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MAIL DUST

By GLAS MEADOR



Prospective groom select his bride after her ability to make light and lye soap. Now he is tested by her dexterity in an opener.

at leaps into water too made, instinct assumes and the feline swims to when a man finds himself in predicament, he yells for help.

accomplish success less-visionary friends to convince them that things were impossible.

silently through the of the human heart, the Christmas envelops the warmth that finds its in a cold room. Children in music in their voices lightness of candle-light old eyes; life parades along the boulevards of and understanding.

gain and tears are chain- the tents where hope hang garlands on the friendship. Mothers sing merry through their perches while youngsters secret anticipations. Lights, excited travelers thickened tempo of life is the hours pass swiftly sweet at Christmas.

value of a Christmas concealed in the ex- before the wrappings are

Press Is Ready to Spin Cotton

Recent loan cotton is now being by the Producer's Company compress at Matador. It was announced by W. C. Crouch, manager, Matador.

of compressing of is nearing completion and work is expected to be move.

to growers of Mot- new compress is that recent cotton classer will be at the compress and will be issued there, saving delay experienced in

expecting Roy Cooper, cotton classer, here the next few days," Mr. declared, "which will be possible for us to issue immediately."

compress equipment is with a few adjustments work of compressing to start tomorrow. of government loan already been placed on Tuesday, awaiting com-

BASKETBALL TEAM BEATS FLOMOT

basketball team that is to be the greatest in the Matador High School second victory of the season, when Flomot was 23-14. The team previously defeated Patton 23-14.

Gray is coach of the which includes nine sophomores who have played undefeated for two other players is captain. Muse, a senior student. includes Misses Ruby Katherine Martin, Virginia, Grace LaVerne Tillinghast, Cartwright, Barbara, Gladys Cook, Paula and Dorothy Watson.

HOSPITAL operation, who lives near was released from the hospital Tuesday after from an operation performed December 13.

near Pearl Harbor

New Building To Be Dedicated In May

Dedication services for the First Baptist Church, now nearing completion, have been set for May, when the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the Matador church will be observed.

When completed, the edifice will represent an actual investment of approximately \$18,000. Due to donated labor and reduced prices on materials, however, value of the building will be about \$30,000.

Ground-breaking ceremonies were held on March 2, 1938, and since that time progress has been

made under direction of R. E. Campbell, chairman of the building committee, and two pastors, Rev. H. M. Weldon, now of Albany, and Rev. W. M. Joslin.

The completion program will involve an expenditure of \$4,000, with more than half of that amount contributed. The two-story building, which also contains a large basement, is being covered with a rock base and cream-colored face tile. A folding-door partition is also being placed in the parlor, in order that it may be used for two classrooms.

Teachers Leave For Christmas Holidays

Several members of the Matador school faculty are spending the Christmas holidays with relatives in other cities.

Miss Zona Beth Faulkner, home economics teacher is visiting her parents at Childress, Miss Clarice Whitten, English teacher, with her parents in Amarillo; and Vernon Doss, grade school principal, with his family, left Sunday morning for DeLeon and Brownwood, to visit relatives.

Miss Thessia Godfrey, who left Friday for her home in Paducah, was joined there Monday by Miss Amy Glenn, and the two continued to Mineral Wells, Texas, where they will spend the holidays.

Coach Don T. Martin and Mrs. Martin left Monday for Stamford, where they will visit his parents.

PIONEER DICKENS COUPLE OBSERVES 50th ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hyatt, fourth couple married in Dickens County, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday at their home in Spur. Mrs. D. C. Keith, Mrs. Charles Robert Keith and Miss Mary Keith, relatives of Mrs. Hyatt, and Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Bird attended the celebration.

Seventy-two guests, including old-time cowhands of the Spur and Matador ranches, registered and brought gifts to the couple.

W. L. (Bill) Hyatt married the former Betty Garner at the Stegal School, where now stands the Afton Gin, on December 23, 1891. Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Keith, first couple married in Motley County, were also wed on that date, and there would have been a double celebration had Mr. Keith lived. Mrs. Keith came to Matley fifty years ago, on November 23, 1891.

RUSHING AGAIN HEADS COMMITTEE

W. I. Rushing was re-elected chairman of the county ACA committee in an election held Saturday at the courthouse by Motley County cotton farmers. Also re-elected were F. C. Bourland of Whiteflat, vice-president, and Willie Meyer of Flomot, regular committeeman.

Alternate committeemen are Herman Havis of Roaring Springs and T. B. Simpson of Northfield.

Twelve Negroes Are Arrested Saturday

Twelve Negroes were arrested Saturday night when Sheriff H. H. (Cy) Courtney and Deputies John Stotts and Ward Rattan broke up a gambling game in a servants' house in south Matador.

All the Negroes have paid fines of \$13, except two, who are in the county jail.

LULA STAPLETON IS INITIATED RECENTLY

Miss Lula Stapleton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Stapleton of Flomot, was recently initiated into the Gamma Phi sorority at WTSTC, Canyon. Miss Stapleton pledged the organization during the fall.

Service Men Are Here For Holidays

Altho the majority of local youths in the government's armed forces did not receive holiday leaves, several boys in uniform have been seen on the streets of Matador this week.

Corp. Wilson Bourland of the Quartermaster Company, Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, arrived Saturday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Bourland.

Also from Fort Sam Houston is Pvt. Raymond Kingery, who is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Kingery.

James Turner, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Turner, is on holiday leave from the U. S. Naval Training Station in San Diego, Calif. A bugler when aboard ship, the second-class seaman arrived Tuesday and will return to California Saturday.

Rep. Paul Eubank Volunteers For Reserve Service

Representative Paul Eubank arrived here Sunday night from Austin, and visited with friends until Wednesday, when he continued to Lubbock for the Christmas holidays.

While here Rep. Eubank advised friends that he had volunteered and been accepted for service as aviation cadet in the naval reserve, and expected to be called about the middle of January.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD PASTOR TO MOVE

Rev. C. H. Browning is resigning as pastor of the Assembly of God Church here and will move to Spur on January 1, where he has accepted an offer as pastor from the Spur church.

Rev. Browning became pastor here in March 1940. His successor has not yet been named.

RAIN GAGE IS INSTALLED HERE

An official rain gage was recently installed by the U. S. Government at the city well. Moisture is recorded in ink on a paper dial as the water in a bucket above causes pressure on a set of scales.

The paper dial is changed twice each week and sent to the Weather Bureau in Washington, according to Lucius Lancaster, manager of the city well.

A solution in the bucket immediately melts the snow and ice in order that the moisture might be recorded.

Phillip Graves Is Reported Injured In Philippines

Word has been received here of the injury of Phillip Graves, who is in active service in the Philippine Islands. Mr. Graves, brother of Mrs. W. W. Clements, is a former resident here and enlisted about a year ago.

Details of the injury were not divulged. It was stated, however, in a communication received by his brother, W. D. Graves of Deming, N. M., that Mr. Graves was wounded on December 14, exactly a week after the outbreak of war.

Blow-Out Causes Wreck Saturday

Harold Freeman, who is employed in U. S. defense work in Dallas, suffered numerous bruises when the coupe he was driving overturned twice after a front tire blew out.

Freeman was en route to Roaring Springs for a visit. He returned to Dallas Sunday. Damage to the automobile, altho unestimated, was considerable.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Rochelle of Salinas, California, are visiting here with friends, and at Paducah and Flomot with relatives. Mrs. Rochelle will be remembered as the former Willie Sue George.

Wrecked Auto Is Brought Here

The wrecked automobile of C. D. Bird was brought here Saturday from Stamford for repairs. Mr. Bird escaped serious injury Sunday, Dec. 14, when his machine left the highway near Stamford, fell over a ten-foot embankment, and turned over twice, finally coming to a stop 63 yards away.

Mr. Bird, who was en route to Mineral Wells on a business trip, apparently went to sleep at the wheel and was knocked unconscious by the impact. Near-by farm residents called an ambulance, and it was later determined that the driver suffered no serious injury.

Estimated damage to the automobile was \$300.

Food Stamps Aid Health Defense

COLLEGE STATION—Programs such as the food stamp plan and community school lunch projects are helping build America's health defense by providing nourishing foods to needy families and millions of undernourished school children, according to L. J. Capleman, Dallas, regional director of the Surplus Marketing Administration. He says Texas families spent approximately \$1,245,240 in blue and orange food stamps during November. More was spent for potatoes and other fresh vegetables than for any other surplus food. The amount was \$146,924.25.

4-H Show To Be Held In April

Annual 4-H Club show will be held here the first or second Saturday in April, it was decided at a meeting of the organization Dec. 15. Prize-winning calves will be taken to Fort Worth next spring instead of to Plainview as has been done in the past.

The youths also voted to make an inspection tour of Motley County calves during the Christmas holidays.

Methodist Group To Hold Service

A watch night service will be held December 31 by members of the Methodist Youth Fellowship at the church basement.

The program will begin at 8 p. m., and games and other entertainment have been planned. Everyone is invited to attend.

The young people's group gave a special Christmas program at Sunday School this week. The service, led by Mack Jacobs, included the "Story of Song," by Billy Watson; Scripture, J. B. Cooper; solo, "Silent Night," Dorothy Watson; "Story of Song," ("O Come All Ye Faithful"); a special quartet number, and Christmas carols.

LOCAL ITEMS

Miss Sue Kathryn Glenn of Colorado Springs, is spending the Christmas holidays here with her mother, Mrs. C. L. Glenn.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Jordan and daughters of San Antonio, former Matador residents, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ford.

Miss Kitty Jeanette Jinkins of El Paso, Texas is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Jinkins during Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Wright of Mangum, Oklahoma, are visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Lambert, and her aunt, Mrs. Henry Ford, and Mr. Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. David Guest and son Jimmy Lavond will spend Christmas holidays with relatives at Detroit, Texas.

HOLIDAY VISITORS

Holiday visitors here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Russell are their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bradshaw and son Jack Calvin, of Amarillo, a son, A. G. Russell of Houston, and a daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Dub Drace of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Drace accompanied his mother, Mrs. W. J. Drace, to Erick, Oklahoma, where she is spending Christmas with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Moore. Mr. and Mrs. Drace returned here Wednesday.

Bank Business Hits Peak In Month Of December

County Quota Set For Red Cross Emergency Drive

Goal for Motley County in the Red Cross war fund drive has been set at \$900, according to R. E. Campbell, county chairman. Active solicitation is expected to begin early next week, after chairmen have been appointed.

The national emergency drive to raise \$50,000,000 officially opened December 12, when President Roosevelt issued a proclamation and appealed to the American people to give whole-hearted support to the Red Cross.

Penny-a-Plane Club Launched In Marshall

MARSHALL, Texas, Dec. 20.—A Penny a Plane Club has exploded in Marshall.

Formation of the club was effected on the streets by one man who in four hours signed up 200 persons out of 203 contacted, as members. (And it was left these three didn't know him personally, and thought the deal a war racket.) The club originated in the Argentine.

Members are simply asked to drop a penny in boxes that will be provided in public places for each enemy plane officially announced as shot down by United States forces. Boxes will go up in public places here as soon as possible.

The club was given enthusiastic support when Hardy Adams went the rounds during the week-end to sponsor it.

County Judge Paul Warren told Adams he would make the collections official with the appointment of a committee to work as an affiliate of the State Defense Board, Adams said.

PARENTS STILL AWAITING NEWS FROM BOYS IN PACIFIC BATTLE AREAS

Between the lines of censored letters from boys in Uncle Sam's far-flung armed forces, parents must guess at what life is really like in a sultry Philippine jungle or at the foot of a snow-capped Alaskan peak.

Then there are some parents still waiting since that fateful December 7, parents eagerly watching mails and casualty lists for news to relieve their anxiety.

The last letter received by Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Alsop from their son, Pvt. Audie Alsop, was written from Pearl Harbor on December 3, and arrived here December 13, almost a week after the war began.

Private Alsop enlisted in the marine corps in June, 1940, was first sent to San Diego, and then to the Hawaiian Islands. Last July

Deposits Record Show \$940,786.96

Matador's First State Bank has attained the greatest volume of business in its entire history during the present month of December, it was disclosed yesterday by Elmer Stearns, Vice-President and Cashier. At the close of business on December 8th, the institution's resources totaled \$1,067,983.05, while individual deposits for that day reached an all-time high of \$940,786.96.

Mr. Stearns said that the bank did a greater volume of business in the fall of 1937, when deposits approached this year's high, but that the low price of cotton that season was reflected in the lower total clearance.

Farmers And Stockmen Prosper

While the price of cattle has been good for the past four years, this is the first time in over ten years that the cotton farmer has shown an outstanding profit. With both cotton and cattle a good price the country has attained a degree of prosperity reminiscent of the pre-depression years which has been reflected in almost all lines of business.

Declaration of war on December 8th has caused but small reaction in holiday buying, according to the general opinion of businessmen. Almost without exception, all places of business were crowded to capacity with holiday crowds during the last three days. Some stores in Matador report the largest sales in history, while others have sold out of many items.

Deposits Are Criteria

Disclosure of the record of bank deposits here provide a dependable criterion by which the prosperity of the county may be measured. The county has an established reputation for its financial stability, which is now augmented by increased deposits. Motley county literally has "Money in the bank and cattle on the range."

10 the youth was injured in a motorcycle accident, which prevented his returning home for a visit during the summer on the USS Chicago. He remained in a hospital for a month and since August had been stationed at Pearl Harbor. Mr. and Mrs. Alsop do not know whether the youth had been again placed on a ship before the outbreak of hostilities.

In Philippines A Year

Prior to December 7, ten days were required for an air-mail letter to travel from Manila to Matador, according to Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Reinhardt, whose son, Pvt. Malcolm T. Reinhardt, Jr., is stationed in the Philippines.

The youth is drum major of the 59th band at Fort Mills, near (See PARENTS STILL page 8)

Account Of Pearl Harbor Bombing Is Given By Roaring Springs Youth

The following letter is a first-hand account of the Japanese raid on Pearl Harbor, and was written while smoke boiled from ships and buildings set afire by enemy bombs. It was sent from Honolulu by Wesley Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Green, formerly of Roaring Springs and now of Los Angeles, California.

The youth left Roaring Springs in July, and is employed in civilian work in Hawaii.

Dear Folks,
This is Sunday morning at 10 a. m. I had just got out of bed this morning when a fellow who works with me at Pearl Harbor knocked on the door and said an air raid was on at the harbor.

This fellow had just been taking a flying lesson and was up in a plane when the raid began. We have no details at all except that from here we can see huge quantities of black smoke boiling up from Pearl Harbor, about 12 miles from here.

