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WEATHER: Cloudy and colder Friday night with rain turning to snow in Panhandle. Saturday partly cloudy and cold. Maximum temperature Thursday 71 degrees, minimum 47 degrees. Minimum Friday 33 degrees.

Permian Basin OIL & GAS LOG

James C. Watson, Oil Editor

Andrews Discovery Is Completed By Humble

A small pumping discovery from the Wichita-Albany section of the middle Permian was made in West-Central Andrews County by Humble Oil & Refining Company...

Sun Makes Second Millican Field Well

Proof for the second well in the newly-opened Millican pool of West-Coke County developed at Sun Oil Company No. 1 C. C. Millican, 660 feet from north and southeast lines of the 130.55-acre lease in section 230, block 2, H&TCo survey...

Prospective Pay Shot At Seaboard No. 2 Lee

Seaboard Oil Company of Delaware was attempting to stimulate commercial production from the Sprayberry section of the lower Permian in Southeast Dawson County with its No. 2 Lee, wildcat plugged back from 11,010 feet in barren Ellenburger...

Lion Runs Casing Into Scoury Pennsylvania

Lion Oil Company cemented a string of 7-inch casing to 6,617 feet total depth, on its No. 1 McLaughlin, discovery for flowing oil production from a Pennsylvania limestone in Southwest Scoury County...

Rig Catches Fire At Regan Deep Wildcat

Operations were suspended at The Atlantic Refining Company No. 1 A-48 University Ellenburger wildcat in Southeast Reagan County while machinery damaged by fire is being replaced...

N-C Upton Prospect Takes Another Test

Magnolia Petroleum Company No. 1-A TXL, North-Central Upton County exploration, 30 miles south of the city of Midland, and 690 feet from north and west lines of section 31, block 40, TP survey, T-4-B, was running a drill test in the Ellenburger at 12,851-13,001 feet...

Scoury Venture Has Slight Shows In DST

Fluid Oil Company No. 1 Davis, and one half mile north and slightly east of Snyder, in North-Central Scoury County, had only slight signs of oil in the Ellenburger at 7,750-55 feet...

World Looks To Brightest Christmas In Years

War And Weather Limit Pilgrimage To Holy Sepulcher

JERUSALEM—(AP)—The strangest Christmas Eve and the smallest Christian pilgrimage since the crusades were in prospect Friday for Bethlehem, the birthplace of Jesus Christ...

Texas Gets White Fog, Not Snow

A soft, white blanket enveloped Texas Friday morning. No, folks, it wasn't snow. It was fog. And that's as close as most of Texas will come to a white Christmas this year...

'Peace on Earth, Good-Will to Men'



Since 1908, the ancient Royal Copenhagen pottery has created a special plate each year to commemorate Christmas. After a 'limited edition' is run off the moulds are destroyed. The decoration above is a reproduction of the Christmas (Julen) plate for 1910. From the Retlaw Sekrap collection.

U.S. Bounty Will Help Offset Higher Prices In Europe

LONDON—(AP)—Christians throughout the world looked forward Friday to a brighter Christmas than they have enjoyed in years—though generally a more expensive one...

JayCeas Deliver Baskets

Santa Claus, represented by Midland JayCeas, Friday was visiting the homes of more than 150 unfortunate families, leaving Goodfellow baskets containing foodstuffs, toys, candy, fruits, nuts and Christmas trees, and spreading Christmas cheer in general...

Prices were up almost 60 per cent over last year. Britain has the makings of a merrier Christmas this year than last— for people who can afford it. Chickens, ducks and geese are more plentiful and the Food Ministry has authorized extra rations of some tightly controlled foods...

Chest Returns Christmas Drive Continues

A total of \$28,802 had been received Christmas Eve by the Midland County Community Chest in its annual finance campaign which started about two months ago, President Robert L. Dickey announced...

UN Orders Halt In Dutch-Indo Battles

PARIS—(AP)—The Security Council Friday ordered an immediate end to the fighting in Indonesia and prompt release of Indonesian leaders captured by the Dutch. The Council's Christmas Eve vote on these two issues was seven for and none opposed...

Christmas Due Over Much Of Nation

CHICAGO—(AP)—Santa Claus will like this Christmas. Snow was falling over a wide area of the country early Friday, and was expected Friday or Friday night in many other portions of the nation...

