regulations" had been violated, fined her $120.

Jamaica is the largest island of the British West Indies.

NATIONAL CHAMPIONS—Winners of the 1946 NCAA basketball championship are the Oklahoma Aggies (above). Featuring seven foot two inch Bob Kurland the Aggies won 31 games while losing two. They halted California 52-35 for the western division NCAA crown and came east to retain the national title with a 43-40 win over North Carolina in the NCAA final. Pictured above are, left to right, Weldon Kern, J. L. Park, A. L. Bennett, Blake Williams, Sam Aubrey and Bob Kurland.

HERALD CLASSIFIED ADS GET RESULTS!

A Volunteer Santa Speaks His Heart

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Maryland's Challenge In a Skin Game

CAMBRIDGE, Md. (AP)—Muskrat-skinning and oyster-shucking competition will be held here late in January, Emmett C. Andrew, contest chairman, said [illegible] a demonstration of [illegible] point of [illegible]

Farmer of Tomorrow Big Shot in Overalls

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—The farmer is on the verge of becoming a big business man, in the opinion of Charles W. Moore, director of market research for the SKF Industries Inc.

"Industrial progress is gradually transforming farming into a luxurious way of life for those who practice it shrewdly," says Moore, who specializes in industrial forecasts to guide his company's production of anti-friction bearings.

"Farm machinery is being improved so rapidly," he explains, that combined with crop specialization and diversification it is bringing farming from the drudgery stage to the rank of a skilled profession.

"The farmer of tomorrow will be a professional man in overalls, a business executive in boots. He will work less and worry more like a management official."

The Armed Forces Leave Act of 1946 authorizes Veterans Administration to accept terminal leave bonds in lieu of cash for the payment of premiums on all forms of National Service Life Insurance.

Chile produces two-thirds of South America's mineral and metal output.

MERRY MERRY Christmas

MAY TRUE HAPPINESS IN ALL ITS FULLNESS BE YOURS THIS CHRISTMASTIME

Glen Smith

Conoco Service

May Your Christmas

Be Merry—

May the New Year

Bring You

Good Health and Prosperity

In this most cordial of holidays,
when joy prevails everywhere,
may we bring this message of
good cheer to each of you,
and express a sincere wish that
the coming year holds the realization
of your fondest hopes and ambitions.

The Food Bank

B. R. Pletcher — Rufus Bolerjack — R. T. Pittman

Merry Christmas
TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

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

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

Anderson Paint and Body Shop

Jim Anderson, Owner

Located East Brillhart Ave.

"You could sleep at my house," she said.

helped her into a taxi he regretted his impulse to accept.

The driver stopped in front of a toy of a house. Snow peaked the fence posts and was like crushed diamonds on the walk. She opened a door into the kitchen, and Private Kane looked around at the fancy lamp with glass prisms, the elegant silver canister on the worn red and white checked tablecloth. "Where's everyone?" he asked.

"I live alone." Her blue eyes were apologetic. "I told you you'd better go on and have a jolly Christmas Eve—"

He lifted a stove lid on the range. A red glow flickered. He dumped in coal and opened the drafts with an authoritative flip. "It'll be cozy in no time. Better gettcha some coal."

"You shouldn't have all this trouble," she protested.

"Trouble!" A wry grin twisted his lips. "Say, don't take off your coat. We're going to shop."

Private Kane and Miss Rigsby selected carefully. He stopped before a fir. "Let's buy it." Private Kane smiled as he set his purchases down at the door. "You wait here a minute." Of course, he reminded himself, this was only make-believe having a home. Just the crumbs.

He had bought her a fleecy blue scarf when he asked her to wait. Back at the house he set the table. The silverware was carved with cherubs. "Gosh, that's swell hardware."

After supper they trimmed the tree. "Tinsel's a little tarnished," she said. "Oh! The angel!" She held it tenderly. "Pa always fastened it on the very top."

His eyes lingered on the lamp, the tree, the silverware. Gosh, the quiet of it! Crumbs to remember. "You—could have a room of your own—" she stopped. Then, "If—if you wanted to come back here. After the war, I mean." She pushed a round fat object into his hand. "It was Pa's. I want you to have it."

Private Kane sat up. "Me?" he breathed. "Me." The watch was heavy and solid. He turned it over, observing the grand manner in which it was carved. "Thanks. Aw, gee—"

"Merry Christmas," she beamed. "Merry Christmas to you."

Once more his eyes swept the room. Home! Why—this wasn't crumbs. This was bread!

It is estimated that there were 30,000,000 buffaloes in America when the white man first arrived.

Office Furniture at Herald office

...e who give themselves grow

...kindly word, the spontaneous ...the thoughtful deed — those ...utward expressions of the ...ss inside the hearts and ...of men.

...e of us in the newspaper ...ss must record the little ...that make news day by day. ...we wish there were less of ...ss in the world and more of ...irit of Christmas scattered ...hout the year. But the day ...arks the birth of Jesus ...with it a rebirth of faith ...ce and a realization that deep down inside ...ach person t... Christ-like qualities of ...unselfishness, loyalty and devotion to the highest principles of God and man. It is those qualities which make Christmas the most joyous season of all.

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

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

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

Penicillin for Germans

HAMBURG (AP) — Supplies of penicillin are now sufficient to enable it to be made available to Germans and displaced persons in the British zone, the Control Commission has announced.

Earl Bunting, president of the O'Sullivan Rubber Corporation of Winchester, Va., was elected president of the National Association of Manufacturers for 1947 at its recent annual convention in New York.

Mr. Bunting brings to his new task of heading the NAM more than 30 years of business experience.

He was born in Berryville, Ill., on July 29, 1893 and was educated in public and private schools.

Polish-German Trade

WARSAW, Poland—(AP)—A Polish delegation of the ministry of navigation and foreign trade, headed by Jan Stanislaw Broniewicz, has opened negotiations with Soviet authorities for the conclusion of a new agreement covering the import and export of goods into the Russian occupied zone in Germany. The original agreement, made in 1945, expires shortly.

The kiwi is the emblem animal of New Zealand.

Texas dairymen cannot afford to keep low-producing cows.

That's What He Gets For Knocking

SANTA FE, N. M.—(AP)—A pesky woodpecker has posed a problem here that may boomerang on him in the end.

His noisy pecking has disturbed the slumbers of Mrs. George H. Wiseheart, who appealed to the state game department and city police for "protection against this nuisance."

Police advised Mrs. Wisehart to apply to the district court for permission to have the woodpecker shot.

Facts and Fancies Of New Year's Day

New Year's with its open houses, parties, exchanging of New Year's cards, horn tooting, Auld Lang Syne and New Year's resolutions, is one of the ol... celebrations. As a holiday ...n observed since ancient t... has been marked throughout ... by the giving of gifts and the exchange of greetings.

The early Persians said "Happy New Year!" with colored eggs. They regarded New Year's in much the same way we, today, regard Easter — as a time of renewal of all things. And on New Year's Day, pagan Britons received branches of sacred mistletoe from their Druid priests.

According to some authorities the custom of gift-giving at New Year's originated in 747 B. C. when the Romans presented Tatius, king of the Sabines, with boughs from trees consecrated to Strenia, the goddess of strength. Consequently, New Year's gifts became known as "strenae" and were exchanged among friends and neighbors and exacted by emperors from their subjects.

The Emperor Claudius showed unprecedented concern for the "populi's" pocketbook by serving notice to the Roman citizenry that the cost of all "strenae" given to him should not exceed a specified amount.

While the observation of New Year's dates from early Persian time, the modern version with its noise and celebration is a vastly different affair than the B. C. period.

Henry III of England, however, wasn't so considerate. He followed the Roman tradition of exacting New Year's gifts from his subjects, and this custom was carried on by succeeding monarchs up until the time of Charles I.

It was this practice which caused one of Henry VIII's most embarrassing moments. One "Honest Old Latimer," instead of presenting his sovereign lord with the usual purse of gold, gave him the New Testament with a leaf conspicuously folded down at Hebrews XIII. 4, which passage bore certain appropriateness to the monarch's domestic failings.

Most noted for fabulous New Year's "hauls" was Good Queen Bess. Her presents ranged from jewel-embroidered petticoats to fatted geese for the royal larder.

However, when Oliver Cromwell and the Puritans took over the English government, they put an end to this extravagant practice, only to have it revived later by the royal Stuarts.

In Merrie Olde England, the common New Year's article of exchange amongst the ordinary citizenry was a pair of gloves. Occasionally the gloves were accompanied by sums of money which came to be known as "glove money."

A story is told of Sir Thomas More, lord-chancellor, who decided a case in favor of a certain young lady. On the following New Year's Day, she sent him a pair of gloves with 40 gold coins enclosed. Sir Thomas returned the coins with the following note: "Mistress, since it were against good manners to refuse your New Year's gift, I am content to take your gloves, but as for the 'lining' I utterly refuse to take it."