We could hear the bombs and see the anti-aircraft fires. It lasted about two hours, assuming it is over now. I just took a look and could see no more anti-aircraft fire.

Apparently no bombs were dropped on Honolulu. I am of the opinion that the enemy sneaked an aircraft carrier, with all lights out, in close last night—what I mean by close is a few hundred miles.

By dark yesterday, the enemy could have been far enough away to be out of our patrol and then steamed at full speed all night and launched the planes at dawn.

It apparently was a heavy raid with many casualties. It took our defense by surprise.

Have you folks received the Christmas package OK? Hope the coconuts is good. I picked up six coconuts in the street yesterday and opened one last night. Will write again soon, but please don't worry if you can keep it.
Wesley



(Greetings To All The Boys In Service)

Christmas Is Faith ---

Faith in friends, liberty and justice . . . it is belief in Santa Claus . . . the laughter of children . . . the song in our hearts that echo the fellowship of mankind . . . it is the symbol of all the goodness in the world . . .

It is that magic season when we desire most to wish our friends greater happiness . . . to express our gratitude for their favors . . . when we rededicate our pledge of greater service to our friends and customers, to our country and our flag



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Hints Are Given For Soap-Making

COLLEGE STATION—With the fats and oil situation giving this country considerable worry, rural families with cooking fats available can save by making home-made soap.

Here are some tips from M. K. Thornton, agricultural chemist for the A. and M. College Extension Service. He says enameled or granite ware is suitable for small batches of soap, but for larger batches an iron kettle is recommended. A large granite or wooden spoon is best for stirring. The four ingredients of soap are lye, water, fat and perfume. Lye should be pure and uniform, and

if possible soft water should be used since it will improve the quality of soap.

Fat used should be clean and light-colored. Mr. Thornton says, and it should be clarified as it accumulates. Clean tin cans, well covered, are best for storing the fat until a sufficient amount has been collected for soap making. Both fats and oils must be washed free from salt. Rancid greases may be purified by boiling with a solution of one part of vinegar and five parts of water.

Scents such as oil of citronella, bergamot, oil of lavender, geranium or sassafras may be added to perfume the soap. This will help destroy the odor of the fat.

Regardless of what recipe is used, some general precautions should be taken, the extension chemist says. He warns that excess lye forms a hard, crumble soap, while greasy soap indicates lack of lye.



May All Happiness Be Yours

We extend our most sincere Christmas wishes . . . tendering appreciation for the friendships which make service a pleasure and source of deep satisfaction

Traweek Hospital

A. C. Traweek, M. D. Albert Traweek, Jr., M. D.

Tree Produces Apple Choices In Varieties

BROCTON, N. Y.—Claude Lewis' apple tree is really 12 trees wrapped in one.

A dozen varieties of the fruit grow from the branches of the wonder tree, thriving under the grafting operations of its 73-year-old owner, a Brocton barber.

Lewis, once employed in a tree nursery, began experimenting with the tree in 1900. As a result, it now begins bearing early in summer with Sweet Bough and Red Astrachans and winds up late in the fall with Cortlands and Jonathans.

Forty years ago a gnarled, half-dying shrub, the tree now has become one of the most virile on the grounds and bears such a bountiful supply that Lewis and his neighbors are well provided with the fruit.

Governor Pens His Greetings

AUSTIN, Dec. 20—A handwritten Christmas message to the people of Texas was issued today by Gov. Coke R. Stevenson.

No governor in recent years has presented such a message in his own handwriting. Other gubernatorial messages have been typewritten.

Governor Stevenson's Christmas message:

"People of Texas: This hour is too solemn for ordinary Christmas greetings.

"Once again our nation is plunged into cruel war. Trials and tribulations stare us in the face. But we are a brave people. Christian endeavor fortifies us. We will win the victory by the forces within us.

"Let us, therefore, lift our eyes to the Star of Bethlehem, eternal symbol of love and peace, and play earnestly for strength and wisdom; for the triumph of right and justice and for the relief of distressed people in every land.

On earth peace, good will toward men.

"Sincerely yours, COKE R. STEVENSON."

Giant Telescope Is Nearly Ready

PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 20.—Dr. Max Mason, Palomar Observatory council chairman, says that barring unforeseen delays, the 200-inch mirror will be ready for installation within a year—likely within six months.

Although 4½ tons of glass was removed to make the mirror surface spherical, taking off only seven more pounds converted it into a paraboloid.

"It is now a fairly good paraboloid," said Dr. Mason, "but not as nearly perfect as we must have it. The surface must be made true to one or two millionths of an inch. The most painstaking work is still ahead."

Grinding and shaping of the 20-ton glass began in 1936 at the California Institute of Technology optical shop. From the start the glass has proved the biggest problem of the \$6,000,000 project.

Sag Produced Trouble

The greatest difficulty was in overcoming gravitational sag. When it was moved about the mirror would sag out of shape. Finally a system of 36 supporting levers, each of which counter-balances the weight of a hexagonal portion of the disk, was devised.

"This supporting system must operate so perfectly," explained Dr. Mason, "that no bending of the reflecting surface beyond one or two millionths of an inch will occur as the telescope moves." Originally it was planned that when the 200-inch glass surface was made spherical, it would be used in shaping a 120-inch flat mirror. Light would be reflected from one to the other and back. When the 120 was made absolutely flat, it was to be used to shape the 200-inch surface into a paraboloid.

But Dr. John A. Anderson, council executive officer, and Dr. Frank E. Ross worked out a plan by

which a 10-inch mirror is being used in place of the 120-inch. Months of time needed for shaping the 120-inch were saved.

Dome Is Insulated

"The six most needed of the eight or 10 small auxiliary mirrors to be used with the 200-inch have been completed," said Dr. Mason.

"The dome on Mount Palomar has been insulated so that there is a variation of but 5 degrees temperature at the top between day and night, and but 1 degree on the working floor. But for this, time would have to be allowed for the mirror to cool to an even temperature at night before it could be used in observations.

"Everything on the mountain is practically ready for installation of the 200-inch glass.

"Only the fact that defense work is taking more and more of our technicians may cause a general delay in placing the big telescope in use."

Dry Christmas Tree Serious Fire Hazard

AUSTIN, Dec. 20.—A growing evergreen tree is hard to ignite but when it's dried—look out!

So warned State Fire Insurance Commissioner Marvin Hall in issuing a long list of recommendations on how to protect against fire hazards incident to Christmas time.

"An evergreen tree, while relatively hard to ignite when it is growing from moist ground becomes a serious fire hazard in the home," Hall said. "All Christmas trees should be safeguarded."

He suggested that only a fresh tree be purchased, that branches be sprinkled occasionally and that it be left out-of-doors until needed. Another way to keep it fresh longer is to saw it diagonally an inch or more above the end and stand it in water, keeping the water level above the cut.

Roaring Springs NEWS

By Mrs. J. D. Mitchell

Paul Nichols and Emmett Jackson arrived home Sunday after spending several months in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stephens and Patricia left Monday for a holiday visit with their parents in the Rio Grande valley. They will also visit relatives in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Daniels and family left Sunday for a weeks visit with relatives in Mount Pleasant.

Joyce Thacker, Johnnie June Mitchell and Caldwell Smith made a trip to Austin Saturday. They were accompanied home by Juanita Thacker, Mary and Marilyn Hughes.

Nina Julia Smith was shopping in Spur Wednesday.

J. C. Brownlow and A. C. Cross made a business trip to Arkansas during the week.

Mrs. Rena Bowen and Mrs. Ruth York were visitors in Lubbock Wednesday.

Mrs. Carrie Lou Bishop and her children left Monday to spend their Christmas holidays in Sudan.

They were accompanied to Lubbock by Marion Alice Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Condor of Albuquerque, N. M. spent the week-end visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Parsons. They left Monday for McKinney where they will spend Christmas.

Miss Gladys Peck, student in West Texas State College, Canyon and Miss Esther Peck, music teacher in Abilene, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Peck. Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Peck and daughter of Levelland are also visiting here.

Elwanda Godfrey, Evelyn Taylor, Morris and Charles Britton, Texas Tech students, Lubbock, are spending the week visiting in their homes here.

Jack Nichols, Marjory Ruth Campbell and James Harmon, stu-

dents in West Texas State Canyon, are spending the Christmas holidays here with their parents.

Miss J. C. Brownlow, Durant and Altus, Oklahoma, returned home last week.

LETTERS to Santa

Dear Santa, I am a little boy seven years old. Please bring me a gun, colored sand set, shooting set, and some soldiers (I collect soldiers) also a box of chocolates, nuts, fruits, and fire works.

Your little friend, Ronald Hobbs, P.S.—Please don't forget other little children.

Whitefish, December

Dear Santa, I haven't seen you in a long time. Please bring me a red table and chair, a set of black boots like my Daddy's, candy, nuts, and fruit. I have a good little girl.

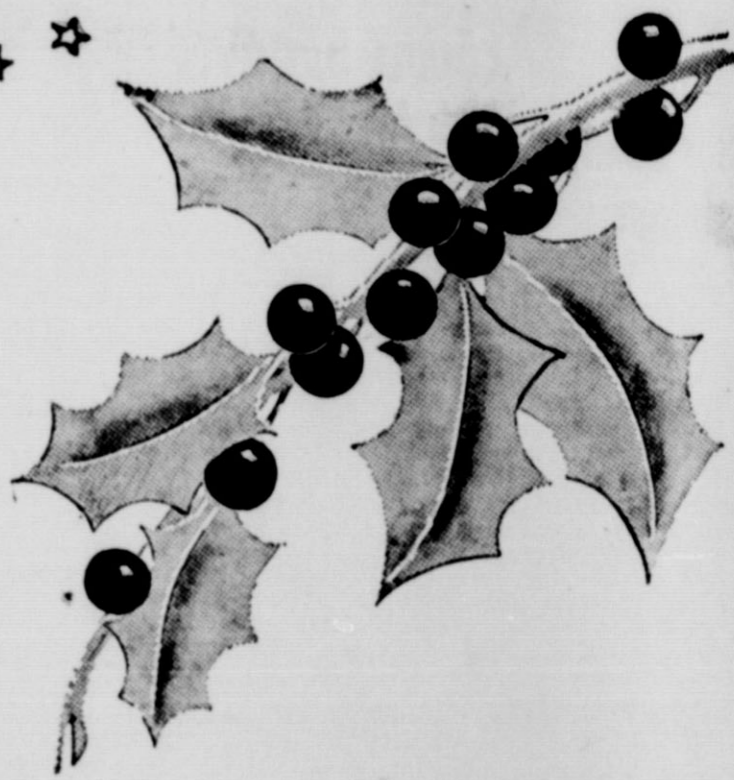
Love, Joanne D.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS
The white part of orange rinds is usually bitter when grating use only the yellow part.

Wash your dish towels and dry them in the sun to keep them white and free from odor.

Try dipping the knife in water before cutting pies.

Merry Christmas



During the year now closing we have greatly enjoyed the privilege of serving you. Without your loyalty and the patronage we would have been merely "in business," but with your good will and friendship we have enjoyed the feeling that our efforts to serve you well has received your approbation.

It is, therefore, at this merry Christmas season, that we wish to greet you and wish you well. You, our friends, have made our progress and growth possible, and we would feel ungrateful indeed if we failed to wish you from the bottom of our hearts—

THACKER SUPPLY Company

Roaring Springs, Texas

SPEARS GIN MATADOR

It's a very pleasant, cheering custom to renew friendly associations during the Yuletide by extending to you our sincere wishes for a Happy Christmas.

Early Settlers Gathered For Community Christmas Trees In Gay '90's

Year's Ball at Matador Ranch and Festivities

Christmas celebrated
ago—before the era of
lights, automobiles, fancy
dresses, and the like?
The first community Christmas
celebrated by Mesdames Jeff

Morriss and J. L. Moore, was in
1893 at the old Heath and Moses
building, which stood at the pre-
sent site of the Luckett building.
"It was a large cedar tree,
reaching to the ceiling, and decor-
ated with candles and pop-corn
strings," said Mrs. Morriss. "On
Christmas Eve folks gathered in
for miles around for a Christmas
program, distribution of gifts by
a real Santa Claus, and then a
dance, which usually lasted until

late in the night.
Each child present received a
colored cheese-cloth sack filled
with candy and an apple, provided
by donations. Mrs. Moore one year
made the rounds to collect money
for candy, and still has a portion
of the list of persons to contact,
given her by Judge Henry S. Bis-
hop, now of Amarillo. Mrs. Mor-
riss recalls making a pop-corn
ball for every school-child in the
community.

Ball at the Matador Ranch, which
brought an end to holiday festivi-
ties. For many years, Mr. and Mrs.
H. H. Campbell were host and
hostess to just about the biggest
affairs staged in this section dur-
ing the "gay nineties."
Mrs. Morriss attended her first
Matador Ranch ball in 1888, when
only about 15 women and girls
could be rounded up in the ter-
ritory that stretches from Chil-
dress to the Spur Ranch and west
to Estacado.

Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Howell and
children of Alanreed, were over-
night guests Monday in the home
of Mrs. Howell's mother, Mrs. J.
A. Groves. They were enroute to
Celina, to spend Christmas with
Mr. Howell's mother.
Mr. and Mrs. Claude Groves and
small son, Barton, of Childress
were visitors here Sunday with
relatives.

Mrs. L. A. Nelson left Saturday
for Los Angeles, California, where
she will visit her daughter and
family, Mr. and Mrs. John Harris,
and her son, LeRoy. She was ac-
companied to Lubbock by Mr.
Nelson and daughters, Glenda and
Wanda.

Mrs. Lula Carpenter and daugh-
ter Rachel, drove to Lubbock Sat-
urday where they met and ac-
companied home, Mrs. Charles
Wyman and son Jimmie, of Long
Beach, California, who will visit
them. Mrs. Wyman is Mrs. Car-
penter's daughter.

Mrs. Marlin Pounds and daugh-
ter Kay, arrived here Tuesday
morning from their home in Te-
ague, Texas, to spend Christmas
with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe
Meador. Another daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. Meador, Mrs. Lucille
Cooper of Tulla, is also here for
the holiday.

Mrs. Vera Whitten of Carlsbad,
N. M., is spending the holidays

So on and on into the night,
they danced—until only a lone
fiddler was left to greet the new
year's dawn.

with her brother and family, Mr.
and Mrs. W. W. Carpenter, and
other relatives.
Mr. and Mrs. J. Rufus Emmons
and son, Jimmie, left Wednesday
morning for Fort Worth, where
they will visit relatives until Sun-
day.

