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THE COMING OF CHRISTMAS The ubiquitous Christmas songs have been crowd-
ing the airwaves for weeks. The tinsel across the streets ing the airwaves for weeks. The tinsel across the streets
has been up since Thanksgiving Day. Santa Claus has has been up since Thanksgiving Day. Santa Clachs has motorized sleigh to take his place in a store to greet wideeyed little girls and boys who stammer their Christmas hopes.

There are those who bemoan the commercialization of Christmas and yet the truth is that it is all an authentic part of something wonderful that happens every December.
Nothing ever really gets in the way, nothing ever
succeeds in hiding, the fact that what makes this a season succeeds in hiding, the fact that what makes this a season
of joy is that we approach the day when all over the world of joy is that we approach the day
people observe the birth of Jesus.
And there is the wonder. Imagine that nearly 20 centuries ago in a city of little importance except to the
family of David a baby was born-and the world still remembers
is still remembered because a mother gave of Bethlehem is still remembered because a mother gave birth to an in-
fant there. Imagine that such an unimportant the worlid, if it bad known of it, would have thought of it should touch the lives of peopie 2,000 years later, that the world should even date its calendars from that event.
Imagine that what happened that evening so many
years ago still brings about a change in people sill stir years ago still brings about a change in people, still stirs the whole world to thoughts of joy and dreams of the
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will through the wonder of that night in Bethlehem.

Santa Claus, the tinsel, the melodies, the trees, the rush and bustle. the shopping lists, the greeting cards, all are a part of it but the center of everything is in the re-
membrance of Joseph standing tall beside Mary who cradled in her arms a Baby who transformed the world.

THE WILL OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE "the American people" to its side when it seeks to further its aims. One of these matters concerns the Vietnam war, and it ought to be made clear before the American people
forget what they did. Earlier in the
Earlier in the war poll after poll showed that the people wanted to win the war and get out. When it be-
came apparent, however, that a handful of strategically placed no-victory politicians were going to have their way, and that a limited war with unlimited casualties would continue to be fought in the absence of agreement between the huge majority and the powerful minority, the people progressivly turned toward getting out rather han sacrifice their men to no purpose.
All the men who have devoted their lives to the study of military affairs and who were in positions of responsibility in the Government felt that the war could
be won in a matter of weeks or months at most, without be won in a matter of weeks or months at most, without
the use of the atomic bomb. Nor would Russia or Red China have joined in the fray to make it a great warthe phoney bugaboo that prevented General MacArthur from winning the Korean War (where the U.S.S.R. was involved up to the hilt, and Red Chinese soldiers were surrendering in droves).

Prsident Nixon followed the right course in entering Cambodia and in supporting the South Vietnamese in their effort to cut the Ho Chi Minh Trail. He undoubtedly saved many American lives. Now that he is trying to save the honor of the nation and prevent more
wars in the Far East by helping the South Vietnamese to wars in the Far East by helping the South Vietnamese to keep control of their country, many politicians are harass needed legislation. "The American people" should not be nragged into these moves, since it is obvious that a majority of the people support the President.

YES, THERE ARE WELFARE CHEATS
Ever try to tell a liberal that there are at least a fe people on the welfare rolls that shouldn't be, only to be virtually everyone on welfare is beyond hope?

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From 7:30 to 12 noon and
From 3 until 6 p. m. daily except Sundays We feel that we will be better serving our customers with the above store hours since many tell us that 5 o'clock closing makes it impossible for them to shop for next day's bakery goods. From our own viewpoint, the longer break at the noon hour will make it possible for us to live with the schedule and continue to serve your needs. We feel we owe an obligation to the community and we are adopting this new slate of hours in order that we might continue to serve you and to better ac commodate your shopping hours.

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