Pins, too, were a common New Year's gift at this time and the money accompanying them was referred to as "pin-money" — hence our modern term.

Today, in England and America, the practice of exchanging New Year's gifts is practically obsolete. But the spirit of hope and good will and resolution that characterizes the coming of the New Year is kept alive by the friendly and growing custom of exchanging New Year's cards with their colorful holiday symbols and hearty messages of cheer.

"Be Thou Well" On Christmas Day

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

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

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

Here is a recipe for wassail today:

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

Use Herald Wants for Results!

It is estimated that college enrollments may reach 2,000,000 by 1950.

The colony of British Guiana is the only British colony on the west coast of South America.

The comb has been used by all people and in every age for dressing the hair.

The men and women who furnish your telephone service send you their very best wishes for a happy holiday season.

Southwestern Associated Telephone Co.

Season's Greetings

At this Yuletide Season it is our sincere hope and wish that there may be peace and plenty ahead for you and yours; that happiness and prosperity may always be your lot in life; and that the New Year may see all entrenched firmly in the substantial principles that have made this community progress. Christmas gives us an opportunity to tell you how sincerely we appreciate your business, but along with your patronage we like to feel we have your friendship and good will as well.

Pounds Home and Auto Store

The Firestone Store

Christmas Greetings

This Is Our First Christmas With You

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

Bob Drake — Malcolm Bealmear

Best Way

"Your Best Way to Save"

Merry Christmas

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

Hotel Perryton and Coffee Shop

Color of Truth In This Advertising

CHICAGO—(AP)—They're putting the finishing touches on the picture of postwar railroad passenger comfort—fittingly enough — with paint brushes.

Ralph Haman, color and design engineer, is using a lot of color in cars the Pullman-Standard Car Manufacturing company is building for the Illinois Central train, City of New Orleans.

Light shades of yellow, green and blue will predominate on ceilings and walls. Seats will be in tones of cedar or red; floors in blues, greens or reds.

"Entering one of these cars, the patron's first concern is selecting a seat," Haman says in explaining the decor. "The wealth of color makes them stand out, inviting, although ignoring it after being seated however, the eye will revel in the . . . and ceilings which are peaceful and quieting. The car seems longer, brighter and brings out full powers of relaxation."

Color blind passengers can just curl up with a good book.

Lightning has been known to strike the same building several times during an electrical storm.

Ninety-one per cent of New Zealand's people are of British stock.

MAKE GOOD CHEER FOR Christmas

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

Dr. J. W. Chase

Mistletoe Distinct As Yule Decoration

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The fruits of the pandanus plant grow to football size.

Greeting Cards for every occasion at Stewart Printing Co.

ON Christmas Eve, Nancy hurried breathlessly into her rooming house. Surely the package from home would be there! But Mrs. Groggins, the ugly little landlady, shook her head.

"Nothing," she said. "The mailman went right by this afternoon."

Up in her room Nancy spent a lonesome Christmas Eve. She read awhile to forget her hunger, then went to bed. Next morning it was the destitute Mrs. Wilson who awakened her.

"Merry Christmas, Miss Bell!" she shouted, walking into the room uninvited. Nancy was irritated, momentarily, by this highly painted, shallow creature. But she quickly regained her composure. It was Christmas, after all!

"It was swell of you, dearie, to pay Mrs. Groggins a week's rent in advance last night," Mrs. Wilson said, settling herself into the most comfortable chair. "I don't know what would have happened, because I'm caught a bit short just now and couldn't pay!"

Nancy thought fast.

Nancy said it was all right, that she had been glad to do it, but then she felt hungry and remembered there had been no dinner—and now no breakfast. All because of Mrs. Wilson!

"I was just about to drop out for a bite to eat," her visitor explained, "and seeing you're all alone, I thought you might like to come along."

Nancy remembered the lone 25-cent piece in her purse. "Thank you so kindly, Mrs. Wilson," she answered quickly. "But I'm—I'm not feeling so well this morning. I'll just have a cup of coffee in my room!"

About noon she dressed, for Jim was calling for her at one o'clock. What a ravenous appetite she would have.

But one o'clock passed, and no Jim. Nor at 2 or 3, and Nancy's spirits began to give way. Had he, too, chosen to punish her on Christmas?

Downstairs she heard Mr. and Mrs. Groggins welcoming their guests for the day, and she took a vicarious pleasure from it. She heard the dinner bell, the clatter of dishes as they dined, and then the shuffling of chairs as the well-fed guests retired to the living room. By that time it was five o'clock and Nancy sat by her window, figuratively biting her fingernails. She was almost hysterical with fear, and she began to worry.

At six o'clock she put on her coat and dashed down the stairs, headed she knew not where. Perhaps to find Jim, perhaps merely to escape her room. She reached the entrance, turned the knob and pulled open the door—and there was Jim, just arriving!

Tearfully she threw herself into his arms, shivering from fright. "Oh, Jim!" she cried. "Where have you been?"

"But didn't you get my message?" he asked. "I had to work in the laboratory this afternoon, and telephoned Mrs. Groggins at 12:30!" His brow was furrowed.

Just then there was a voice behind them. "Miss Bell!" It was Mrs. Groggins. "A message for you. It came just before dinner, but then our guests arrived and I didn't get around to bringing it up."

Nancy took the slip from her hand, wiping away a tear. She heard Jim cursing.

"Let's get out of here, honey," he said, quietly.

A short time later they were dining by candlelight while a string ensemble played soft Christmas music in the background. Jim looked up from his coffee and smiled, then reached into his pocket.

"There was a big package on your desk at the office," he said. "It came today. From your folks, I guess. Too big to carry with me, but maybe this will take its place."

He reached for her left hand, then for the second finger, and at its tip he poised a diamond ring. Then he looked at her, asking assent.

"Yes, darling," she said softly. "It's the merriest Christmas ever!"

The Dominican Republic was formed in 1844.

Haiti has a population of about 3,500,000.

SO SAY WE ALL! By COLLIER

Tender Care is Needed for Old Refrigerators

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

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

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

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

In repairing the refrigerator, changing a fuse is about the limit of repair job the home-maker should attempt. Only an authorized service company should be allowed to make further repairs, says Mrs. Claytor. Housewives should remember that these rules of refrigerator care apply just as much to ice refrigerators, when they get one, as to the old box.

The authorized capacity of the Veterans Administration hospitals was increased by 1,882 beds during October, mainly because VA began receiving patients that month in three hospitals acquired from the Army.

COLD SUFFERERS
666 STARTS RELIEF JUST 6 SECONDS
Get famous prescription-type 666 for super-speedy relief from cold miseries. Try 666 Cold Tablets, 666 Liquid Cold Preparation today. Caution: Use only as directed.
666

To Our Many Friends

Merry Christmas

Glad thoughts

And special wishes
Are happily combined
To make this
Christmas Greeting
The warmest kind.

Best Wishes for 1947

SIMPSON'S SERVICE STATION
Farnsworth, Texas
Vernon Fronk — Harold Simpson

Holiday Greetings

"And Lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary, His Mother, and fell down, and worshipped Him; and when they had opened their treasures, they presented Him gifts; gold, frankincense and myrrh."

—The Gospel according to St. Matthew.

Extending Our Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year

Buick -- G.M.C. -- Sales and Service

Parts and Accessories

Motorola and Delco Home and Car Radios

RUSSELL MOTOR CO.

J. A. Russell, Owner

ver Hurt' — Ouch!

BURN, Ala. (AP)—Al Reeser, n's freshman fullback, was recently to list any unusual nings in his athletic career. rote that he had never been in a grid battle. Since he fill- the questionnaire, Reeser has knocked out once, injured an and was sidelined for several with a broken collar bone.

Russia Has the Most Powerful and Far-Flung Radio Broadcasting System in All the World

By EDDIE GILMORE
(AP) Newsfeatures

MOSCOW—Although it is not generally recognized abroad, Russia has the most powerful, most far-flung radio system in the world.

Its thousand of broadcasting stations and its millions of loud speakers play an integral part in the educational and cultural life of the people.

The U. S. S. R.'s stations broadcast in 55 to 60 different languages to just the people within this country and in practically all the main tongues of the world to those living in other nations.

To begin with, the Russians have radio sets, most of them equipped with short-wave receiving bands. Contrary to what you may hear abroad, the Russian people can listen to what they want and as long as they want.

Although there are no means private receiving sets (the Soviet Union makes a good, inexpensive one with shortwave bands), most of the listening in this country is over the nation-wide network of government installed loudspeakers. Soviet citizens can buy this simple, inexpensive speaker in almost every city.