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daughter, Dorothy, left Friday
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Exchange Of Gifts Is Featured At Several Holiday Parties Here

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Mrs. W. W. Clements was hostess Friday evening when members of the Friday Club entertained their husbands with an annual Christmas party which included a turkey dinner, followed by six games of bridge.

Decorations of evergreen boughs and nandina berries were used, and at the conclusion of the bridge progressions, an exchange of gifts, was distributed from a colorfully lighted Christmas tree.

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Preceding the games, refreshments were served at the dining table, decorated for the Christmas season. Place favors were miniature candles in holly-wreathed holders.

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Gifts were exchanged in attractive tree decorating room.

Emmons Entertains For Office Force

Mr. and Mrs. J. Rufus entertained members of the county agricultural office at their home Tuesday night, December 16. After playing and exchanging Christmas refreshments of coffee, candies were served.

Attending were Mr. M. J. Stacy and son, John, and Mrs. Ray Patton, and Allie Barton, Aurene Wandell Berryman, M. Williams, and Billie Lawrence.

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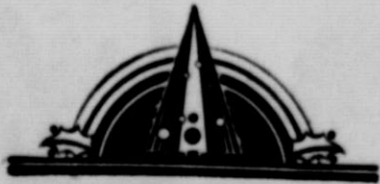
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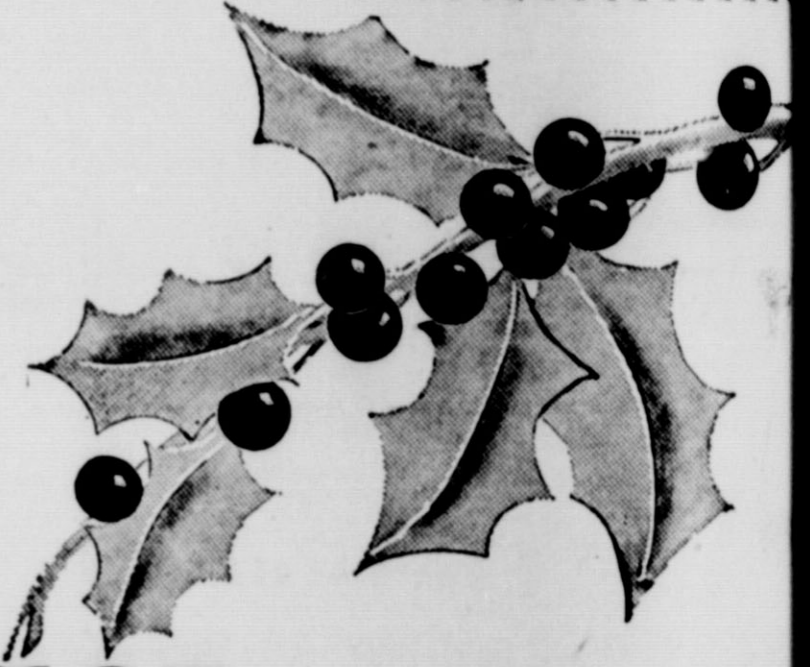
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At this cordial season of the year, we like to feel that each of you is one of our loyal friends and that our success, whatever it may be, is just a reflection of yours. You, the people of this community have been very liberal with your patronage, and we are grateful. We trust that these associations have been as pleasant to you as they have been to us.

So we wish you all the joys of the season and sincerely hope that the coming months will bring you a large share of prosperity and happiness.



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Early Settlers Gathered For Community Christmas Trees In Gay '90's

Year's Ball At Matador Ranch and Festivities

Christmas was celebrated long ago—before the era of lights, automobiles, fancy parties, and the like? The first community Christmas tree was installed by Mesdames Jeff

Morriss and J. L. Moore, was in 1893 at the old Heath and Moses building, which stood at the present site of the Luckett building.

"It was a large cedar tree, reaching to the ceiling, and decorated with candles and pop-corn strings," said Mrs. Morriss. "On Christmas Eve folks gathered in for miles around for a Christmas program, distribution of gifts by a real Santa Claus, and then a dance, which usually lasted until late in the night.

Each child present received a colored cheese-cloth sack filled with candy and an apple, provided by donations. Mrs. Moore one year made the rounds to collect money for candy, and still has a portion of the list of persons to contact, given her by Judge Henry S. Bishop, now of Amarillo. Mrs. Morriss recalls making a pop-corn ball for every school-child in the community.

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Mrs. Vera Whitten of Carlsbad, N. M., is spending the holidays

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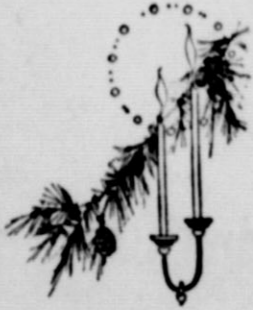
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Mr. and Mrs. Dirickson, who accompanied Mrs. Sanders to Muskogee for the weddings, returned to Matador Sunday evening, and will continue to make their home here.

Congratulations and best wishes are being extended the couples, by their many friends in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Moore, Mrs. Charlotte Hunsucker and daughters, Kara and Marie, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Farris Fish and sons, James and John, are spending Christmas Day with relatives in Lubbock.

Exchange Of Gifts Is Featured At Several Holiday Parties Here

Mrs. Clements Entertains

Mrs. W. W. Clements was hostess Friday evening when members of the Friday Club entertained their husbands with an annual Christmas party which included a turkey dinner, followed by six games of bridge.

Decorations of evergreen boughs and nandina berries were used, and at the conclusion of the bridge progressions, an exchange of gifts, was distributed from a colorfully lighted Christmas tree.

Mrs. D. I. W. Birnie held high score, and Mrs. Harry Campbell received a cut prize, for the women, with Dr. J. S. Stanley winning high score for the men, and D. E. Pitts, the cut prize.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Barkley, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Daffern, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Collier, Mr. and Mrs. D. I. W. Birnie, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Pitts, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Tunnell, Mrs. Charlotte Hunsucker, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Stearns, Dr. J. S. Stanley, and the hosts.

Tuesday Club Has Party

Members of the Tuesday afternoon bridge club enjoyed their annual Christmas party Monday evening in the home of Mrs. U. L. Willie.

Preceding the games, refreshments were served at the dining table, decorated for the Christmas season. Place favors were miniature candles in holly-wreathed holders.

High score at the conclusion of six games of bridge, was held by Mrs. L. J. Barkley for the members, and by Mrs. B. F. Tunnell, guest. Other guests present were: Mesdames Harry Campbell, D. E. Pitts, and R. E. Donovan, and Mrs. W. P. Cooper of Roaring Springs.

Members present were: Mesdames T. J. Daffern, L. J. Barkley, L. R. Bishop, Annie Tudor, Earl Laughlin, W. W. Clements and the hosts.

Gifts were exchanged attractive tree decorating room.

Emmons Entertains For Office Force

Mr. and Mrs. J. Rufus entertained members of the city agricultural office at their home Tuesday, December 16. After playing refreshments of coffee, candies were served.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. J. Stacy and son, John, and Mrs. Ray Patton, and Allie Barton, Aurene Wandell Berryman, Marjorie Williams, and Billie Lawrence.

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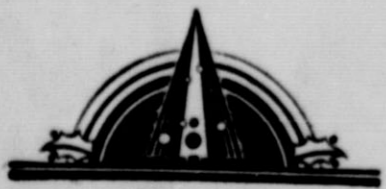
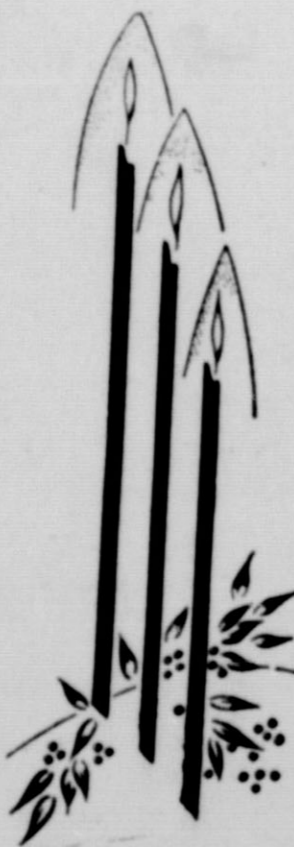
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SINCERE WISHES

This firm extends to its friends and patrons its best wishes for a Happy Christmas and trusts that our services will merit the continuance of your good will.

The loyalty of our friends has been of material benefit in bringing us a little closer to our goal of achievement.

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At this cordial season of the year, we like to feel that each of you is one of our loyal friends and that our success, whatever it may be, is just a reflection of yours. You, the people of this community have been very liberal with your patronage, and we are grateful. We trust that these associations have been as pleasant to you as they have been to us.

So we wish you all the joys of the season and sincerely hope that the coming months will bring you a large share of prosperity and happiness.



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CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Joan Stedman

WERE tired of the camp and were going to move on. Gordon lifted his head. "Go back out on me and quit? These are good here." Stedman of the lumber gang said, "Say, money ain't every-thing we want to get back to town going." He slouched back and joined the crowd of men around the great camp-

fire. From the log bungalow beyond the camp twinkled many lights. Orrek stared at the Christmas candles. Marcia had placed them there, saying they brought peace to the household. And now, with his men walking out on him, Marcia would be lost to him.

A skimming sound on the firm snow aroused him and Marcia, a gay little figure in her white furs, caught at his arm and came to a standstill on her skis. "Why stay out here when I want you, Orrek? We're making up a bridge table."

A bridge table when his future career was toppling down!

"Orrek, what's wrong with the men?" she asked. "My maid told me there had been a row there."

Orrek's eyes blazed as he tucked the small hand under his arm. How he loved her! In a few brief sentences

he told her of the discontent among his men. "It's the loneliness that gets them," he finished, "the lack of amusement."

"If they walk out you cannot keep your contract. That will queer you with the owners." She turned and left him in silence.

Back at the bungalow Marcia tumbled the contents of her clothes closet while talking rapidly to her maid, Ninette. "Isn't it lucky that I taught you those chords, Ninette?"

The camp men, grumbling around the fire, fell into a sudden silence as the gay plink-a-plunk of a banjo sounded in the clearing.

Gebert, surly gang leader, jerked out his pipe. "Listen, boys!"

Down the hill Marcia came gaily, her fingers bringing jolly notes from the strings. The frosty air echoed and re-echoed as Ninette joined in.

"I know that," declared Gebert.

Carried along by memories, the men joined in, forgetting the loneliness of the Christmas eve, forgetting their fancied troubles.

Marcia had come to the very edge of the great fire and stood there picking at the strings. Above her towered the man she loved, just beyond her stood the men in a semi-circle, their unshaven faces lighted by a mutual love of music.

"How many of you play small instruments?" she asked softly.

The answers brought a quick smile to her lips. "I thought there would be many of you to help me out," she cried.

"I want to have a string-band," hurried on Marcia, "and I need volunteers. A violin, maybe two or three. A guitar—"

"I play the flute," interrupted Jacques.

"And I the piccolo."

"At home I have an accordion," came a wistful voice, "but—"

"Fine," interrupted Marcia. "I have, tonight, made out an order that should have been mailed sooner. It is my Christmas gift to our men. The order is for musical instruments. I wish each man would write down his instrument and give it to me. With luck we should have the order filled in three days and we'll practice hard so that New Year's day may find us ready. How about it?"

There was an instant response as hardened palms came together.

Just beyond the pines a wolf howled, but Marcia was looking up into her lover's eyes.

(Associated Newspapers—WNU Service.)

Wrapping Small Gifts

An unusual way to wrap a number of small gifts that are to be given in a good-sized Christmas box is to tuck each one in an envelope made of either plain red, holly, silver or gold paper. Wrap each gift first in plain white tissue paper, folded in envelope style, and seal the flaps of both the inner and outer envelopes with contrasting seals. Patterns for the envelopes can be cut from ordinary envelopes by tearing one apart and either enlarging on it or trimming it down.

Subscribe For The Tribune

Frozen Land Lacks Snow for Yuletide

Those people who think of Alaska as a land of ice and snow are mistaken!

It seems that several of the Far North communities were noticeably—even embarrassingly—lacking in snow last Christmas, and many Alaskan boys and girls who got new sleds from Santa were very disappointed.

In Seward, citizens were making plans to haul in several loads of snow from the mountains to pile around the Christmas trees on Fourth avenue as a reminder that it really was the holiday season in the "bleak and frozen north." A slight fall of snow came just in time to save them the trouble, however.

In Ketchikan, a snowless Christmas was celebrated, but this is not unusual for Ketchikan, where December 25, 1940, was the eighteenth snowless Christmas since 1917.

Decorate Yule Tree To Fit Your Taste

Before trimming your Christmas tree this December, study the following ideas and decide which yours will be. The six Christmas trees described below, are trimmed in amazingly new and different ways.

The "Coronado" is typically southwestern. A tree trimmed in cowboys and cactus... Indian relics and dazzling yellow lights.

"Colonial" is early American in every detail, trimmed with miniature wooden churns, log cabins, candle sticks, Indians, turkeys and colonial dolls. Green colored lights and silver tinsel complete the color interest.

The "Student" does everything but say "Rah, rah." Various colored lights shine on gaudy trimmings and erasures, crayons, pencils and slates for classroom touch.

The "Maritime" is nautically trimmed with clipper ships, anchors, sloops and buoys. Blue lights gleam through clouds of angel hair.

"Victorian" is brilliant with white lights and tinsel branches and is decorated all over with unique ornaments of every shape, size and color.

The "Canine" is an amusing idea to please the canine member of the family. Decorated with bones, dog toys, fire plugs, dog biscuits, and vari-colored lights... a real "fun" tree.

The first state to apply the word "capitol" to its state house was Virginia, which term Gov. Francis Nicholson applied to Williamsburg in 1698.

Cary Grant, movie actor, was once a life saver at Coney Island. There are only 12 letters in the Hawaiian alphabet.

Rain floods the burrows of earthworms and drives them to the surface, hence so many are seen after a rain.

The halibut does not reproduce until about 10 years old, and has about the same life span as that of a human being.

We Wish You Merry Christmas

... And it is pleasant to remember old friends, and to wish them, in a genuine sort of way, all the joys of a Happy Christmas.

May Health, Happiness and Prosperity be yours, not only on this day, but every day throughout the years to come.

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RED ROSES

By Perna Krick

BR—RR—ING!

Ann Carson climbed quickly down off the small stepladder she was using to hang the glittering angel on the topmost bough of the Christmas tree. The sharp clang of the doorbell was a welcome sound. Hastening joyously she flung the door wide open.

"For me? Come in, Timmy." She smiled down at the wizened old hunchback shivering on the doorstep. Ann took the package tendered almost ceremoniously, bearing conspicuously the label of his own small flower shop. And with the privilege of a lifelong friend Timmy followed her into the warm lamplit room.

Slowly and musingly Ann untied the bright red bows. She knew without looking what the box contained and as her fingers broke the seals she seemed again to hear Jerry's voice, low, quivering and hurt.

They had gone to a dance that memorable Christmas eve and homeward through the whitening mist she had tried, bravely, to tell him she must marry another man.

A frantic Jerry pleading and a strange new ache at her heart, she had stood for a moment on the run-



White Roses!

ning board of his car and Jerry had whispered: "But, darling little Ann, I'll love you always—always!"

He had touched with reverent clumsy fingers the single crimson rose she was wearing on the soft

black fur of her evening wrap. The touch seemed to give him an idea. Jerry was romantic and they were both so young. "No matter wherever I may be, little Ann," he said, "I'll send you red roses at Christmas time and you will know."

"If ever," he had added, crushing her close as he lifted her down, "if ever I feel I can live without you, when the scars of this night heal, I'll send white ones. Remember!" and with a quick stride he was gone.

But she had not married the other man. Somehow after that she couldn't. But impulsive hot-headed Jerry left that night, a stowaway on a tramp steamer bound for China, and now one, two, three, four long years unrolled before her.

Her letters, pleading and unashamed had followed him half way around the earth gathering curious postmarks, undecipherable, but eventually they had returned, battered, torn—but unclaimed.

But they had come. From strange lands in far odd corners they had come, those orders to old Timmy the florist for the red, red roses as red as her own heart's blood that now beat so chokingly in her throat. And she would wait, wait forever if need be, for Jerry.

Exultantly she lifted the lid. Roses!

But slowly over her face froze a look of piteous unbelief. The mass of blossoms blurred before her eyes and Jerry's pain-torn words rang in her ears: "If ever I can live without you, I'll send white ones." And—these were white. As white as the drifting snow outside. White roses! Mutely her lips formed the words. Oh, God, it couldn't be, after all these years! White roses!

"You don't like them? I very sorry." Crestfallen, apologetic, old Timmy was turning to go. "But the order came so late. No red ones left for you, only little wilted buds and so I peck the keeg, beeg white ones for you." His dim old eyes pleaded eloquently for her understanding.

"Oh!—Oh!—breathlessly. The light that he'er was on land or sea came bounding back into Ann's face and fear as a child's faith in Santa Claus the far-away chimneys were peeping. Peace, good will to men! Jerry had meant red roses after all.

Chimney and Santa

It is reported that Santa's custom of coming down the chimney on Christmas eve stems from an old English notion—that sweeping down the chimney at New Year's was necessary so that good luck could enter in.

Observe Rules When Sending Greeting Cards

Definite rules govern the signing of Christmas cards, even though they are the expression of friendship and good wishes.

It is important that the cards reflect the degree of intimacy existing between the sender and the recipient. An air of formality in a card to a very good friend is as improper as an intimate greeting to a casual business acquaintance. Many persons prefer to select cards separately to find a personal subject and message for each friend. This is an ideal thing to do, but it requires considerable time.

Handwritten signatures are written different than names on formally engraved cards. When signing your name, it is best not to include titles—that is, do not put "Mr." or "Mrs." before your name. When names are engraved, however, they achieve a more formal tone and therefore require titles. The only exception to this is the single man whose name is never preceded by a "Mr." even though it is engraved on the card.

Married couples writing informal cards to friends are faced with several special problems. There is no definite rule which tells whose name stands first, but if the names are written by hand it is better for the one who signs them to write his or her own name last. When the name is printed on the card it is immaterial whether the husband's or the wife's name comes first.

A very nice signature for a family would be, "From the George Karpis—all five." If there are only three in the family it would be equally suitable to write, "John, Mary and the Baby."

It is entirely proper to sign your name alone when sending cards to a business acquaintance whom your wife (or husband) does not know. In this case the card is addressed to the business acquaintance alone, even though he or she is married. Cards sent to a good friend, even though he is not known by your husband or wife, may be signed with both your names.

Whenever doubt arises concerning the manner in which a Christmas card should be addressed or signed, use your own sense of good taste. After all, the mere fact you are sending a card is an expression of friendship, and as a result almost any errors you may make will be completely overlooked.

HOLIDAY HOSTESS HINTS

A large, festive cake will confer upon any Christmas banquet a Yuletide air that is quite distinctive. Individual cakes help, too.

When carving turkey, first cut through the leg, crack the joint, and then disjoint the leg from the turkey. Cut the breast in medium thick slices, not in chunks. Use a sharp knife.

Turnips make an excellent garnish. Cook until tender, cool and scoop out the insides. Spread with butter and fill with cubed, seasoned beets. Reheat and surround the fowl platter.

If you spill pumpkin filling over the edge of the crust it is likely to burn during baking. Avoid this by pouring only part of the filling into the crust, put it in the oven, then pour in the balance of the filling.

New Ideas Foster Spirit of Christmas

At Christmas time ideas are more important than ever—amusing ideas to keep minds from too stern realities; clever ideas to make money-saving a pleasure; ideas to stress the old, old Christmas spirit of joy and reverence and gay family gatherings.

Get the family into the spirit of an old-fashioned Christmas with all helping — "deck the hall with boughs of holly," bring in the yule log. If you have no fireplace, then let the yule log become a centerpiece decoration for the table.

Use evergreens, red berries, pine cones, acorns for that home-made Christmasy look. Grandmother's festoon of cedar boughs tied with a big red bow still holds more genuine Christmas spirit than the most expensive artificial decorations.

But if your family demands a change from the too-familiar, suggest they invent decorations. Maybe they want a red, white and blue Christmas. Red barn paint and bluing are still cheap.

For packages, for mantelpieces—think how many everyday things are

already red, white or blue, or how easily things may be enameled or dyed. Paint or dip pine cones, sticks and dark things in enamel or show card colors. Dye pipe-cleaners, little fluffy feathers, dried grasses.

A package with red, white and blue feathers tied in with the bow.

A Christmas tree decorated solely with balls of cotton, bright red, white and blue—they can't be beat. Strew white and blue stars around; decorate with candy canes crossed saber-wise and tied with a big blue bow. Make huge imitation candles of mailing tube or stove pipe or logs, covered as you please. They are fine for outside the door or by the fireplace.

Whatever you do, hide your solemnity with old-fashioned simple gaiety . . . make it a seriously important family Christmas!

FOR PREVENTING SPOTS

If you have a metal necklace that causes dark spots on your pastel dresses, try coating the back of it with colorless nail polish. Allow to dry thoroughly.

Christmas Party



"Annie," the gentle chimpanzee of the Philadelphia zoo, certainly seems to enjoy her pre-Christmas party. Her favorite gift—of course—was her toy "monkey doll."

Presents of Cotton For Holiday

Manufacturers and stylists worked overtime this fall to produce inexpensive, yet durable, gifts to believe it or not, these gifts are cotton!

For every member of the here is an endless variety of attractive cotton articles. For or there are handkerchiefs, underwear, sweaters, house bathrobes. For sister, play suits, blouses, evening sports frocks, riding breeches. For father, lounge shirts, handkerchiefs, sport shirts. For brother, sport shirts, hunting coats, sweat shirts.

And for the whole family, table linens, rugs, bedspreads, towels, auto seat covers, sheets, slip covers.

So you see, your Christmas list will really be a list for the family.

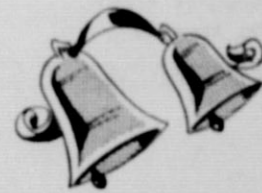
English Originate Cards. The singing of Christmas originated in England. According to tradition, this is the Christmas gift—of course—"Glory to God in the highest, and on Earth, Peace will toward Men."



To You

ONE AND ALL COMPLIMENTS

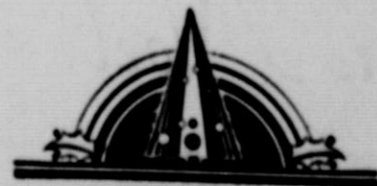
Of The Season



During the year now closing we have greatly enjoyed the privilege of serving you. Without your loyalty and the patronage we would have been merely "in business," but with your good will and friendship we have enjoyed the feeling that our efforts to serve you well has received your approbation.

It is, therefore, at this merry Christmas season, that we wish to greet you and wish you well. You, our friends, have made our progress and growth possible, and we would feel ungrateful indeed if we failed to wish you from the bottom of our hearts—

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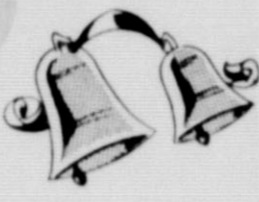
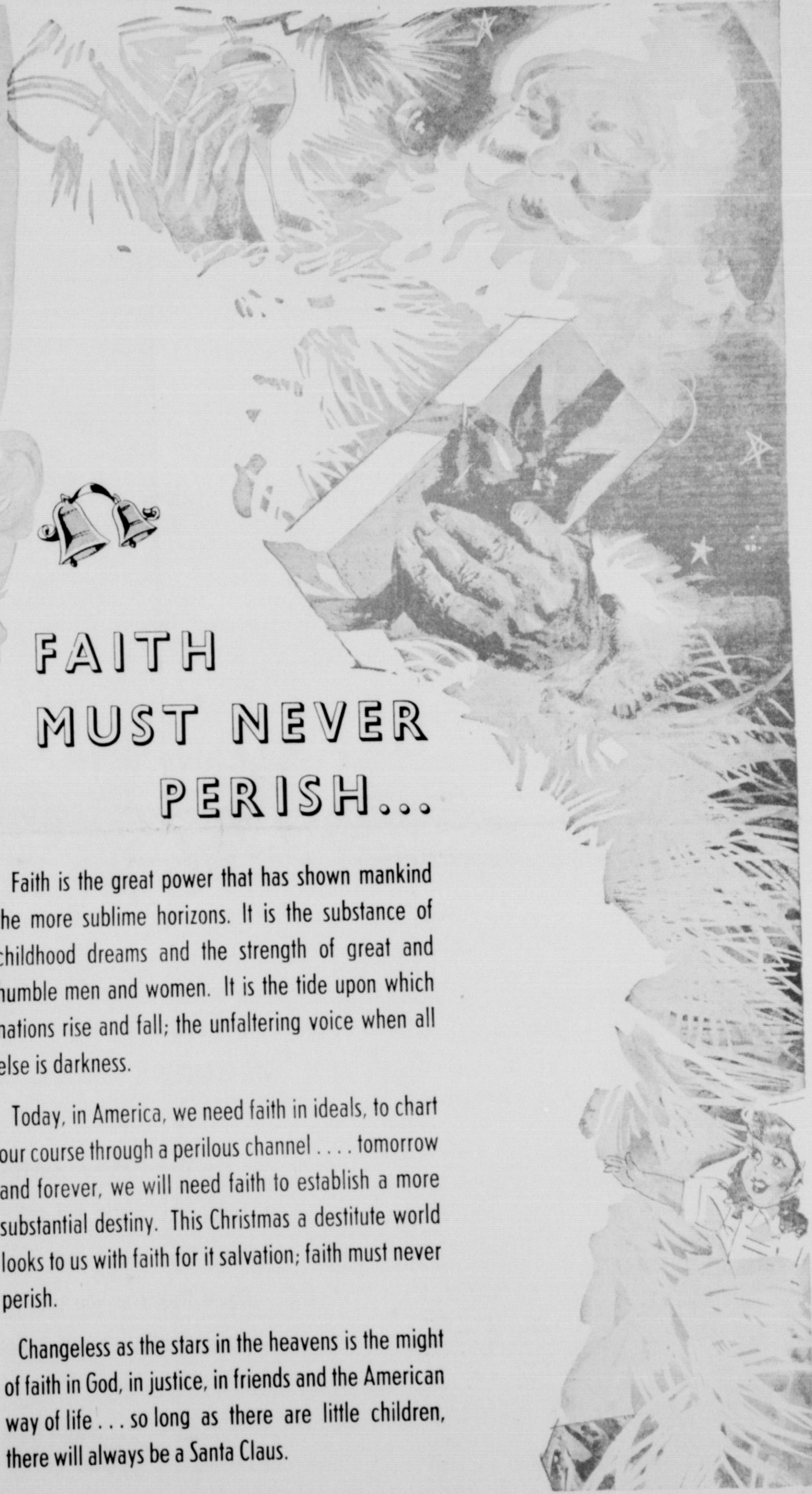
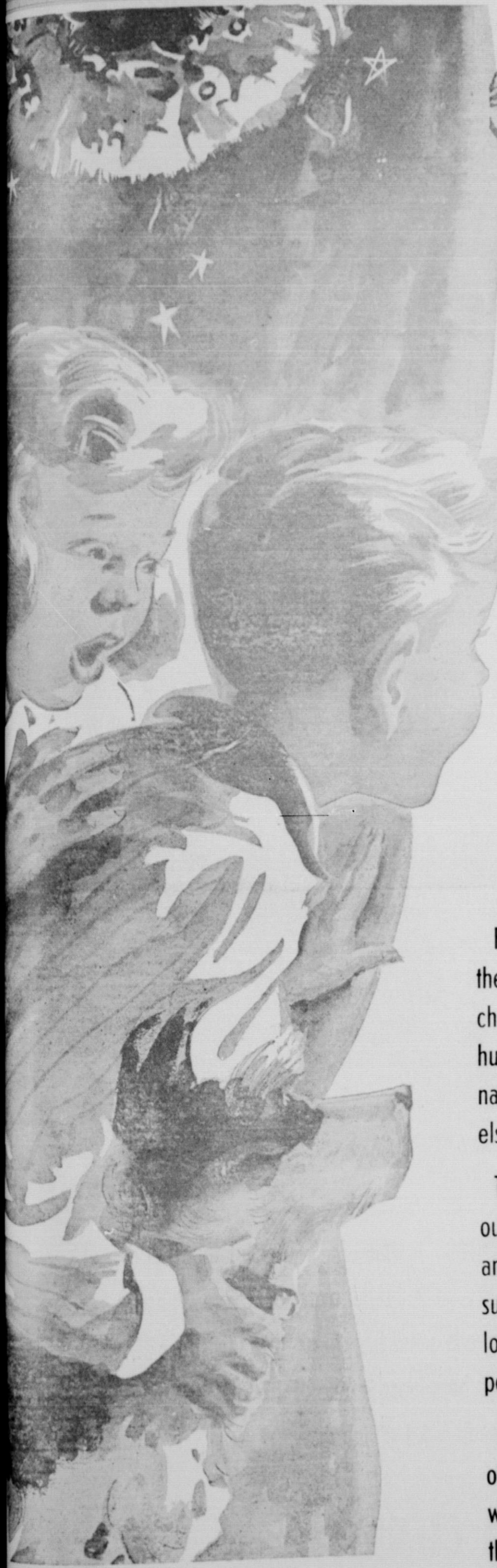
SEASON'S GREETINGS

Every business, regardless of size or type; every individual, is dependent upon someone else for support and existence. Our business is dependent upon our many loyal friends who have favored us in scores of ways during the past year.