There is no tax of any kind on radio receiving sets or loud speakers, as there is in England, and no commercial advertising is broadcast on them as in the United States.

One can get a program almost any hour of the day, although the central stations shut down between 2 and 6 a. m. unless there is something especially important.

To give a better idea, here is the average day's schedule:

The program opens with the sound of the Kremlin bells from Spassky Tower in Red Square, followed by the playing of the Soviet National Anthem. Then a voice says, "Good morning, comrade, this is Moscow speaking."

The first item is always news. This news is always read by a man and a woman announcer alternating on various dispatches. After the local news, the radio gives dispatches from abroad. This is followed by a program necessary for the day, then usually some light music.

At 7 a. m. another news broadcast is given, generally fuller than the one at 6 a. m., and then there are setting up exercises by an enthusiastic anonymous gymnast. At 8 a. m. stations carry the reading of Pravda's main editorial, and at 8:45 a. m. there is another news program. By this time most of the going to work in factories and offices have been reached, and the radio goes into its program of entertainment and instruction.

Children's programs take up a large portion of the morning broadcast. These include the presentations of patriotic plays, which are stories about the war or the Red revolution. There are also musical programs for children or the reading of poems and stories by various types of authors.

After the children's hour there are some folk songs, short concerts or the reading of some lengthy studious report by an official or a worker.

All during the day entertainment is interspersed with the latest news. The afternoon is devoted to interviews, light music, recitations and, as dusk comes on, there are more programs for children. Often, there are presentations in which children participate.

In the evening there is a continuous flow of the news, followed by heavier, more serious programs. These include full-length operas or full-score symphonies, etc. Many of these broadcasts are done directly from the stages of theaters.

Public meeting broadcasts, if important enough, are put on at this time. Toward late evening stations often put on jazz bands playing dance tunes.

Russian stations go in for more recordings than the biggest station in the United States or the B. B. C. but they seem just as appreciative of live entertainment.

The internal radio shuts down with the playing of a hymn. The entire program has gone out over the Soviet Union on long, medium and short wavelengths. It reaches Russian listeners in the far-away Artic, in the depths of Siberia, in the mountains and on the Pamirs, the rooftop of the world.

While all this is going on, Moscow and some other big cities are broadcasting special programs in many languages of foreign countries.

Special programs are given at various hours beamed to the United States, others to Britain. They are different, of course, than the internal programs, featuring commentaries on the international situation and giving the Russian side on many questions of the day.

Radio programs appear in the papers, and Russian listeners can map out their day or night listening.

In addition to loud speakers in apartments, many loud speakers are placed in the city at corners, on squares, and in parks. While these do not operate all the time, they are turned on for special occasions and holidays.

Russia is constantly building and rebuilding its radio, and her biggest stations are among the most powerful in the world.

RUSSIA CLAIMS radio was invented by Alexander Popov, whose bust is shown at right, while Russians view first model.

The average salinity of Great Salt Lake, Utah, is almost six times greater than that of the ocean.

American citizens, whether natural born or naturalized, are not subject to the immigration laws.

BARKS LIKE A DOG, has kangaroo pockets, and tiger's stripes, say Australian naturalists about this strange creature, called the Tasmanian "tiger." Australians are organizing expeditions in hope of securing a pair of the rare animals for breeding. Actually, say the naturalists, the "tiger" is not a tiger and is not remotely related to a tiger. It is a marsupial, like the kangaroo, equipped with a body pouch in which its young are nutured until capable of taking care of themselves. Only thing that worries the members of the expedition is that no one has seen this animal at close range, or even long range. Tracks have been discovered which indicate that the animal exists, however.

Trade Uniforms

NEW HAVEN (AP) — Ehrhardt (Ott) Heller for many years captain of the New York Rangers, linesup with the New Haven Ramblers this season. Ott, in the opinion of most hockey men, was one of the most under-rated defensemen in hockey. During his 15 years as a regular with the Rangers he was selected many times to manager's and writers' all-star teams.

The U. S. bird population has been estimated at at least five bil-

JOYOUS YULETIDE

Here's wishing that the light of the season's cheer will glow through all you do, adding greatly to your Christmas happiness.

MAGNOLIA SERVICE STATION

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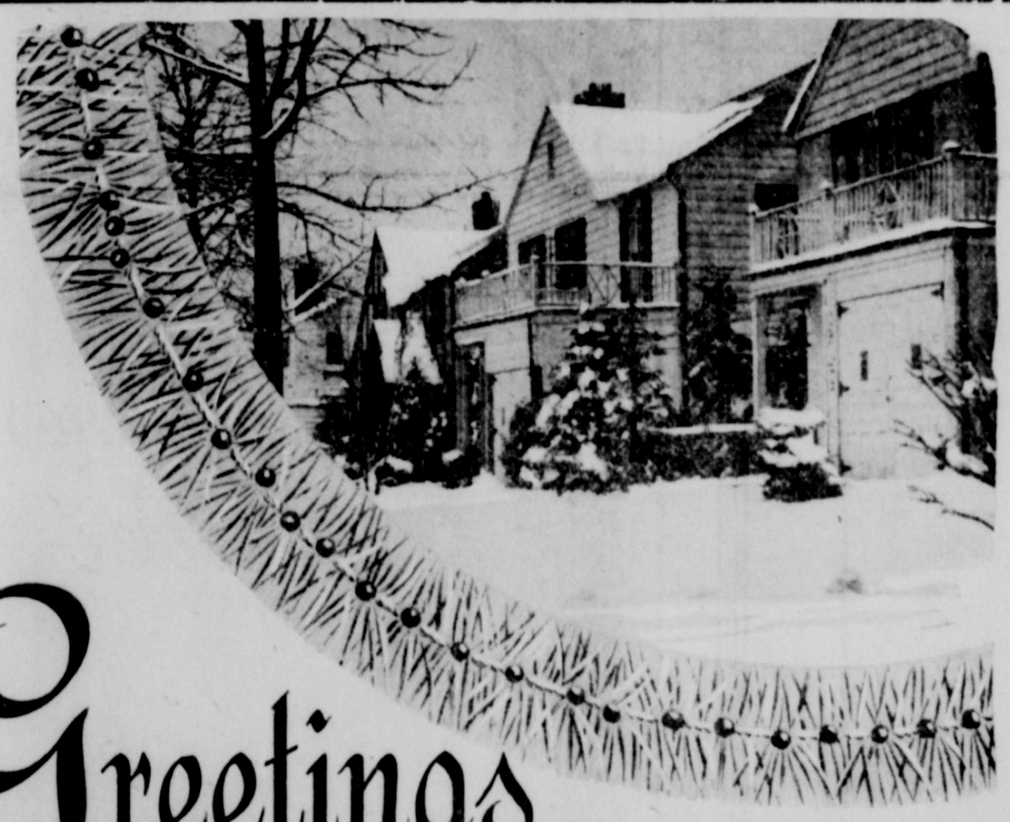

Greetings

Each joyful greeting we send carries with it good wishes to add to your Christmas cheer. Each lit candle and sparkling trimming on the tree reflects our fond thoughts of you throughout the year.

Phone
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Wesley Bryan--Lonnie Suitor

Champlin Service

MAY THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS CAST ITS BLESSINGS
UPON THE LAND, AND MAY THE PEACE AND
GOOD WILL TOWARD MAN, WHICH HE
SYMBOLIZED, REMAIN
FOREVER

To Each of Our Kind
Friends We Wish a Merry
Christmas and Happy New Year

O'Dell Implement Co.

Oliver Farm Equipment Dealer

Cartoon Characters Prepare Way For International Food Mission

By JANE EADS

WASHINGTON — Careless Charlie, a sort of international fall guy, and a superman named Jose, sort of sweet and funny, will soon try to help establish a basis for understanding the health and agricultural problems of the world.

They are characters in a series of 14 animated films which were made in South American countries under the sponsorship of the Institute in about 10 different countries. Four of these are now being reviewed by the Department of State.

Dr. Ryland R. Madison, a handsome young Californian with an AB and MA and Ph.D. degrees from Stanford University, who was assigned by the Army in January, 1943, to Nelson Rockefeller's Office of Inter-American affairs, shepherded production of the films.

A total of $300,000 was spent in making the films, which are to be used in schools, health centers and are also to be shown to the general public under the State Department.

One or two of the films earlier completed where shown at UN meetings in San Francisco. A number of nations became interested. The British Colonial Offices wanted a series of them. General Marshall requested their use in China. Representatives from the Philippines and India made requests for them.

Most of the films were financed cooperatively by the United States and the countries in which they were made. But as the program progressed the countries themselves have taken over more and more of the cost.

From our point of view, development and presentation of the films will tend to bring us better customers for our agricultural products at least. With higher standards of health, the peoples to the South would be better able to turn out the raw products they can in turn sell us.