It may have been through your patronage . . . it may have been a kind word of cheer . . . or it may have been an expression in our behalf to some friend of yours . . . but, in whatever way you may have favored us, we are thankful.

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FAITH MUST NEVER PERISH...

Faith is the great power that has shown mankind the more sublime horizons. It is the substance of childhood dreams and the strength of great and humble men and women. It is the tide upon which nations rise and fall; the unfaltering voice when all else is darkness.

Today, in America, we need faith in ideals, to chart our course through a perilous channel . . . tomorrow and forever, we will need faith to establish a more substantial destiny. This Christmas a destitute world looks to us with faith for its salvation; faith must never perish.

Changeless as the stars in the heavens is the might of faith in God, in justice, in friends and the American way of life . . . so long as there are little children, there will always be a Santa Claus.

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Parents Still

(Continued From Page One) Manila. Whether in practice drills or on the actual battlefield, it is his duty to provide marching time and keep up morale of the soldiers. On September 4, 1940, Private Reinhardt enlisted and was sent to Angel Islands, Calif. About one month later, he sent his civilian clothes home and set sail for the Philippines.

Having been in the islands a year, he has seen all phases of tropical weather, from the bright, sunny day, to the season of almost constant rain. Private Reinhardt's letters are carefully read by a chaplain before being sealed, in order to pre-

vent "information useful to the enemy" from escaping to the outside world. He did tell, however, of a two weeks' leave, during which time he visited the fierce "manheaders" of the southern Philippines, those savages who are today dealing misery to Japanese landing parties.

Will Go To Brooklyn Climbing Mt. Charleston, a 10,000 foot Nevada peak, to get Christmas trees for the Air Corps Gunnery school at Las Vegas was a recent expedition in which Private Raworth W. Tilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Tilson, took part.

This week the youth is being sent to New York city for an eight week period of study. At the Perry Gyroscope Company in Brooklyn, he will become familiar with power-operated gun turrets and sights. At the end of this course, he will return to the gunnery school in Nevada and to the 70th air base squadron to which he is attached.

"This schooling means a chance to learn a lot of things I've been wanting to know about," declares Private Tilson, according to reports received from the public relations officer at the gunnery school. An instructor in aircraft armament at the gunnery school on his return he will teach what he has learned in Brooklyn.

Not only will Tilson see a section of the country new to him, but he will have the opportunity of seeing again his brother, W. R.,

who is stationed at Windsor Locks, Conn., near New York city, as an airplane mechanic.

The Tilson brothers were both stationed at San Antonio until July, Raworth at Brooks Field, and W. R. at Kelly Field. At that time, Raworth was sent to Las Vegas and his brother to Chanute Field, Ill., where he studied airplane mechanics.

"I like it at Las Vegas even better than at Brooks," said Tilson. "The field is smaller and newer. A fellow can see the effect of some of the things he has done to make a fine army post out of what was just desert before."

Pied 'Pinions

BY MRS. M.

As we come to another season of giving, and the full significance of the occasion is pondered, we are reminded of a poem by Wilbur D. Nesbit, titled, "Always Christmas," from which we quote:

"Used to think that Christmas was nothin' but a day To get a lot o' presents an' to give a lot away.

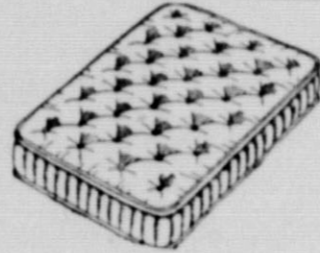
Shout "Merry Christmas!" an' helped to trim the tree— Just a day o' Christmas was all that I could see.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means of expressing our sincere appreciation to friends and neighbors for the many acts of kindness, words of consolation and the beautiful floral offerings tendered during the illness and death of our loved one.

It is our prayer that the Blessings of God shall rest upon each of you.

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Claude Watson
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Since I found that Christmas is more than any day, Christmas came to our house—an' never went away.

Struck me of a sudden that friendliness an' cheer Was meant to be on duty more than one day in the year! If we're happy Christmas, why not the day before.

An' the day that follows, an' so on, evermore? Got to thinkin' of it—an' that is why I say Christmas came to our house—an' never went away.

Lots of us go ploddin' along the road o' life

An' think one day o' gladness will make up for all the trife But the Christmas spirit can show you how you need To make each a day a Christmas in thought an' word an' deed— Used to pack the kindness in camphor balls next day Till Christmas came to our house—an' never went away.

We just keep on givin' to strangers an' to kin An' find that what is goin' out is always comin' in! Makes the sunshine brighter

where we've got to live To learn that givin' is ke what you keep you giv in May— An' Christmas came to our house—an' never went away.

Used to think that Christmas was nothin' but a date Till I learned that truly you never have to wait, But that it's the spirit that says apart

If you let it find you, an' in your heart, Since I found that Christmas more than just a day— Christmas came to our house an' never went away!

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MERRY CHRISTMAS
To All Our Friends And Customers
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LETTERS to Santa

Matador, Texas
December 12, 1941

Santa, I am a little boy seven years old. I have tried to be a good boy. I would like to have a defense football, baseball outfit, an airplane, and a picture for my room. Will you also fill my stockings?
With love,
Dean Stotts.

Matador, Texas
December 12, 1941

Santa, I am a little boy five years old. I would like to be good this year and be good to me. I'd like a van-type truck, a large radio, a banjo and anything else I think I deserve. Please be good to all the little boys and girls so they have a merry Christmas.
Love,
Ronald Eudy.

Matador, Texas

Santa Claus, I have been a very sweet little boy this year. I am two years old. I would like very much for you to bring me a baby doll and a nurse case. Please remember mother, and all the other little girls.
Yours truly,
Ladell Rattan

Matador, Texas

Santa Claus, I have been a very good little boy this year. I am seven years old and am in the third grade. If you please bring me a big doll that sleeps and cries. I would like for you to bring a big doll and a nurse case.
Love,
Wanda Mitchell

Roaring Springs, Texas

Santa, I am a good girl seven years old. I would like for you to bring me a doll and a nurse case.
Love,
Wanda Mitchell

Roaring Springs, Texas
December 15, 1941

Dear Santa, I am a little boy seven years old. I would like so much to have a farm set and a Northwestern Mounty Police set.
Your friend,
J. W. Campbell

Roaring Springs, Texas
December 15, 1941

Dear Santa Claus, I want an electric train, a truck, a football, and a pair of gloves for Christmas. Also, I would like to have a box of candy and a picture for my room. Will you also fill my stockings?
Thank you,
Stirling Cummings

Roaring Springs, Texas
December 15, 1941

Dear Santa, I am a good boy eight years old. Please bring me a football and a tool set.
With love,
James Gaston Bishop

Roaring Springs, Texas
December 15, 1941

Dear Santa, Please bring me a wagon, a football, and a tool set. Please remember all the other little boys and girls.
With love,
Claudie Wayne Jarrett

Roaring Springs, Texas

Dear Santa, I am eight years old. I'd surely like to have a doll, a doll bed and a nurse case.
Your friend,
Francie B. Yandell
Matador, Texas

Dear Santa,

I have never written to you before. I am five years old. I would like to have a new bath robe and a Doctor set, and any other things you can bring me, and please don't forget the other little boys and girls.
Love,
Melva June Dirickson.
Donie, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl six years old and I know you remember me as I am always at grandma's on Christmas. I hope to be there this year.
I would like to have a doll that cries, a xylophone and a set of crazy-ikes.
Remember al the children and old folks.
I love you,
Lola Kay Pounds

Will Christmas Have A Different Meaning?

Christmas, formerly a time of peace on earth and good will between men, may have a different meaning this year. Now with war going on both sides of the ocean, will Christmas have a different meaning? This Christmas will be just a day when a grim war will continue. Now with the pursuit of war in the world, the common Christmas customs will be harder to follow.

Years ago Christmas had a definite meaning, this year if one country should discontinue for one day the business of war, it might mean the downfall of that nation.

Discouraged people whose homes have been destroyed will

be without happiness and courageous ones will celebrate with little heart. So, altho the real meaning of Christmas will not be changed, certain customs will be discontinued.

What is the Meaning Of Christmas ?

Christmas has two distinct meanings to two different stages of life. The children from three to ten years of age have but one meaning of Christmas. They think of it as the time for Santa Claus to bring them things to eat and toys to play with. They enjoy this date very much but do not realize the real meaning of it.

In three or four years they change their attitude toward Christmas. They think of it as a

remembrance of the Son of God who gave his life for our sins. They remember his words, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." With this in mind they give freely and receive as they give and find much pleasure in Christmas.

It's Your Life !

(Texas Safety Association, Austin)

Everyone agrees that unwarranted speed accounts for most of the increase in automobile fatalities. Few people agree, however, as to the conditions under which certain speeds are out of place. Although Texas' new speed limit is 60 miles an hour subject to zoning, the new speed law reads "Notwithstanding maximum permitted speeds, no person shall drive a vehicle at a speed greater

than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions existing; and speed shall be so controlled as to avoid collision with any highway user in compliance with legal requirements and the duty of all persons to exercise due care."

Ten miles an hour may be too fast for some conditions — icy roads, for example; while 45 may not be too fast on certain highways. Certainly high speed is out of place —

After dark or when pavements are wet or icy.

When approaching street intersections or important crossroads.

When rounding a curve or turning a corner.

When driving in congested places.

When children are playing in or near the street.

For safe driving you should know how quickly you can stop

your car. You may feel that driving at 60 miles an hour is safe under favorable conditions, but do you realize these simple facts:

Your car is covering 88 feet each second.

You travel about four car lengths between the time you realize the necessity to stop and the time you can place your foot on the brake. (This is the "reaction distance" of the average driver.)

You cover at least 11 more car lengths after you apply the brakes before you can stop—this is about nine times as far as at 20 miles an hour.

If you strike anything, the impact is the same as it would be if you drove your car off a 12-story building. No wonder a fast-moving coupe can turn over a 10-ton truck!

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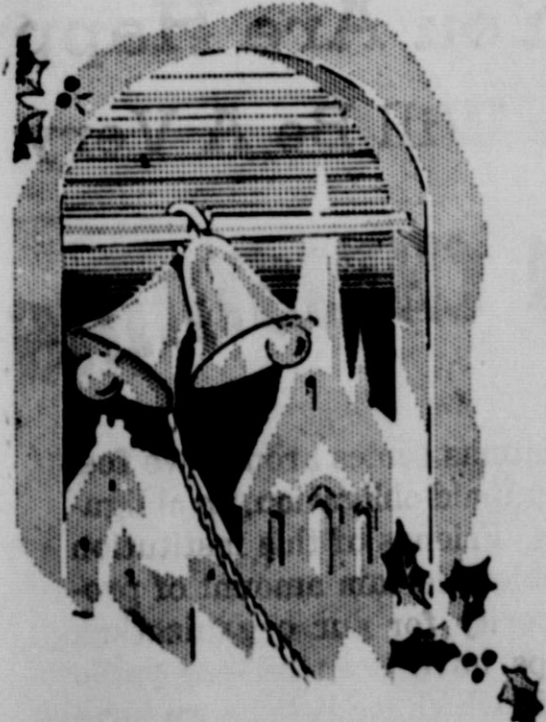
Never before has our country needed so much happiness...so much faith...so much prayer as this Christmas;

We wish you, our friends and customers, all the happiness in the world, with a wish that is like a prayer.

Be of good cheer for right and justice shall be Victorious!



Christmas Bells are Ringing, Merrily...



... And it is pleasant to remember old friends, and to wish them, in a genuine sort of way, all the joys of a Happy Christmas.

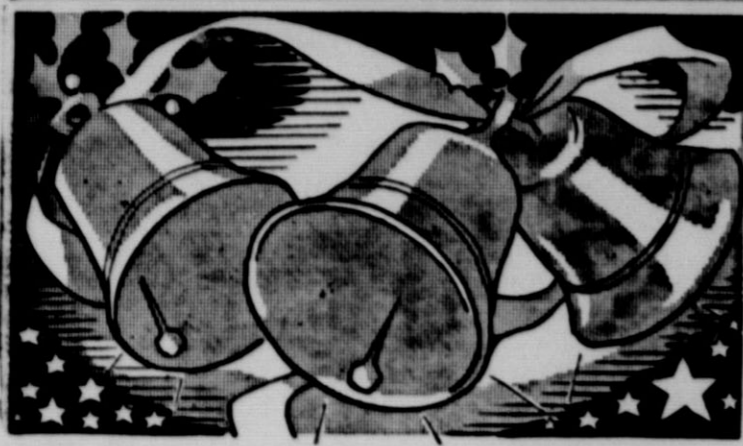
May Health, Happiness and Prosperity be yours, not only on this day, but every day throughout the years to come.

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PADUCAH, TEXAS



Christmas Bells

I heard the bells on Christmas Day
Their old, familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet
The words repeat
Of peace on earth, good will to men.

— H. W. Longfellow

Novel Decorations Enliven Appearance Of Christmas Tree

Before pulling out the old box of ornaments used for trimming the Christmas tree for the past several years, it is a good idea to plan some other decoration which will make the tree different than it ever was before. An occasional change from the old familiar design will do much to brighten up the room.

One novel arrangement is to imitate the snow-draped trees of the forest as closely as possible. Trim the tree all in white with popcorn necklaces, tissue paper snow balls, white glass ornaments and frosted white lights. The effectiveness of this color will be increased if green wreaths with red berries are used about the room.

A graceful pine tree trimmed lavishly all in gold ornaments has a fine formal grandeur about it and is particularly distinguished in certain rooms. In contrast to this a tree trimmed entirely with red and white lights and red and white striped candy canes is very young and informal in heart.

Little pleated paper fans made of Christmas wrapping paper help to "fill" a big tree inexpensively if glass balls and other ornaments are lacking. It is also interesting to add local interest by hanging articles found in the vicinity, such as unusual sea shells, or huge pine cones, or curious burrs and pods which are gilded to improve their appearance.

Miniature trees are attractive, too, especially when they're spangled with beads and shiny jewelry from the five and ten.

Sweetheart to All



Her name is on everybody's lips, from London to Seattle, but this girl from Evansville, Ind., isn't a bit boastful. She is Mary Christmas, and she's everybody's sweetheart now.

Gaily Wrapped Gifts Promote Christmas Spirit

Festive wrappings make the difference between a gift for Christmas and something that might turn up at any time of the year. They express the glamour of the season, the spirit of Christmas giving and the extra measure of good cheer.

Those who wait till the last minute to buy their presents find it best to depend upon bright and gay wrapping papers and glittering ribbon. If the patterns of these papers are selected thoughtfully, something individual can be found for each gift.

Others who obtain their presents a little in advance of Christmas will have time to wrap each gift as a personal greeting in itself. There are a number of ways to give each gift wrapping a different personality.

DEMURE—A square box wrapped in pink foil paper with a round lace

paper doilie pasted on the top, and in the center of the doilie a bouquet of flower stickers.

YOUNG—For a big box wrap in heavy white paper, then cut out green paper in Christmas tree shape and trim it lavishly with Christmas seals.

SPANGLED—Wrap a square box in blue foil paper and spangle it all over with silver stars.

FROSTY—Shiny green wrapping paper spattered with white paper snowflakes will have a wintry glitter.

JOLLY—For the young fry, a gift of handkerchiefs is made doubly interesting if they're rolled up and tied around the middle with white yarn arms, a little broom and a black cardboard hat—to look like a snow-man.

RIPE—Wrap in white paper, tied with green ribbon and, instead of a bow, a bunch of bright cherries from the five-and-ten.

FRIVOLOUS—Wrap the package in green foil paper, tie with white satin ribbon and a "bouquet" of small white plumes.

MUSICAL—Wrap with brilliant blue foil paper, tie with silver ribbon with a cascade of little jingle bells instead of a bow.

A GARDENER'S GIFT—Wrap in flowered paper, tie with green ribbon and add a "bouquet" made of miniature gardening tools.

Christmas Facts

The English poet, Alfred Lord Tennyson, once turned down an offer of \$5,000 for composing Christmas card verses.

Because England's Kings James I and VI had a great aversion to fatty pork, turkeys became popular as Christmas fare.

Christmas is celebrated by the Hindus, and also by the Buddhists in Tibet, where it is called the "Feast of Winter."

There are more than 200 varieties of holly, grown in all parts of the world.

List Suggests Gift Variety For Christmas

Christmas-giving becomes more fun and less of a chore each new Yuletide season. Time was when "what to give a woman" came under what man termed "a nerve-racking" problem! That's all changed now.

To prove it, here's a list of Christmas gift suggestions for the fairer sex, compiled especially for husbands, brothers, fathers, sons, sweethearts.

If the lady-to-be-gifted is socially minded, she undoubtedly will appreciate a gift that will enhance her party clothes—an evening bag perhaps . . . a sparkling piece of costume jewelry . . . a pair of gloves . . . sheer hose, or perfume.

But perhaps she is a homemaker, busy from morn til night with the problems of a house and family. A stunning quilted robe for her few hours of relaxation . . . a pair of house slippers that are casual and colorful . . . a crystal salad set for luncheon entertaining . . . all these will be appreciated!

For the high school or college miss . . . a sweater in one of the new youthful pastel colors . . . a pair of mittens . . . a peasant kerchief to wear for sport or dress . . . a tiny compact for important dates . . . or one of the latest indoor games to bring her friends around.

For the invalid whose daily life is centered about her bed . . . a gay bed jacket . . . or a new china breakfast set with a tray, which, after meals, can serve as a comfortable prop for books and writing paper.

For the career lady in your family, you might buy hose that can't run . . . pigskin gloves for sports . . . a rhinestone star to wear in her hair . . . a manicure kit . . . or a pair of frilly slippers.

For the gray-haired lady in your house, a smart envelope handbag would "hit the spot."

HANDBAGS WILL MAKE IDEAL GIFTS FOR YOUNG AND OLD

There's a Merry Christmas "in the bag" when the giver remembers handbags, for young and old.

There are plushy little bags, in muff or animal shapes, for the little miss who found pennies in the toe of her stocking, and needs a purse for her wealth. Other "little girl" delights are miniatures of grown-up handbags, complete with slide fasteners, and pocket mirrors, in either fabric or leather.

For old suster, there are plaids and pigskins, wools and wonders in smooth leathers that borrow their colors from Christmas itself—holly red and brightest green.

Grown-up gift, lists for sister, mother, aunt or sweetheart, can be checked off with a minimum of fuss and worry, at any smart

handbag counter. Muff bags in fur fabric, or coating fabric trimmed with fur, are a welcome gift for most any woman. Leather bags, with multiple-compartments and a generous sprinkling of zipper-pockets, are a delight to older women—particularly those who take their budgeting seriously. And for lighter moments, the assortment of evening bags is dazzling, and quite the answer for Her gift—in glitter versions of rhinestones or sequins; and lovely heirloom types in tapestry or metallic fabrics.

From 1493 to 1933, the western hemisphere mined silver to an estimated value of more than \$6,300,000,000.

MOTLEY STUDENTS HEAD COUNTY CLUB

CANYON, Texas—Jack Nichols of Roaring Springs and Fred Simpson of Matador, freshman and junior respectively at West Texas State College, have been elected officers in the Floyd-Motley County Club on the campus.

Nichols was elected vice-president of the organization and Simpson was elected reporter to the college paper and yearbook.

There are twenty-seven students in the club from Floyd County and ten from Motley County.

STUDENTS ARE HONORED

LUBBOCK—Houston Schweitzer and Kara Hunsucker of Matador are among the 61 junior students at Texas Technological college who will be initiated into

Letters to Santa

Roaring Springs, Texas
December 15, 1941

Dear Santa,

I am a boy seven years old who wants a cowboy suit and a little truck.

With love,
L. H. Clifton.

Alpha Chi, national honorary scholarship society, today. Membership in the organization is limited to the upper ten per cent of the junior and senior classes, and both leadership and scholarship are considered. A total of 117 students will be honored in the ceremony.

Houston, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Schweitzer, is enrolled as a civil engineer, and Kara, daughter of Mrs. Charlotte Hunsucker, is a journalism major.

Roaring Springs, Texas
December 15, 1941
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a girl nine years old. Please bring me a doll for set. Please remember boys and girls.

With love,
Blanche

Dear Santa,
I am eight years old. Please bring me a doll and a set of some nuts and candy appreciated.

With love,
Gay Lajoux

Dear Santa Claus,
Will you please bring wagon and bicycle. I am eight years old. Please bring the other boys and girls that they have something.

Yours
Duane



"Always be as happy as you can..."

The World always needs happy people... the crystal laughter of children... music and smiles... the bright eyes of lovers... now, more than ever before, it needs your happiness this Christmas... Be as happy as you can, for happiness is one of the greatest powers on earth... America needs a lot of laughter.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

To All Our Friends And Customers

Quanah Cotton Oil Company

WAREHOUSE NO. 3.

ROARING SPRINGS

WEST IS REVIVED WHEN COWBOYS MEET AT ANSON FOR CHRISTMAS BALL

Remembrance of the old open range again re-enacted December 25 at Anson when a record crowd of old-time cowboys gathered for the annual Christmas ball, just as in the 1880's.

Thursday night, 426 couples gathered for the annual Christmas ball, and there were several hundred spectators.

Miss Matricula Bledsoe, "chelle to the ball," was a loving cup by B. L. president. Visitors came from as far away as New Louisiana, Arizona, Colorado, Washington, and Oklahoma.

The association's own home, Anson. The floors were of the walls decorated with red and shawls" just as in the Morning Star hotel where the ball was held in 1885.

The usual modern-day "show" square—but one of the pioneers indulged in a bedded down the trip to Anson by wagon and buggy away ago.

dances, just as in the days, were the Virginia and Toe Polka, schotting the stately waltz.

ball was popularized by "The Cowboys' Christmas" written by Larry Chit-New Yorker who happened in Anson and attended early-day balls. The old house, where he wrote his years ago the ball was re-gathered thru the efforts of Lenora Barrett, local high teacher, and herself some- a pioneer, and was such a year for the first time the ball held in its own home, Hall, built of rock veneer and with a dance large enough to accommodate several hundred couples.

ball has an interesting history at its first presentation was a very little cowtown. Rhoads, owner of the Morn-hotel, hit upon the idea grand ball to entertain the ends of the area, to be held before Christmas.

He selected a convenient date and circulated the word from one cow-camp to the other that there would be "great doings" at the ball on Saturday night before Christmas.

All the cowhands gathered in for the event, checked their "shootin' irons" and spurs, and hunted for a partner for one "grand sworray."

Today, where the first ball was held now stands the modern \$110,000 Jones county courthouse, now being remodeled. In fact, everything about the town has been remodeled and changed from the little town of the years gone by. The only remaining reminder of the past is the annual Cowboys' Christmas Ball.

Whiteflat News

ATTEND SOCIAL

A group of Whiteflat young people gathered at the Methodist Church Friday night for a social. After games were played, refreshments were served to Mildred Vinson, Elsie and Gladys Cook, Betty Sue Knoy, Dorothy Jean Casey, Ida Belle Armstrong, C. D. and Alvin Garrison, Skeet Jameson, Jackie Bloodworth, Norris Fulfer and Mrs. W. J. Knoy.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Harris visited relatives at Dallas last week.

Miss Dorothy Acker, student at WTSTC, Canyon, arrived home Saturday for the Christmas holiday.

Miss Camella Wilkinson, teacher in the Crosbyton schools, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kim Wilkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Reed, Mr. and Mrs. J. Re-4, and Mrs. Mary Cook of Holbert, Okla., visited in the Elza Cook home Sunday.

Mrs. Laure Carlisle, teacher at O'Donnell, is spending the Christmas holidays with friends and relatives here.

Miss Willena Wilkinson, student at Draughon's Business College, Lubbock, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kim Wilkinson.

S. A. Dickson is visiting during the holidays at Sulphur Springs.

Mrs. Gordon Beck is spending the holidays at Anson.

Mr. and Mrs. Kim Wilkinson and daughters, Willena and Camella, are spending Christmas week in Red River county with relatives.

Miss Kata Lynn Humphries, teacher at Crosbyton, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Humphries.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman McCary visited in Littlefield and Brownfield last week.

Mrs. Clara Yarbor of Magadore, Ohio, is visiting during the holidays with her mother, Mrs. S. A. Wilkinson and other relatives and friends.

President Pays High Tribute To American Scouts

In his annual Christmas message to the Boy Scouts of America of which he is Honorary President, and in which he himself was active for more than seventeen years, President Roosevelt paid high tribute to the Boy Scouts, expressing "the appreciation of the Nation for the contribution which Scouts and Scouting make to our national strength and morale by helping to keep alive the menly virtues of truthfulness, loyalty, courage and helpfulness."

The President's greetings to the nation's 1,470,316 Scouts, Cubs and their leaders follows:

THE WHITE HOUSE
Washington, D. C.

To The Boy Scouts of America:
Once again I send sincerest Christmas greetings to the Boy Scouts of America; bespeaking also the appreciation of the Nation for the contribution which Scouts and Scouting make to our national strength and morale by helping to keep alive the many virtues of truthfulness, loyalty, courage and helpfulness. Now, as always, the Nation needs citizens who are pledged to keep themselves physically fit, mentally alert and morally straight.

(signed)
FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

A tax or assessment of money once was known as a "scot"; hence, "to go scot free" means to escape without tax or penalty.

During 1939, the Netherlands East Indies yielded 8,800,000 tons of oil, 2.8 per cent of the total world output.

Texas Tech Offers Aviation Correspondence Courses

Lubbock, Dec. 20—First college in the nation to offer air corps preparatory courses by correspondence, Texas Technological College now has available three types of courses which may be taken by correspondence or extension. All have been approved by the chief of the Air Corps in Washington, D. C.

Four subjects will be taught in the course designated to prepare the cadet applicant for complete exemption from examinations. It may be completed in five months to a year and includes two semesters in freshman English, two semesters in plane geometry and college algebra, one semester in trigonometry, and two semesters in American history.

Second course is called a refresher course and carries no college credit. Subjects to be taught are high school English, arithmetic, algebra, plane geometry, trigonometry, general history and United States history. Cost of each of these courses is \$70, or \$10 for each three-hour course.

The third course is "Principles and Laws of Physics" will prepare students for army examination for qualifying as navigators-bombardiers. Applicants for such appointments need only a high school education, but must pass tests in physics.

Plans for the course were worked out cooperatively by the college extension division and Maj. Joseph R. Peller, district recruiting officer; Capt. Perry C. Eucher, aviation procurement officer for the El Paso district; and Sgt. R. A. Jackson, chief clerk in the local recruiting office.

J. F. McDonald is director of the Tech extension division.

FIFTY YEARS AGO:

Old Glory had 44 stars.

Europe was experiencing an unusually severe winter.

Diaz was supreme dictator of Mexico.

It was considered poor taste for a young lady to call a gentleman by his first name.

Queen Victoria was in her heyday.

There was much argument about Darwin's recently-introduced theories on evolution.

We were mourning the death of Lowell.

Louis Pasteur had just discovered germs.

Polite escorts never lit and smoked cigarettes without apologies to their girl-friends. (And now it's a breach of etiquette if he doesn't offer her a smoke).

Russia was experiencing an Industrial Revolution under Alexander III.

Kaiser William II had just dismissed Bismarck.

The following great writers were living: James Whitcomb Riley, Eugene Field, Bret Harte, Mark Twain, Oliver Wendell Holmes, John Greenleaf Whittier, and Alfred Lord Tennyson.

Joel Chandler Harris was writing Uncle Remus stories.

Japan had just adopted its first constitution.

John Shea of the New York National Guard spent ten and a half consecutive hours in a dentist's chair so he could pass the physical examination and be mustered into the regular army with his guard outfit.

Rev. J. E. Douglas of Cannelton Ind., unable to marry a couple because their license was issued in Kentucky, went with them on a ferry boat to Hawesville, Ky., and performed the ceremony.

Santa won't forget

You can't go wrong with these people, Santa. We've lived with them a long time, and have enjoyed their unselfish attitudes, their thoughtfulness and consideration of the other fellow... They've been mighty good to us, and that's why we want you to be good to them.

Matador Auto Co.

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America's Second Line of Defense

Today America's destiny rests in the hands of two defense lines—our armed forces and those of us working in essential industries.

One of our Nation's most important essentials is oil—not only for our defense requirements, but for all related civilian activities.