Among the health films are those dealing with maternal and child nursing, cleanliness and proper dietary habits.

The agricultural films deal with such problems as soil conservation, milk production, the use of improved farming tools, home gardens and so on.

"If we want to spread our democratic form of government, we have to deal with people who enjoy health and the ability to be self-supporting," Dr. Madison says.

Home on the Road To the Air Age

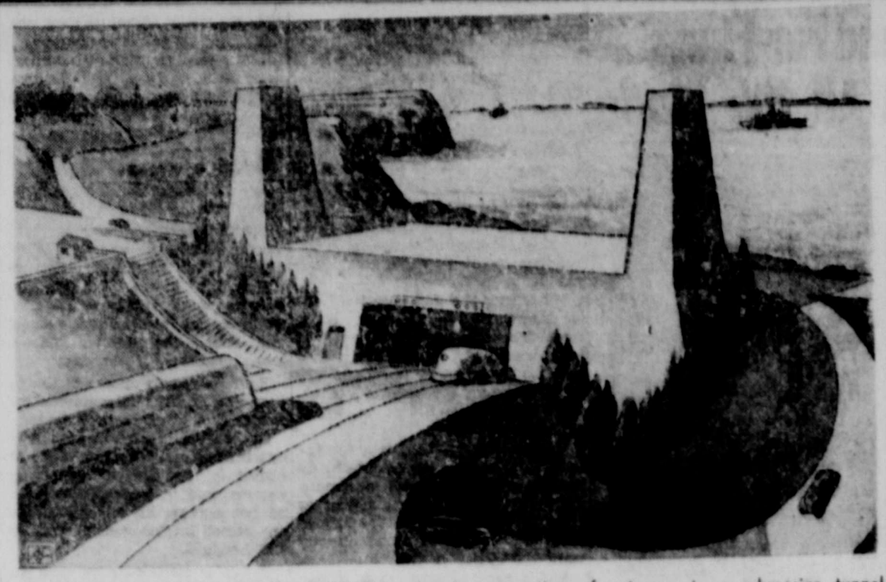
DEMING, N. M.—(AP)—Something new in homes—front door on the highway and back door on an air strip—is claimed by Mr. and Mrs. Postelle Coper.

A hangar is built right into the house. A driveway connects the front door with the highway while the back door opens on a half-mile air strip wrim which Cooper, banker and insurance executive, flies to his appointments.

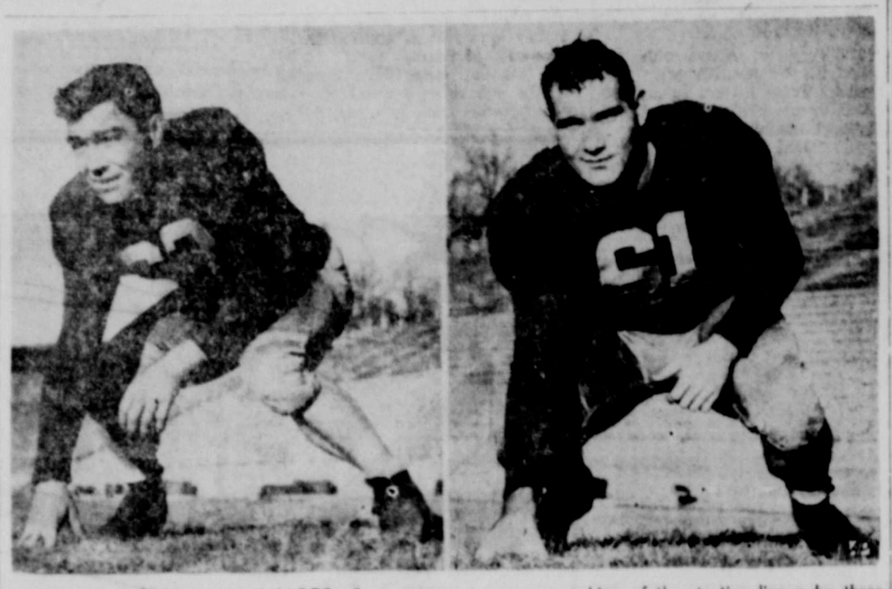
A nationwide 50-city price tabulation shows the service station price of gasoline to average 20.21 cents a gallon, including an average tax of 6.05 cents.

THE Season's Greetings

May the Holiday Season
Be Happy and Pleasant for you.
JINES BODY SHOP
Johnnie Jines



PROPOSED TRANS-CHANNEL TUNNELL—Artists conception of entrance to a submarine tunnel which would link England and France. Proponents of the tunnel point out that such a tunnel would induce tourists to visit England, since now many tourists by-pass the island because of the stormy crossing which must be made to the continent. Christopher Shawcross expects to bring up the proposal on the floor of Parliament.



ARKANSAS FRESHMAN GUARDS—Such expected feats as crashing of the starting lineup by these two freshman guards, Theron Roberts (right) and Bill Franklin (left), helped the Cinderella rise of the University of Arkansas Razorbacks to the Southwest conference co-championship and the Cotton Bowl. Roberts, a farm boy from near Texarkana, stands 5 feet 11 inches and weighs 207 pounds. Franklin, at 178 pounds, and standing only 5 feet 9, is one of the smallest linemen on the squad, but is scrappy and versatile. Both are war veterans. (AP) Photo.

A Pin is Important To a Thrifty Scot

EDINBURGH—(AP)—Storied native frugality almost got some Scots blown up at the Edinburgh disposal plant, where street rubbish is sorted in a machine to sift out salvageable items.

A hand grenade showed up in the hopper. An alert Scot snatched it out and restored a loosened safety pin.

Aye, and later, examination by the Army showed it was alive.

Some employees who have moved and who have lost their social security account number card seem to think it compulsory to secure a duplicate card from the office where they secured the original. The facts are that any field office of the Social Security Administration will be glad to accept an application for a duplicate and thereby save the applicant time and expense in wiring or writing back to the office where the original was issued. The nearest office of the Social Security Administration is at Amarillo, Texas.

Greeting Cards for every occasion at Stewart Printing Co.

ORCHIDS' only purpose is to be worn by pretty women, says Albert H. Gore, famous orchid raiser, as he pins one on his daughter-in-law. He recently sold a single orchid plant in an ordinary clay pot for $750. It takes five years for an orchid to mature, but he says it's worth it.

HERALD'S CLASSIFIED AD PHONE No. 6

Christmas Greerings

The Yuletide Season brings with it pleasant thoughts of friendships—tried, proven and cherished throughout the past. It makes us realize that friendly associations with our fellow men are invaluable in both public and private life and are above things material.

It is significant of the season, then, that we pause to say

May You Enjoy a Very Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year

CITY GROCERY & MARKET

Virgil Dodson Phone—433 Don Yates

Greetings of the Season

Christmas Cheer

All too often we take our friends for granted. We are aware of the fact that every day sees some evidence of the friendships of the people whom we strive to serve and too frequently we neglect acknowledging these kindnesses. But at Christmas, when we pause in the busy whirl of everyday routine things, we become conscious of our shortcomings, and wish to convey in this message our heartfelt thanks for the good things that have come our way.

To you, our friends, we wish a Happy Christmas and a New Year of Health and Prosperity.

W. B. LaMaster Realty Co

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Howard

Merry Christmas!

We hope that your Christmas Day will be filled with happiness . . . that the beauty of family ties and friendship will be richly realized, and that your own expressions of thoughtfulness and cheer will come back to you in full measure.

If we have contributed any least part to the joy of your day, we are happy.

May the New Year Bring You Good Health, Joy and Prosperity

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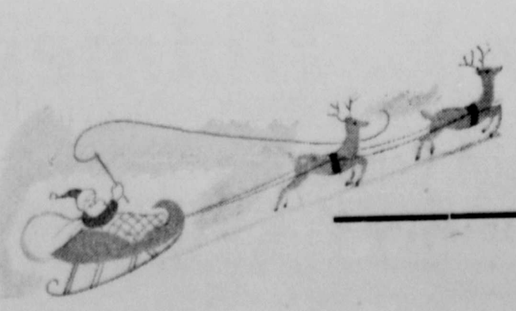

Top Ten 1946 Texas Stories Selected by AP News Editors

By JACK RUTLEDGE
Associated Press Staff

Texas swung sharply away from war in 1946, and the ten best stories of the year in the Lone Star state were purely personal—Texas murders, Texas disasters, strikes, human interest stories.

The only war story was the Rapido River investigation, and that was number nine on the list, drawing only 50 votes.

Briefly, these are the stories that editors of Associated Press member papers selected as the best of the year in Texas:

Number one was the Texarkana Phantom case. It received 171 votes. The Texarkana Phantom still uncaught, killed five persons and created such a reign of terror in Texarkana and that part of the state that even now it is recalled all too vividly.

The first murder was on March 29. At ominous three-week intervals, the Phantom struck. The pattern of his attacks was similar—the locale was about the same each time; a man and a woman were brutally murdered, the man beaten and the woman assaulted.

The murders launched the greatest manhunt in Texas history—a manhunt that is still going on.

Number two, drawing 162 votes, was the story of Texas politics, 1946. This can not be tied down as one story, of course. It was a running story that got off to a quick start early in the year when Dr. Homer P. Rainey said he was going to run for Governor. The incumbent, Gov. Coke Stevenson, decided not to run and the field was open.

The campaign that followed was one of the bitterest in Texas history. The number of men running for office was almost unprecedently large. Finally, in a race that necessitated a run-off, Beauford Jester of Corsicana was elected governor on a harmony platform.

The political story had numerous ramifications — other important state races, scores of minor races. And for the first time, returning veterans were elected to office in a flood of votes. Veterans will dominate the public life of Texas come 1947.

Number three, receiving 126 votes, was the Baker Hotel explosion in Dallas. Coming as it did in the middle of a series of Hotel disasters, it asserted national importance. Finally before ended, on June 21, a terrific explosion ripped through the Baker, killing six persons. The death toll finally mounted to ten.

Number four, the end of OPA and its reactions in Texas. The rise in the cost of living was the dominant theme of most. Packing sheds and slaughter houses, empty for weeks as owners withheld stock because of what they called disastrously low ceiling prices, flooded markets with stock to take advantage of the quickly soaring prices. This story drew 116 votes.

Number five: the San Antonio Flood, drawing 93 votes, occurred Sept. 28, continued for two days. Torrential rains flooded the San Antonio river, forcing it from its banks. Water swirled around the famed Alamo, inundated the world's largest army posts, was waist deep in hotels and public buildings. Many died. Nearby towns were threatened. The story was tragic, but colorful. It made page ones throughout the nation.

Number six: The Polio epidemic. It drew 91 votes from editors. The epidemic started early in the year, grew in intensity during the heat of summer months, waned in the fall and then flared anew in early winter, when few expected it to recur. The exact number of dead from Poliomyelitis probably will never be known. It was over 100, anyway. And over a thousand persons were stricken. San Antonio was virtually closed down by quarantines rigidly enforced. Houston was hard hit, particularly in the winter months. But the epidemic was not concentrated—nearly every community in Texas felt it.

Number seven: The wave of strikes. The strikes started early in the year, in January. Feb. was declared telephone strike in Ja... It was a... Then in Feb. Strike... Like a red thread through this batch of news that made 1946 Other strikes included a meat packers strike, a steel workers strike, a strike of Houston city employees, a transportation tie-up, the Port strikes at Houston, Galveston, Beaumont, Port Arthur, other coastal points; a taxicab strike at Houston; Cottonmill strike at Corsicana; and others. On one day, Sept. 19, six major strikes were in effect at once. Houston, probably, was the worst hit of all Texas cities. The story polled 90 votes.

Number eight: the Burch case. This was one of the most colorful of all the stories of 1946. It drew 87 votes. On Nov. 22, two Huntsville convicts killed a guard named Ben La Rue and escaped. A statewide manhunt followed. The following day, Sept. 23, the two convicts arrived in Rasebud, entered the home of T. A. Burch, 72 years old, demanded the keys to his car, roughly pushed Mrs. Burch to the floor. During the ensuing struggle, one convict was fatally wounded with his own gun, the second seriously wounded. Both were recaptured.

Number nine: the Rapido River probe. It drew 50 votes. Early in 1946, when the ... was white-hot, it would have been number one on anybody's list. Veterans of the 36th Division demanded that General Mark Clark be investigated for his part in the ... crossing of the Rapido River assault in Italy. The ... was brought to a climax when Gen. Clark's promotion was under study. The probe was taken to Washington, finally, and Texans lost. Gen. Clark was exonerated and promoted. (The initial demand for an investigation was made in Brownwood January 20.)

Number ten: the Lamesa mother aged 43, gave birth to her 25th child, two days later was cooking breakfast for her husband. This was purely a human interest story, but it received 43 votes—a clear indication that the news trend had turned sharply. This touching story ranked far ahead of the Dallas Terror killings, the mysterious murder of Mrs. N. O. Kreager of Sherman, the weather, the Lewisville bank robbery in which uniformed football players pursued and caught the robber, the Sweetwater train crash which killed four patients who had escaped from a State hospital for epileptics. The mother, incidentally, was Mrs. Ben Lopez. The date, Nov. 12.

Those were the top stories of the year now drawing to a close, selected by the top newspapermen in Texas.

Others may have touched you closer, and you may disagree with the verdict. But the stories mentioned here were the stories longest remembered, the stories that got the biggest headlines.

Remember them?

Greeting Cards for every occa... Herald want ads

DOG IS NURSE—A snowbird flew into the windshield of A. J. Purcell's automobile. Purcell took the injured bird to his Denver home. There the bird recovered and formed a strange friendship with Bumps, the family pup. Each time the partially paralyzed bird fell over, Bumps nosed him gently back on his feet. Here the snowbird takes nourishment while Bumps watches to see that his patient remains right side up.

GARLAND, TEX., 4-H BOY NATIONAL FIELD CROPS WINNER

One of the four national winners in the 1946 4-H Field Crops Contest, Harris Hill, 17, of Garland, Dallas county, Tex., receives his $200 Fowler McCormick scholarship award from John L. McCaffrey, president of International Harvester Company.

Harris was named 4-H southern extension section winner following the judging of the national field of 850 county champions in 44 states. The presentation of the scholarship, good at any accredited agricultural college, was made during the recent 25th annual 4-H Club Congress, when International Harvester, donor of the awards, brought all state winners in the Field Crops contest to Chicago for this silver anniversary assembly.

During his seven years in 4-H, Harris raised 41 acres of cotton, 30 of corn, 46 of wheat, 101 of clover, 17 of barley, 35 of oats, four of row cane, nearly eight of grain sorghum and two of sudan. Income from these was nearly $10,000 and with swine, beef and dairy returns, brought the total to $17,890.56. He employs the best known tillage methods, and much of his grain and all of the cotton and clover seed are being certified and sold for planting.

The assistant county agent says, "He has a brilliant mind and is valuable not only to the club but to his home and community." Harris is now a freshman at North Texas Agricultural College.

Pheasants 'Fall in' For Jersey Hunter

CALDWELL, N. J. (AP)—Either the pheasants in New Jersey are lining up in consecutive order to be shot or Jimmy Smith of Caldwell overcame amazing odds in a hunting coincidence recently.

Jimmy bagged a pheasant whose tag—placed there by the State Fish and Game Society—bore the number, 33536. Shortly afterward he dropped another bird with the tag 33537. And two days later, Smith shot bird No. 33538. And he brought the birds and the tags back to prove it.

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Have you ever thought of Christmas as a birthday party—a birthday party that goes all over the world at once? That is why Christmas is so joyous! Everybody is a participant in this big, grand, world-wide party, with Santa Claus the host!

And here we are, on the Eve of Christmas, sending you our very best wishes for a joyous time at this great Birthday Party.

The Orchid Shop
Mrs. F. A. Edwards
Naomi Edigor
Jean Blasingame Doris Cha...

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

We Wish You A Prosperous 1947

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Business and Industrial and Residential
Automobile and Truck Painting

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SMILING COACH—This happy fellow is Howard Cann, basketball coach at New York University. He says that he never had so many good players at one time in his 24 years of coaching. Four starters from his great team of 1945-46 are back, along with a host of former hoop greats who have returned from the wars.

We Wish You All the Very Best of Everything!

As you eagerly await the occasion of an enjoyable Season with your friends and family . . . we trust you will pause just long enough to accept these few words of Christmas cheer from the personnel of this firm. To have served you in the past has been a decided privilege, prompting us to express a Christmas Greeting that carries with it our best wishes for the coming year.

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A Christmas Tragedy

By Fred Kellogg

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

"MOMMY, mommy, Jimmy threw a big snowball at Santa Claus, and knocked him down in the snow. I think he's hurt 'cause he didn't get up again after he fell." five-year-old Janie breathlessly gasped as she ran to her mother in the little kitchen. "Just then Jimmy burst through the door after his twin sister, sobbing repentantly. "Oh, I didn't mean to hurt him. I was just playing. I'm going back to see how he is," and Jimmy was off like a rabbit running over the glistening snow.

He ran down Main street until he came to the corner; then Jimmy hid behind the alley fence and peeped around at the front of Woolworth's 5 and 10 cent store. No! most emphatically Santa was not there. Yes, there he was on the ground where he had fallen just after Jimmy struck him in the head with the big hard snowball. What would he do?