Texas supplies over one-third of America's oil and we Texans who work in this vital industry—250,000 of us—are proud of our part in providing it. We know how necessary it is to National Defense.

There can be no interruption in the flow of these materials so vital to our Nation's safety. The task calls for the all-out skill, experience and loyalty of every American.

The Texas oil industry to a man is on the job.

TEXAS-MIDCONTINENT OIL AND GAS ASSOCIATION

Merry Christmas

From All of Us to All of You

We choose the simple, age-old greeting, "Merry Christmas," to hail you, our friends, in this joyous holiday season. We choose these time-worn words because we believe them best qualified to carry the full quota of sentiment and Christmas good will that we want to convey.

To have served you from time to time has indeed been an enjoyable experience, and we will strive to merit a continuance of your patronage and friendship during the coming year.

MATADOR VARIETY

W. F. Jacobs and Personnel

Our Greetings To All The Boys In Service

The Christmas Saint

by James P. Kelly

CHRISTMAS eve. Streets white with swirling snow flakes. Marionetta, behind the counters of the five-and-ten, peered into one of the little ten-cent mirrors it was her business to sell.

Marionetta was crying because there was no Santa Claus. More than anything she hated to go back to the tiny basement flat that she and mother and Jim called home, and tell Jim the truth.

Jim, or Jimmy, as Marionetta always called him, was crippled. Marionetta insisted that he was too little yet to know about Santa Claus. She had gone without her lunch for days and days and saved her nickels and dimes to buy the things Jimmy wanted.

That very morning she had started out to work, her precious savings tucked away in her purse, her heart all but singing out loud.

Then, when she got off the car, someone in the motley crowd bumped her elbow and her purse was knocked from her hand. Marionetta dived for it, but another dived at the same time and when she straightened up a small, flying figure was crossing the street. That was why her feet lagged on her homeward way.

Her hand on the door of the basement flat, at the dirty tenement house where she lived, she noticed a big automobile drawing up at the curb, and an elegantly dressed lady alighting. Showing off! She turned her back on the picture, flung open the door and stepped inside.

"Hello, Sis," Jimmy looked up brightly. "Tonight's the night!"

Marionetta looked dully at her mother.

"I lost my purse," she said tonelessly. "Some kid snatched it this

morning. It looked just like that McCarty kid that comes here to play with Jimmy so much but he ran so fast I couldn't be sure."

"Don't cry, honey," her mother said. "We'll make out somehow."

There was a knock. Mrs. Clancy went to the door and opened it. There stood the lady of the big automobile, her arms piled high with packages.

"Is this where Jimmy Clancy lives?"

"Yes, ma'am." Mrs. Clancy stepped back. "Won't you come in?" The lady stepped inside. She kept smiling at Jimmy, whose eyes were wide and bright.

"I met Santa Claus down the street this afternoon, Jimmy," she said, "and he asked if I would bring these things to you. He said he was going to be very busy tonight."

Jimmy was feverishly tearing at the packages, which the lady had dropped into a big chair beside him. As his heart's desires emerged from their tinsel wrappings Jimmy shouted with delight.

Under cover of the excitement Marionetta drew near the pretty lady and whispered:

"Tell me how you knew about Jimmy?"

"Why, my dear, it's such a strange story! This morning I saw a little boy snatch a purse that someone dropped, and when he ran away I had my chauffeur follow him and bring him back to me. He told me he wanted to keep the money to buy some toys for a little crippled friend whose folks were too poor to buy things for him. I promised him I'd play Santa Claus to Jimmy if he'd promise me to wait on that corner for the girl who dropped the purse, every morning at the same hour, until he found her and gave it back to her."

"Why," cried Marionetta, "did you ever hear anything so like a fairy tale? That was my purse, and it really was Jerry McCarty, mother! There was such a crowd he couldn't see who dropped it. He'd never have stolen—but it wasn't stealing. And just to think that a moment ago I was doubting the Christmas saint!"

The lady laughed. Then in that clear voice she said:

"Well, just to make you even more sure of him, I'm going to bring a famous doctor to see Jimmy the day after tomorrow, and I'm going to have him take Jimmy to a hospital and cure that bad leg of his. The good Christmas saint doesn't want to find him crippled when he comes back next year."

(Associated News Service)

The SPUR of the Moment

CHRISTMAS EPISODE by J.A. WALDROD

EVERYBODY except confirmed bachelors and spinsters from choice is interested in domestic phenomena. And the marital happiness of others is a matter of wonder and inquiry on the part of matrimonial parties who have missed it.

The Vanners—Rose and John—had been married two years and had lived at a hotel all of that period except the weeks devoted to honeymoon travel. They were happy, and this state in a hotel is unusual with married pairs for any considerable period.

After Mrs. Vanner's women friends had discussed the matter among themselves without solution one of them made bold to ask her about it.

"A man and a woman can be happy anywhere if they are in love with each other and if they are truthful—absolutely truthful—with each other," was Mrs. Vanner's explanation.

Not that they prided themselves on their veracity, or paraded virtues. It just happened that they were such good pals that deceit had no place in their association. And while each, before marriage, had been lively enough in a decent way, they were so well satisfied with each other that they were seldom apart, except as business called Vanner or auction bridge or some other pastime engaged Mrs. Vanner.

The holidays were approaching. The Vanners were dining together at the hotel as usual when Mrs. Vanner asked: "Have you any plan for Christmas eve?"

"Not a plan," Vanner replied. "Want tickets for the theater?"

"No. We go to the theater all the time."

"Well, make your own plan."

"If you are keen for some mutual enjoyment, make one yourself. Think up something. But if you are not, I've an idea I should like to play bridge that evening if you could find something congenial!"

"The idea suggests one to me. Friends at the Sojourners' club have been trying for weeks to get me into

them."

"But you wouldn't go into the game as a regular thing, dear?"

"Oh, no!"

"Isn't poker a gambling game?"

"No more a gambling game than bridge, Rose."

"Shall you play late?"

"I shall probably be home by midnight."

"Well, we shall play but four rubbers. No doubt I'll be in bed and asleep when you come in. Just go to your room, and we'll see which of us wishes 'A Merry Christmas' first in the morning."

And so it was planned. The Vanners had dinner together at the hotel, as usual. Then Vanner went off to the Sojourners' club, and Mrs. Vanner started to drum up her trio of bridge devotees. But her plan did not carry. One of the women was suddenly called out of town, and another became just ill enough to eliminate the game. Mrs. Vanner finished a novel she was reading and went to bed. She was always a sound sleeper until very early in the morning.

The Sojourners' club bunch were amazed at Vanner's luck at poker. At midnight he had most of the chips, and in decency he had to play on. At 4 a. m. he insisted upon cashing in and started wearily for his hotel. He wished there might be some way to keep the knowledge of this innocent delinquency from Mrs. Vanner.

He got to his room in the hotel safely. Apparently Mrs. Vanner was slumbering peacefully in her room. He shed his coat and vest and was at work on his collar when he saw Mrs. Vanner at his door with a wrap over her night robe.

"Merry Christmas!" she cried.

"Merry Christmas, dear!" he responded. The chimes of a neighboring cathedral rang out, foretelling the early Christmas service.

"But why are you dressing so early, John?" she asked.

Vanner suddenly became wide awake. "Oh, I thought it would be a treat to go over to the cathedral and hear the wonderful music," he replied.

"Of course you were going to call me to go!"

"Of course, honey!" Vanner yawned audibly. "Run along and dress."

HEARD THE BELLS



I heard the bells on Christmas Day Their old familiar carols play, And wild and sweet the words repeat Of peace on earth, good will to men.

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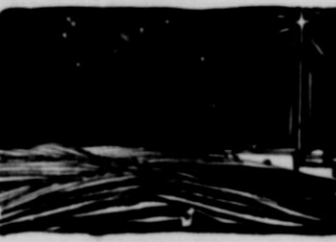
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Christmas Carols

Each holiday season the familiar words of the tuneful Christmas Carol ring out all over the country. The origin of these songs is both interesting and colorful. While some of them were composed here in America, others were written and set to music in other parts of the world. Below, with illustrations, and a brief history of origin are presented some of the better known of these songs.

O LITTLE TOWN



O little town of Bethlehem, How still we see thee lie: Above thy deep and dreamless sleep The silent stars go by...

These words were written in 1868 by Phillips Brooks, young rector of Philadelphia, after a visit to Palestine. His church organist, Lewis Redner, wrote the melody. It came to him "in a dream" on Christmas Eve.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Give our choice of good wishes for our friends, we'd like to see the Christmas Spirit manifest every day of the year. It is that time when the whole world is kin, when petty differences are forgotten and friendships are bound together in a closer relationship, when worries are left behind and the future looks more cheerful than ever before.

This institution plans to maintain this policy throughout the coming year; it is our pledge to show you we appreciate courtesy and favor that has been ours. So we say again

SEASON'S GREETINGS

Harry Willett & Co.

Cordial Greetings

Above all other things in our memory at this glad Yuletide is the thought of the splendid relations with friends of this organization who have made it possible for us to enjoy a very satisfactory year.

The warm spirit of the Holiday occasion reminds us that in our friends, not in our ledgers, do we find our real assets. There are many things that make us thankful this is our home, and for that reason we desire to extend Season's Greetings

CITY TAILOR SHOP
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Solomon, Managers

We Hope You Are Happy... That This Will Be A Very MERRY CHRISTMAS

As another Christmas comes around we feel that we have an unpaid obligation, an obligation of gratitude. Friends of this institution have made possible a certain amount of progress and prosperity for our organization. These friendships have been an enjoyable experience, one in which we believe we have the confidence and esteem of the people whom we strive to serve. And now, all we ask is the privilege of a continuance of these fine relationships to enable us to look forward with genuine enthusiasm to the future.

MATADOR HARDWARE and FURNITURE COMPANY
L. C. Harp, Manager

Yule Dinner Merits Novel Table Setting

Christmas dinner, of course, is a very special one. To add to the merriment for both homefolks and guests, here are ideas for the table setting.

Make place cards of big red apples, the name written on with icing from a tiny pastry tube.

For tree motifs for table or wall decoration, use cellophane straw.

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A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

It is with true appreciation of the fine patronage that you have extended us in the past year that we pause at this glad time of the year to express our sincere good wishes for a most enjoyable Christmas and a successful New Year.

SPUR LAUNDRY

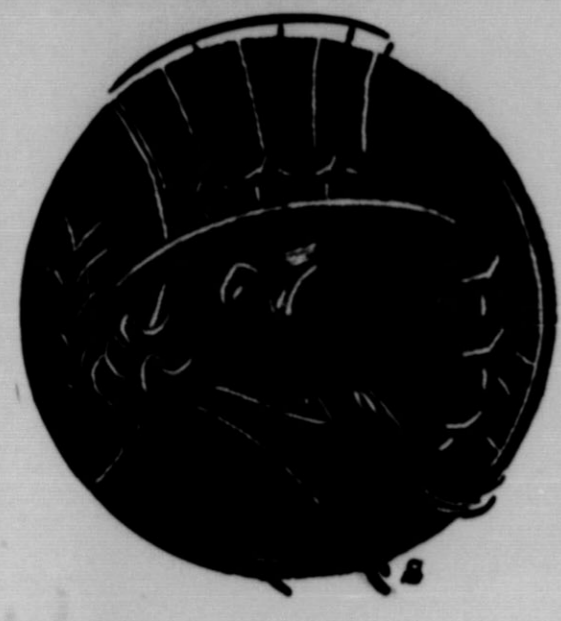
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Merry Christmas to you, Uncle Sam

Perhaps I should have told you before, just how much it meant to me to be your nephew, but I am like a lot of other Americans. I am careless and postpone many duties.

But this Christmas, it is different. We have been brought face to face with cold facts . . . our country is threatened . . . our freedom depends on the kind of a fight we are willing to make . . . so here is what I want to say, Uncle Sam: For 62 years you have protected me . . . given me food and shelter, friends, happiness and liberty, love and a home and all blessings of a peaceful country. You have asked nothing of me, but now I want to offer you something.

Whatever I possess is yours . . . whatever I can do will be too little . . . you name the post I am to fill and I will defend it with my life.

Your obedient nephew

G. S. Craven

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO ALL
THE BOYS IN SERVICE

Buy Defense Bonds!



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Martha's Happiest Christmas

MARTHA was dependable. Like a patient, willing and uncomplaining horse. Her life on her small farm was not different from a tread mill, always the same, day in and day out, month after month, year after year.

There had been a time when Martha was not alone. That was when her older sister Helen and her younger sister Nancy and her still younger brother Curt lived there at the farm. But that was a long time ago, longer still since their parents had died. The sisters were beautiful and had married well, and Curt, possessed of burning ambitions, had left to make his way in the world.

Frequently they came out to call, to "eat one of Martha's wonderful dinners" and "get a breath of country air."

It was on a Christmas day that Nancy brought Barre Howard out. "I knew you wouldn't mind, darling," she gushed. "Mr. Howard is a traveler and he's lecturing in town tomorrow night."

Martha smiled and nodded and looked up into Barre Howard's tanned face, a face that was strong and kind, with eyes that held a dreamy mystery in their depths.

But no one would have dreamed that there were any thoughts in Martha's head save those that centered around preparations for the Christmas dinner.

It was a sumptuous meal, one of the best Martha had ever prepared. She knew a vague sort of pride at the way her guests attacked it.

Martha sat with the others at the table after the dinner was over, listening to Barre Howard tell of his travels, of far away places he'd visited. He looked at her twice while he talked, directly, penetratingly, and she flushed.

After a while Martha got up and began clearing off the table. No one

dried the dishes and stacked them away. And when she came back into the living room, they were ready to go, all of them. After they left she closed the door and turned and went back into the kitchen.

For a moment she stood in the center of the floor. An expression came into her face that was the unleashing of years and years of suppressed desires. She took a quick step forward, seized a broom by its handle, swung it toward the shelf of canned preserves with all her strength.

Martha laughed, shrilly, piercingly, and struck again. The shelf gave way this time, swinging on one hinge. Half a hundred jars of varying size crashed to the floor.

Directly following there was an instant of silence, and in that instant a voice spoke near the kitchen door. "In heaven's name, what are you doing that for?"

Martha whirled, and there, just inside the door, an amazed look on his tanned face, stood Barre Howard.

"Why?" she cried passionately.

"Why? Because it's what I've wanted to do for years and years and years and it's just today I've had the courage. Because I hate this place, hate being cooped up here. Because I'm plain and unattractive and can't have the things my sisters have. Because Nancy's so selfish. Because she isn't satisfied with one man, but wants another, the only one—I—I—"

She stopped at last, breathing hard, leaning heavily against the sink, guilty, ashamed of what she'd almost said.