Santa Claus was dead. He had killed him. Would they arrest Jimmy; put him in prison; have a trial; and execute the murderer of good old Santa Claus? Just at that point, two men came out of the store, walked over to the prostrate figure, picked it up, and carefully carried it into the store. Jimmy was afraid to venture any nearer, for fear of being recognized as the murderer. He turned in consternation, crying and wringing his hands, and ran in the direction of home. But perhaps it would be better not to go home. They would be sure to look there first for him. He would run away. Out in the country where no one knew him.

Jimmy was dressed warm, and had had a good breakfast before—that terrible thing happened when he and Janie were playing in the street. So the little culprit turned on the Sixth avenue road and trudged along deep in thought. What would mommy say? Would she worry about him? Would she

Santa gave each kid a big sack of candy.

and Janie be lonesome without him? What if daddy came home and Jimmy was not there to meet him? He hated to cause them worry at home, but he could take no risks.

Two cars had passed him, paying no attention to a little lone boy. Jimmy must have walked far; he was tired and hungry. He stopped and looked back. There was another car coming. He hoped they would want him to ride. Jimmy stood still, and looked longingly at the man in the car. The man did stop!

"Hello sonny! What is your name, and where are you going?" asked the driver with a pleasant smile.

"My name is Jimmy Moran, and I don't know where I am going," sobbed the boy.

"Come, dear, and get in the seat with me," said a sweet-voiced lady, on the back seat, as she opened the door, stepped out, took Jimmy by the hand, and lifted him into the car. When she was seated beside him the car started.

"Now Jimmy, tell me all about it, and why you are out here all alone," the lady said, putting her arms around the little boy, and drawing him to her. The lady had pretty crinkly eyes and beautiful teeth, and smiled such a lovely smile; just like mommy.

"Well, first, you must promise not to tell. Will you promise?" Jimmy asked earnestly.

"Yes, I promise for both myself and Mr. Clausen," the lady assured him.

"If they find me I'll be arrested and have to die. I'm running away 'cause this morning when Janie and I were in front of Woolworth's store, Santa Claus was standing there; and I threw a big hard snowball and hit him in the head. He fell over, and we ran home. Janie told mommy, and I went back to see, and Santa was still on the ground. Then two men came out of the store and carried him in. Santa Claus is dead, and I killed him. That's why I'm running away. Don't you see?" and Jimmy looked at the lady with his big anxious blue eyes.

"Oh, you poor little darling," the lady said, cuddling Jimmy, and she really looked as though she wanted to laugh, but she didn't. The man on the front seat did laugh; yes he did, and the lady said: "Oh, Mr. Clausen, don't."

Then the man said: "Well, we are expecting Santa Claus out here tonight to a party in the hall. So you just come along with us, and if he comes then you didn't kill him. Somehow I don't think he is dead or we would have heard about it before this time."

"But mommy will worry about me. She and Janie, she's my twin sister, are alone, and I'm the man of the house, 'cause daddy went to war. Daddy writes to mommy and sends us money, and mommy said he might come home for Christmas," confided Jimmy.

"Well, here we are. I'll call your mommy and tell her where you are," the man said stopping the car in front of a store. They all got out.

Mr. Clausen, the driver, was the store keeper; the lady with the crinkly eyes was Miss Bennett, the school teacher, who was conducting the Christmas party at the hall that evening. They went into the store where Mrs. Clausen was waiting on customers. Mr. Clausen and Miss Bennett carried many boxes and packages into the hall. Then Mr. Clausen put the car away, and took Mrs. Clausen's place in the store; while she and Miss Bennett took Jimmy over to the house. Mrs. Clausen began to get dinner, and it smelled good to hungry little Jimmy.

Mr. Clausen called the police in the city, and told the story of Jimmy. The police got in touch with Mrs. Moran, and it was arranged that Jimmy was to stay for the Christmas party, and that Miss Bennett would bring him home after breakfast on the following day.

After dinner Jimmy became very sleepy, so the school teacher put him to bed, where he slept for three hours. They had supper, and then they all went to the hall for the Christmas party. There were hundreds of people there, mostly kids, Jimmy thought. While he was looking at all the grownups and the many more kids, **Jimmy saw Santa Claus.** Yes sir, there he was, the real Santa Claus, and Jimmy knew **there was only one.** So he was not dead after all, and, oh happy thought, Jimmy had not killed Santa Claus! Santa came in smiling and bowing, wearing his red suit all trimmed in white fur; and great white whiskers almost up to his twinkling eyes. Jimmy clapped his little hands and shouted: "Merry Christmas, Santa!"

Santa sang, whistled and danced for the children, and they sang for him, then he gave every kid a big sack of candy, a big apple, and lots of presents. Jimmy got a little woolly dog that could really bark, and he had a jolly time at the Christmas party. When the party broke up they took Jimmy to the house, and put him to bed. He slept late the next morning; but when he awoke his first glad thought was that Santa was alive. Mrs. Clausen gave him cream of wheat, with sugar and cream, a big bowl, and Jimmy ate it all, because he was very happy, and he was going home for Christmas eve. Then he had coffee and toast with a nice boiled egg. Jimmy's little stomach was full when he and Miss Bennett started back to the city.

When the car came to a full stop in front of the Moran's little home, there stood mommy and Janie on the porch; and with them DADDY—looking like a million dollars, so tall and soldierly in his swanky new uniform. They all ran to meet the car, and Jimmy was kissed and hugged until he felt as though he were all twisted.

Miss Bennett stayed for dinner with the Morans; and Mrs. Moran wrote a lovely note of thanks to the Clausens, wishing them a Merry Christmas and a very prosperous New Year.

When Miss Bennett drove away later the air was filled with "thanks" — "Merry Christmas!"—"Happy New Year!"

"Remember," the lady whispered in Jimmy's ear, after she had kissed him, "don't throw any snowballs at Santa Claus!"

"You bet I won't," promised the happy little Jimmy.

Oil exploration is on in earnest in the Georgia-Florida-Alabama area, with 40 million acres of land under lease.

Argentina ranks with Canada as one of the two most important surplus food producing areas in the world.

Deserving Cabbie Finally Manages For a New Hack

By JACK O'BRIAN

NEW YORK—Charlie Godfrey is a cabbie who prowls the circuit of celebrity traps, preferring the easier and more amiable job of toting movie, stage and radio notables to the hurly-burly of quick Broadway trips . . . Charlie is at least well up in his sixties but won't admit that he's past 70, as his fellow cabbies insist.

This venerable taxi-pilot has fulfilled his war-long ambition to get a new taxicab . . . He'd been driving an old, battered junk heap for several years simply because he is such a nice old guy that he never would complain of anything.

The younger cab jockeys would race for the best hacks when they reported for work each night, but Charlie didn't mind . . . He accepted the shabbiest mobile four-wheeled ashcan imaginable, his bitterest complaint being: "Gosh, I'd like one of those new hacks."

As usual, he was one of the last to get a crack at a shiny new cab, the younger and more argumentative of his fellow chauffeurs getting first chance . . . He went along without a murmur about his business, making friends and a little money . . . One night, when he drove me to a play-opening at the Royale Theater, I helped my young lady from Charlie's cab, paid the fare and tip, and slammed the door shut.

Please imagine the howl which went up from the first nighters and celebrity-gawkers when the door, on slamming shut, fell right off the side of Charlie's scrap-pile, taking with it the rear fender and part of the tack bumper . . . Charlie patiently got out, loaded the old scrap into the back seat, said "Sorry, Mr. O'Brien, it wasn't your fault," and drove away.

Yesterday he had his new cab. It kept him whistling, his customers are almost as pleased as the old boy, and with Christmas coming on, Charlie is full of the finest holiday spirit.

Will Attend Swim Meet

ATLANTA, Ga. (AP)—Coach Fred Lanque of Georgia Tech will attend the national convention of interscholastic and inter-collegiate swimming coaches, Dec. 21-Jan. 4 at Fort Lauderdale, Fla., along with a few of his top performers who will give swimming and diving exhibitions. The meeting will be climaxed by a swimming meet between the east and west.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Daley and Carol Ann are spending the Christmas and New Years holidays with Mrs. Daley's mother at Miami, Oklahoma.

IDENTICAL NAMES, WOUNDS, JOBS, CARS

Veterans Administration Photo.

Judy M. Hernandez (left) and Eugene C. Hernandez are not relatives, but their war and post-war lives run a remarkable parallel. Both enlisted in Army from Texas, each lost a leg in ETO, both were hospitalized at Brigham City, Utah, both married Ogden girls while recuperating, both were discharged late last year, both work as forklift operators at Clearfield naval supply depot and both recently obtained identical new cars from the Veterans Administration-administered program.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank those who so kindly gave of their help and sympathy during the death and burial of our father and grandfather, Fred Clark. We say thank you for the flowers and food and for all who helped in any way.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Noe and family, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Brannon, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Morris. 52-1t-p

Pro Goes to College

DETROIT (AP)—Milt Schoon, six foot, ten inch center of the Detroit Falcons in the Basketball Association of America, was able to play only on week-ends during the early part of the campaign, because he still was attending Valparaiso University.

Office Furniture at Herald Office!

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Putman and Jane left Sunday for Rankin, Texas to visit her mother, Mrs. Zack Monroe and other relatives over the Christmas holidays.

Bananas grow "upside down" they point skyward.

Christmas Greetings

We're thinking about all our friends as the season's spirit fills the air. We want to extend our best wishes for the most wonderful Christmas of all, to all!

Mrs. Pauline Slavin

County Treasurer

Merry Christmas to All

Our fondest wish is that we could see each of you at this time of the year to personally wish you a Merry Christmas. We'd also like to tell you how greatly we appreciate all the fine things you have done for us, the nice patronage that has been ours, the friendly associations and the goodwill of the people of this community.

During the Christmas season no doubt we'll get to see many of you, to express these sentiments to you personally. But to those of you with whom we do not have this opportunity, we send the best greetings for Christmas. We hope you will accept this as a personal message and that you will know we are thinking of you at Christmastime.

Jack Woodward, G. C. Smith, Harvey Wilson, Gode George, John Schrollenbarger, Joe Schollenbarger, Norman Lewis, Ray Halsey, Will Jennrich, Glenn Boren, Fred Suddeth, Homer Scott, and Paul George Jr.

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ussia's Man of Steel Has Had a Varied Life His Rise From an Exile to a World Leader

S JOSEPH VISSARINOVICH STALIN celebrated his 67th birthday on Dec. 21, he found his country of the most important in the world and his influence in Russia at its peak. Stalin (steel) has risen an obscure revolutionary to hold a commanding place in world affairs.

TURUKHAN he is pictured with other exiles, 1915.

WITH LENIN, Red's revered revolutionary leader, 1922.

LEADER in his own right of all the Soviet Russias.

RUSSIAN SUPREME COUNCIL meets to hear Stalin speak. Left to right are President Kalinin, Timoshenko, Stalin, Molotov, Dimitrov and Mekhlis. This is a prewar picture.

WITH GERMANY is with Ribbentrop, 1939.

WITH ROOSEVELT at Teheran in crucial conference.

AT SPORTS RALLY in July, 1946. One of latest photos.

Only 51,000 Vets Use Up 52-20 Rights

By Rowland Evans, Jr.

(AP) Newsfeatures

WASHINGTON—Only 51,000 veterans of World War II have drawn their full quota of the $20 a week readjustment allowance provided under the GI Bill of Rights.

Under the law, veterans who served ten or more months pay draw the allowance for the maximum 52 weeks. Veterans who served less than 10 months but more than 90 days may draw the allowance (sometimes called unemployment pay) a proprotionately shorter length of time.

The 51,000 who have already exhausted their R. A. benefits are only about four-tenths of one per cent of the more than 14,000,000 World War II veterans, almost all of whom are eligible. Of those who actually began drawing allowances—soon enough to have exhausted them—they are 2.2 per cent.

More May Follow

Actually few of the 14,000,000 could have exhausted their right to the allowance. The demobilization program was just getting underway a year ago and didn't reach its peak until mid-winter. Other veterans may now be well on the way toward using up their benefits.

To date the readjustment allowance program has cost taxpayers 1¾ billion dollars. That's almost half as much as the total cost of the World War I veterans' bonus. Last summer well over $100,000,000 every month was paid to unemployed veterans.

To be eligible a veteran must be out of work, looking for work and able and willing to take any "suitable" job offered him.

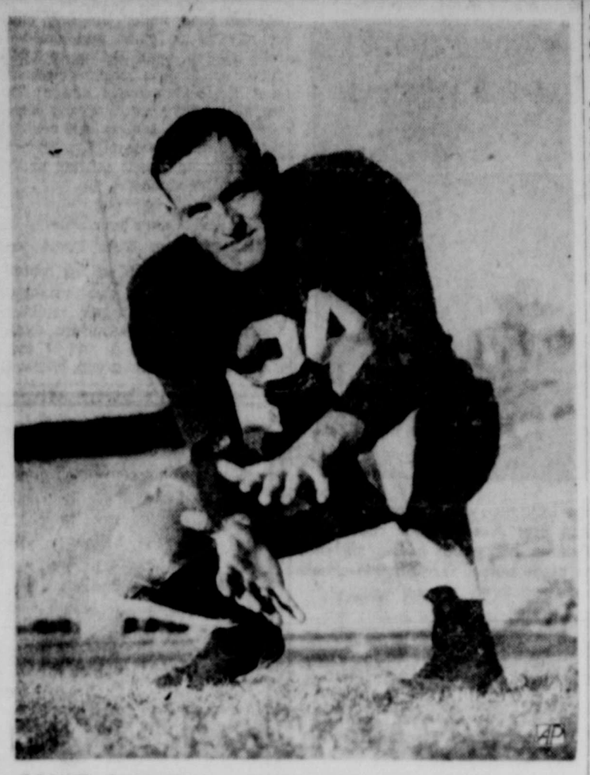
California has the lowest percentage of used-up benefits. Only slightly more than one out of every hundred veterans discharged a year ago have drawn the full-duration allowance.

Tennessee Was High

Tennessee has the highest state percentage. Almost five out of every hundred Tennesseans who were veterans a year ago have used up the works.

But the record shows that Tennessee is far behind Puerto Rico. More than 40 per cent of Puerto Rican veterans who have been out a year have used up their allowance. Low wage scales in Puerto Rico are given as one reason.

Largest single month's expenditure in the program occurred in April, when unemployed veterans received $160,071,000. During the first week in November, the number actually drawing the allowance fell below the million mark. Effects of the coal strike and consequent work stoppages may reverse the downward trend.



PORKER CAPTAIN Joyce Pipkin, 205-pound sophomore blocking back, is captain of the University of Arkansas' Cotton Bowl team. A former all-stater with Hot Springs high school and a war veteran, 'Pip' is a hustler—first on the field, last to leave. (AP) Photo.

There's a saboteur in your neighborhood — he sabotages human lives; he runs up your living costs; he works both day and night. Watch for him—he's the Accident Saboteur! How to escape? By practicing safe acts and eliminating unsafe conditions, says the Texas Safety Association. Safety is just common sense—no more, no less.

As we look at the speedometer, we don't see even half the truth! The distance on the dial between 35 and 45 miles per hour is exactly the same as the distance between 45 and 55. Yet we are plunging into danger twice as fast between 45 and 55 as we were between 35 and 45, says the Texas Safety Association. Remember—every time you step on the throttle, Death is slipping in beside you—hopefully waiting for his chance!

Vitamin E prevents rancidity in lard, butter, dried milk, and chocolate.

Skunks No Longer Secret Weapons

EDGEWOOD, Md. (AP) — The chemical warfare division's new protective cape to be worn in handling poison gases is skunk-proof. This was accidentally demonstrated at a meeting of the Chemical Corps board at the Army's Edgewood arsenal. Attention was distracted by frantic, glassy knocking on the pavement outside the board room. A skunk had caught its head in a mayonnaise jar. While some strong men reportedly turned pale, Joseph Shaeffer, advisor to the board, donned a gas mask, long rubberized gloves, and the voluminous cape. When the jar wouldn't come off, Shaeffer banged it against the sidewalk, smashing all but the neck, which remained like a collar. Enraged, the animal fled, showing its scorn the way only a skunk would, according the all bystanders save Shaeffer, who couldn't tell, thanks to mask and cape.

If you would like to have a new free booklet which explains Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance under the Social Security Act, write to the Social Security Administration, Amarillo, Texas. Ask for Booklet No. 35.

A Joyous CHRISTMAS

With bells ringing and carolers singing, our greetings go out to you for the merriest Christmas in your book of memories . . . .