"I'm sorry. I didn't mean it. Really. If—if there's something you forgot, I'll help you find it."

"There's nothing I've forgotten." "Then—why did you come back? Why don't you go and leave me alone, like all the others do?"

His eyes were steady, penetrating, a dreamy mystery in their depths.

"Why do you think I came back?" he asked.

"Why?" She brushed a hand across her eyes. Something was stirring inside of her, something she thought dead. "Why?" she repeated. "How should I know?"

Barre Howard laughed and stood before her, and suddenly the look in his eyes was no longer mysterious. It was like a picture, readily interpreted, telling her why he had come back.

(Associated Newspapers—WNU Service)

Mrs. Smallwood Honored By Dinner

The children and grandchildren of Mrs. F. Smallwood honored her with a birthday dinner Sunday at her home.

Those present were; Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Smallwood and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Smallwood and son, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Smallwood and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Smallwood and family, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Thompson and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Cooper and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Cooper and sons, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Smallwood and family, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Jameson, Van Thompson of Hortsheer, Oklahoma and F. Smallwood and the honoree.



Martha laughed, shrilly and piercingly, and struck again. She washed and offered to help.

Growing Food Is Important Role In Victory Drama

Growing food for their families is a definite contribution small farmers can make in the Food-For-Freedom campaign, according to W. I. Rushing, chairman of the Motley county USDA Defense board.

If more food is raised than can be used immediately, it may be preserved for home use or sold, the chairman said in pointing out that many producers in Motley county who live on farms too far from marketing centers to justify commercial production have been asking what they can do to increase the flow of food to Britain.

Self-sustaining farm families will relieve demands upon the producers, food processing plants, transportation facilities, handlers, and storage warehouses and thus release additional facilities for supplying food needed in England.

Mr. Rushing listed breeding another sow this fall, planting winter gardens, and raising a few more chickens as the principal means of increasing food supplies at home.

"Various phases of the AAA program are available to help small farmers increase home food production," the chairman said. Various pasture and soil-building practices for which payments are made boost the farmers' efforts to increase milk supply. The chairman also pointed out that many of the soil building crops

Winter Months Are Best For Planting Trees On Farms

COLLEGE STATION—December and other months through the dormant season offer the best opportunity for planting forest trees, according to J. R. Emmons, county agent of Motley county. He says sub-marginal lands, cut-over, or burned acres cannot be put to a better use than sound farm forestry.

The 1942 AAA program recognized the value of tree planting and payments are made at the rate of \$4.50 per acre for pines and \$6 per acre for other trees. About 1,000 pines per acre with a 6 x 8 spacing or 700 trees of other varieties with 8 x 8 spacing are required for compliance. A 65 per cent survival is necessary also. A special forestry allowance of \$15 is available for tree planting in addition to the regular soil building allowance.

Farmers interested in tree planting can consult their county agricultural agents on how to obtain trees from the Indian Mound Forestry Nursery operated near Alto by the Texas Forest Service. Approximately three and one-half million seedlings are available for distribution from the nursery.

Among the varieties obtainable are slash pine, longleaf pine, loblolly pine, shortleaf pine, black walnut, black locust, red mulberry, Chinese elm, and Russian olive. The last two are suited especially to windbreak and shelterbelt planting in West Texas, since they are drought resistant.

Sale Of Bonds Over 2 Billion

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Sales of Defense Savings Bonds for November amounted to \$233,487,000, it was announced recently by the Treasury Department. The November figure carried total Defense Bond Sales past the two billion dollar mark, and revealed that \$2,008,611,000 worth of Bonds have been purchased by the American people since the Defense Savings Program was launched on May 1 of this year. Total sales had passed the one billion dollar mark during July.

November sales were divided as follows: Series E Bonds, \$109,475,000; Series F, \$18,978,000; and Series G, \$105,035,000.

Total cash deposits at the Treasury for all three series of Bonds by months: May, \$349,818,000; June, \$314,527,000; July, \$342,123,000; August, \$265,606,000; September, \$232,327,000; October, \$270,713,000; November, \$233,487,000.

All figures are rounded to the nearest thousands, and will not necessarily add to total.

The trees are for forestry purposes only, so no trees can be used or resold for ornamental plantings, Emmons says.

Lunch Room Offers Balanced Menus

(Delayed)
The Matador School Lunch room which is a W. P. A. project sponsored by the Matador Child Welfare is proving a real success this year.

Hot plate lunches are served at the noon hour each school day to students and teachers who wish to have a hot lunch at school for 10c. Sixty free lunches are served to under-privileged children each day. Over a period of four weeks in November the lunch room served 1,677 lunches and plan to serve more during bad weather.

The lunch room is run under strict sanitary laws. Each employee has passed a medical examination and blood test. They wear white uniforms and aprons and a hair net.

Balanced menus are planned each week by County supervisor Miss Edwina F. Cearley. Mrs. R. T. Hammersley is foreman and Mrs. Jacie Bourland is cook. Mrs. Mary E. New and Mrs. Lizzy Franklin are helpers. These ladies are looking forward to a new stove that has been promised the lunch room and is needed very much.

The following is the menu served this week.

MONDAY
Hot Bean Salad on lettuce, Boiled cabbage, corn muffins, fresh apple and punch.

TUESDAY
Spaghetti, Tomato Hamburger, buttered green beans, plain biscuits, and Somerset cake.

WEDNESDAY
Candid Yams, buttered apple, celery and peanut Oat meal muffins, Peanut cookies and hot chocolate.

THURSDAY
Irish stew, cabbage salad, wheat biscuits, apple cake punch.

FRIDAY
Bean hamburger, buttered corn muffins, banana punch, hot chocolate.

FARMERS URGED REPAIR MACHINERY

Set aside one day of days sometime soon and all farming equipment in vice W. I. Rushing, chairman of the USDA defense board. Motley county farmers to "By checking and determining extent of repairs, farmers know the amount of number of parts necessary farm machinery in A-1 to handle next year's crop."

"Getting into gear before ing into turning and moving of combines, mowing and machines now is the best to determine the extent of needed," the chairman said. points should be taken to smiths for reconditioning instead of waiting until the working comes around.

The slang expression, "fingering," was used at 1615.

An ox has only one carrying power of a camel.

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YOU MERRY CHRISTMAS

AND A Victorious NEW YEAR

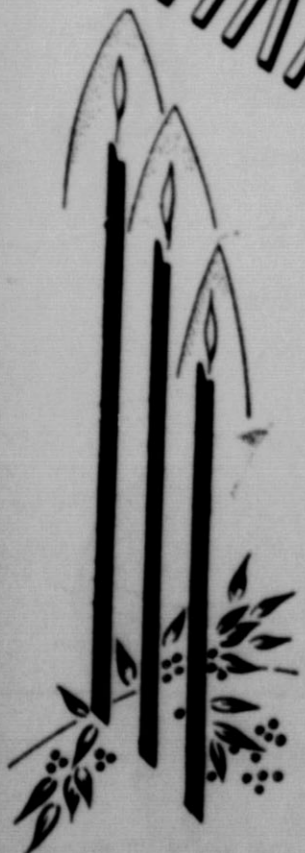
Peace, Liberty and happiness - all that America holds dear, is placed under a great shadow. So, we pause only long enough to wish our friends and patrons a Merry Christmas and a victorious New Year.

Our duties are more vital than ever before as our great nation, United, speeds forward to protect the future peace of the World.

QUANAH, ACME & PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY



MERRY CHRISTMAS



Inspired by the thoughts of pleasant associations during the past we are only too glad to send you a little Christmas sentiment that carries with it genuine thankfulness for all the blessings that have come our way.

L. R. Bishop's Feed Store

SANTA CLAUS OF IRON REINDEER TO TRAVEL BY AUTO

CLEBURNE, Texas, Dec. 19—The Santa Fe Santa Claus will ride again, but this time in an automobile.

Joe Gerard, 73, one of the oldest engineers on the Santa Fe Lines, doesn't know why and wishes he did, but he says the railroad has asked that he not make his famous Christmas run this year.

"I think it has something to do with the war," he commented, "but the company has asked me not to make my run this year. Nevertheless, I will give out my presents just as I always have and this time I am going to meet the folks personally."

For many years Gerard has climbed aboard his engine dressed as Santa Claus. He has a large sack crammed with gifts for the "folks who live along the road-bed." They would be given out from Cleburne to Purcell, Okla.

As the engine chuffed down the track he would toss off the gifts to his "friends" who knew him only by waving. It is all going to be different this year.

Gerard plans to make the trip early this week so that he can be back in Cleburne in time to climb aboard his engine Christmas Day for his regular run.

A ruddy man with blue eyes, he started his Purcell run in 1901. Since that time he donned the suit each year at Christmas and drove the locomotive as he tossed off the bundles.

In addition to tossing off the Christmas packages, he collects

FARM MACHINERY CHECK-UP URGED BY GOVERNMENT

Motley County farmers are being urged to check over their farm machinery at once, in order to see what necessary repairs can be made before spring planting time comes and then to get their order for repairs and parts in the hands of their dealers at the earliest possible moment.

This is the statement of J. R. Emmons, Motley County Agricultural Agent.

"Unless equipment is in good repair the farmer is likely to face a handicap not only in carrying out his Defense Plans, but also in successfully producing his crops," Emmons said.

The state defense board, which is planning an intensive machinery-repair campaign, warns that farmers must repair their old equipment, or face a shortage of machinery next year, said Mr. Emmons.

National defense demands require that all steel formerly used in the manufacture of farm machinery be diverted to other uses.

As a result, the manufacturer of new farm machinery for 1942 has been drastically curtailed and little, if any, new equipment will be available for farming next year's crop.

Steel For Parts Promised

However, all of the steel necessary to produce repair parts for farm equipment has been promised. The board is urging farmers to purchase parts now or place orders before January 1, so manufacturers of farm machinery will have a basis for determining the extent of the repair program.

"Prompt repair and maintenance of farm machinery and equipment has always been a good farming practice," Emmons pointed out, "but this time it looks as if farmers will have to keep their equipment in working order or do without."

Defense requirements have reduced the materials for new farm machinery to about two-thirds of

newspapers and magazines, delivering them every few days to the families in the shanties, saying, "They don't have many pleasures, but they get a kick out of the funnies and the magazines."

Directions Given For Construction Of Fumigation Bin

The first and most important factor in successful control of weevils in stored seed is a bin, or fumigation chamber, built so tightly that the gas will not flow away. Suitable temperature and sufficient quantity of fumigant complete the preparation for the job.

According to Rufus Emmons, County Agent, double walls and floors with buildingpaper between, one wall consisting of tightly fitting matched lumber, makes an ideal fumigating bin. Grain piled on the floor or ground may be fumigated with reasonable success by covering with a tarpaulin and throwing dirt on the edges. Barrels and boxes can be used for small amounts.

The temperature should be 75 degrees or higher. Carbon disulphide, otherwise known as highlife, is the best fumigant for farm use. But Emmons cautions that all lights and fires should be kept away from the liquid and its fumes as it is inflammable and explosive. Four to twenty pounds of the liquid per thousand cubic feet of bin space should be used, the quantity varying with the tightness of the container and temperature. For smaller containers these quantities can be used:

Half gallon jar, one quarter teaspoonful; gallon syrup bucket, one half teaspoonful; 25 pound lard can, five teaspoonfuls, and 50 gallon barrel, one ounce.

A mixture of three parts of volume of ethylene dichloride with one part carbon tetrachloride is free from fire hazards under ordinary conditions. It can be used as a substitute for carbon disulphide under circumstances where the latter cannot be used.

The seed should be put in first and for large containers several gunnysacks placed on top, the carbon disulphide poured over them and the lid fastened. For smaller containers the liquid can be poured directly over the top of the seed. It also may be placed in shallow pans stop the seed, as the gas being heavier than air it settles downward. Seeds for planting should be kept in the tightly closed container 24 hours; if for feed, 48 hours. Then ventilated thoroughly. Weevils also may be killed by placing seed in a bag in cold water and heating to 140 degrees, and then drying quickly, or heating dry three or four hours at 135 degrees. Germination will not be injured.

Healthful Living During Christmas Is Emphasized

AUSTIN—"Despite the fact that America is at war, this Nation as a whole should not forget the true Christmas spirit of Happiness and Good Will, but we can do that much better if we are well and strong," asserts Doctor Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

"Many people are prone to throw caution to the wind and violate every principle of healthful living during the Christmas season. As a result, their minds and bodies are unmercifully punished and sometimes irreparable damage is done," he said.

Doctor Cox pointed out the danger of using lighted candles on Christmas trees or in windows, as a possible source of disastrous fires. Overheating, crowded living conditions, lack of exercise, and over-heated rooms often endanger health during the holiday season, according to Doctor Cox, and he warned parents against undue excitement and late hours for small children.

"Intemperance during Christmas holidays, whether in food or drink, is not excusable from the standpoint of good health practice," he asserted, "and the maximum of pleasure will be gained by those individuals who practice precaution along these lines."

Emphasizing the fact that it is the duty of every individual to conserve his health and strength as well as that of his neighbor, to conserve and bolster the health and manpower of our country, Doctor Cox said that from a standpoint of patriotism alone every Texan owes it to his country to

promote good health at Christmas time as he would at any other season of the year.

Chester A. Arthur, one of the presidents of the United States was a school teacher.



Compliments

OF THE SEASON

We'd like to wish each of you all the Joys of the Yuletide Season because we feel deeply grateful to all our friends whom we have had the privilege of serving.

Sherrod A. Williams

"THE MAN'S STORE"
Paducah, Texas



THE SPARKLE
IN CHRISTMAS



A WORLD AT WAR may yet find a sparkle in Christmas! To the youngsters of West Texas—and all America—this tradition of light, and happiness, and cheer, and good will toward men remains as a glowing reality. For that reason, believing there must always be a Christmas, we consider our job even more essential this year: Helping to keep alive the sparkle of the Christmas spirit through plenty of good light while also serving our nation's armed forces who are fighting to preserve not Christianity alone but our old time Freedom and Democracy as well.

West Texas Utilities Company

Merry Christmas To All The Boys In Service . . .



We Wish You
**CHRISTMAS
HAPPINESS...**

An old-fashioned Christmas . . . the kind of a Christmas that helped make the gay 90's gay . . . yes, the kind of a Christmas that the old family album could tell about so eloquently—that's the kind of a Christmas we wish for you and yours. We're grateful for your patronage during the past year, and hope for a continuance of our pleasant relations.



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Matador, Texas