Johnson Radio & Electric

The Season's best to our friends

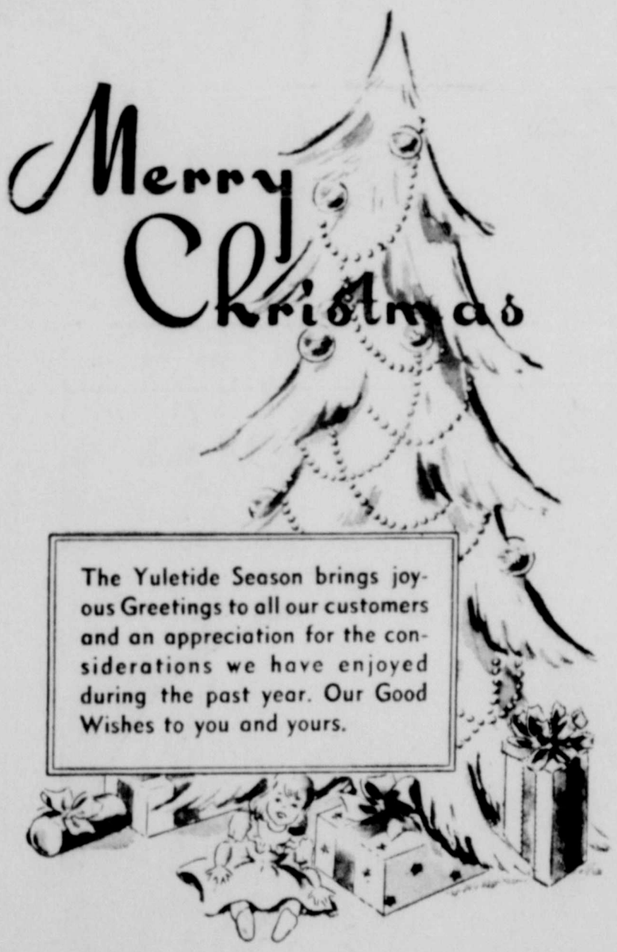
How Well We Remember Those Old Fashioned Christmas Dinners

father at one end of the table; mother at the other end, and the children in between, wondering if father would ever get done carving the turkey. And what mince pies!

Wouldn't you like a Christmas like that this year of 1946? We hope that your Christmas is as much like that as the changing times will permit, and that all the joys of the old days will abound.

Rigsby Laundry

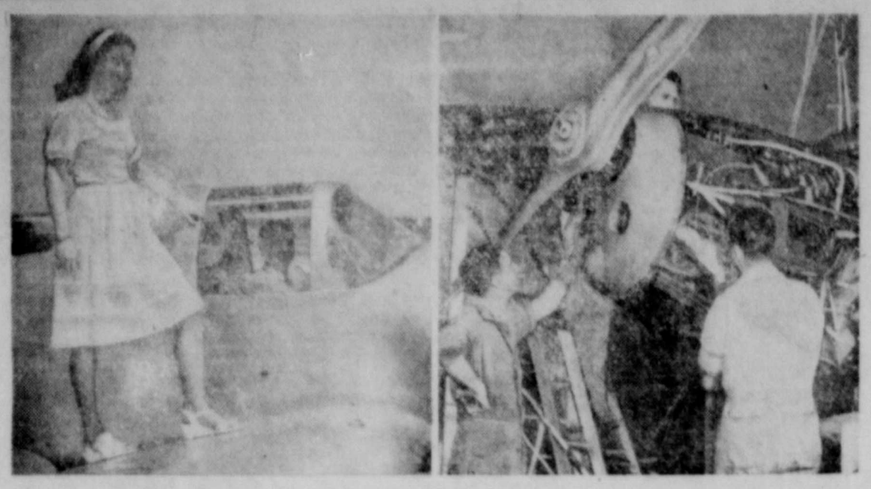
Merry Christmas



The Yuletide Season brings joyous Greetings to all our customers and an appreciation for the considerations we have enjoyed during the past year. Our Good Wishes to you and yours.

May Prosperity Be Yours in 1947

Ellis Grain Co.



PROTECT her life, and yours, by frequent mechanical checkups, urge insurance companies in a word of warning to private fliers. Some of the rules every good pilot observes are: A safe pilot checks the weather before the take-off. He knows and observes all civil air regulations. He avoids over-confidence and never takes anything for granted about his plane. He inspects the plane before take-off. He checks his fuel supply.

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DEMONSTRATION how not to act around an airplane is what this young [illegible] is doing. If he did not duck into the propeller, it will cut him to ribbons. Air [illegible]orts and insurance companies urge observance of safety rules around an airfield.

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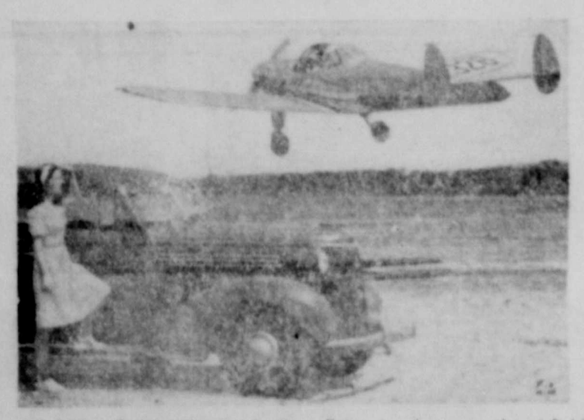

PILOTS call this "flat hatting" or flying too low over the airfield. Such flying tactics are not condoned by good pilots, as the danger factor far outweighs the spectacular aspects of such a manuever.

Farmers Raise Pepper Plants

By WILBUR MARTIN
Associated Press Staff

Even farmers get tired of peanuts. After all, you can buy a lot of goobers for a nickel.

Under a change of crop rotation plan, farmers at Sandusky have decided to smile down the peanut crop. They'll pep up pocketbooks with [illegible] and peppers. And for promised profit.

A. C. McGinnis of the Wilson Laboratories at Pittsburg, Texas, took a look at Sandusky soil and told the farmers to get wise. They'll [illegible] for [illegible]. How about a little pepper?

A guaranteed price of $35 per ton, or three ad one-half cents per pound, was promised on black eyed peas. Pimiento pepper plants are to be furnished by Wilson Laboratories for $1 per bushel. Mexican labor, furnishing its own living accomodations, would be brought by the company to help harvest.

McGinnis was promised 2,000 acres, one farmer near Whitesboro slanting his entire 300 acres.

The peas will be planted around April 20, or as soon as the danger of the last frost is over. The Calif. Black Eyed Susan was said the most suitable type for planting, averaging 1,000 to 2,000 pounds per acre. Pimiento pepper yield per acre an estimated 300 to 500 bushels.

Harvesting Time.

Who wants to keep 'em down on the farm? Not when you can get $37,000 for 22.68 acres of land. That's what lot 160, Kelley Pharr Subdivision, near Pharr, Texas brought E. H. and Martha Weerts. P. N. Barbee was the buyer.

Bell County has its first farm-to-market road under the new state setup. It's an eight and one-half mile stretch from Belton to Little River. Joe Brown, resident engineer, said the road carries one of the heaviest traffic loads of any country road in the county—400 vehicles daily on the average. The Rogers-to-Zabcikville project is next on the plan in Bell County.

Kenneth Edwards, formerly a county agent in West Texas, has been appointed chief of the American agricultural mission to Saudi Arabia. The mission will establish a department of agriculture. Quite a few former Texas A. and M. men will be in the initial group, Edwards said.

Rewards are still paid for rustlers. Frank James, sheriff at Ozona, has posted $500 for apprehension and conviction of guilty parties in every theft of livestock in Crockett county.

Texas mohair stocks are down to around 400,000 pounds, the Boston Commercial Bulletin reports. West Texans report the usual lull in the wool business.

One oil company is teaching the 4-H clubbers in its area how to repair, maintain and operate powered farm machinery.

Flagpole Sitter Quits In a Lightning Decision

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—(AP) — Louis Colgate, Jr., 31, can prove that lightning strikes twice in the same place.

Colgate has returned from Nashville, Tenn., where he says he undertook to sit atop a 90-foot flagpole for 40 days as an advertising stunt.

Everything went well for 14 days, but on the 15th day, a storm struck. So did a bolt of lightning. Colgate was just beginning to recover from the shock, when along came bolt No. 2.

Colgate resigned.

Mrs. Roosevelt Approves Statue

NEW YORK—(AP) — Now that Britain has settled its domestic controversy over the Roosevelt statue for London's Grosvenor Square, and will depict the late President in a standing position, the person closest to the late President will find no objection.

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, between busy sessions at the United Nations, said she considered sitting a "more natural position," but she added diplomatically "many remember him standing."

The important thing, she said, was that "the British should have the kind of statue they want."

Fire When Ready

ROCKFORD, Ill.—(AP)—Hot blaze which could have been re ed, quite properly, in the columns. The ladies were prep a dinner at the Mission Co ed them to turn in an alarm trucks responded swiftly. The men fixed the stove, sat down ate man-size slices of cake.

Of the 650,000 miles of rural roads and streets in the United States, 500,000 miles are [illegible] with asphalt.

A Very Merry Christmas!

The fragrance of the evergreen; the holly wreaths bidding welcome in the windows; the mirth and gladness in our hearts; the gay laughter and happy words that fill the air . . . these are the ingredients of a merry American Christmas. And this is the kind of a Christmas that we want everyone to enjoy. A very merry Christmas to one and all.

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