Hope Pius Pleads For World Peace

VATICAN CITY—(AP)—Pope Pius XII said in a Christmas message to the world Friday that the year 1948, after opening with hope, appears ending upon a "precipice of anxiety..."

C. S. Lackey Dies In Dallas Hospital

C. S. Lackey, brother of W. W. Lackey, former superintendent of Midland public schools, died early Thursday in a Dallas hospital, according to information received here...

North Pole Reporter Witnesses Old Santa's Take-Off On Annual Visit To United States

NORTH POLE—(AP)—He's off! Santa Claus is on his way at last! The jolly old Saint and his famous reindeer are zooming through the Arctic skies right now, heading for the American border. He'll reach it Friday...

California-Bound Man Didn't Know Wife Was Missing

WICHITA FALLS—(AP)—Mr. and Mrs. Roy Berendsen of Walters, Okla., were reunited here at 2 a. m. Friday and Mrs. Berendsen says she is warning her husband to "look before you drive..."

Canada Recognizes New Jewish State

OTTAWA—(AP)—Canada recognized the State of Israel and its provisional government Friday. The recognition was of the de facto type—the same previously given by the United States and the Union of South Africa...

LATE NEWS FLASHES

SAN FRANCISCO—(AP)—The Chinese Communist radio said Friday Red troops had captured Kelgan, one of the four principal Loyalist cities in Communist-overrun North China. WASHINGTON—(AP)—Air Force seasonal communicative: "Our early warning radar net to the North gives following spot position report of object detected heading Southerly direction: One unidentified sleigh, powered by eight reindeer, at 14,000 feet; heading, 180 degrees. Interceptors alerted and vectored in but unable contact. Estimated time of arrival over target 2400 hours 24 December 48..."

Pioneer Resident Of Midland Dies Friday

Mrs. B. W. Floyd, 72, Midland resident since 1898 and widow of a pioneer West Texas rancher, died early Friday in Big Spring hospital where she has been under treatment the last eight weeks. Mrs. Floyd resided at 1006 West Storey Street here...

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Wealthy Chinese Look For Poverty

TIENTSIN—(AP)—From riches to rags almost overnight is the Christmas story of wealthy Chinese in Tientsin. The reason: the Communists are expected any day. The poorer one looks the less attention he draws...

FROM KERMIT
Mr. and Mrs. Lee West of Kermit were Midland visitors Thursday.

LEAVE FOR ARKANSAS
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Fine left Thursday for Rogers, Arkansas, to spend the holidays with relatives.



From All Of Us
To All Of You ...

Merry Christmas

CAMERON'S PHARMACY
CRAWFORD HOTEL BLDG. PHONE 1882

Young People Will Conduct Baptist Service Sunday

Sunday night services at the First Baptist Church will be conducted by young people.

Tony Dunagan will preside, Diane Daugherty will be at the piano and Rosalyn Leggett at the organ. Fred Carroll will be in charge of the song service.

Johnny Murray will read the scripture and Ruth Hall will sing. Dunagan will bring a word of welcome.

The program will be discussions by college students. Alma Ruth Streeter of Oklahoma Baptist University will discuss "Home Church Experiences I Found Most Helpful at College." "A Typical Day in College" will be discussed by Dennis Rhodes of A&M College, Nadene Clement of Hardin-Simmons will speak on "Permanent Values of BTU," Barbara Brown of H-SU on "Beyond College Gates," Billie Jean Jones of Baylor on "If I Were A Freshman Again," Virginia Dunagan of H-SU on "Christ And A Career," and Genora Brown of H-SU on "Maximum Christianity As I See It."

Lutheran Church To Have Yule Services

A Christmas Eve service for the Sunday School of the Grace Lutheran Church will begin at 7:30 p. m. Friday, with a program by the children, the Rev. Gilbert Becker, pastor, reports.

The Christmas morning service in the church is scheduled at 11 a. m. The pastor's sermon subject will be "Zion, Behold Your King." The choir will sing Christmas music.

Read The Classifieds.

SOCIETY

SUE COLEMAN, Editor

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Leaders Trained As Feature Of Year's Work For HD Club Women And 4-H Girls

Leadership training, in a program which gave 68 women and 25 girls information to pass on to others in their community, was an outstanding accomplishment of Home Demonstration Clubs and 4-H Girls Clubs mentioned in the 1948 report just completed by Mrs. Nettie B. Messick, county home demonstration agent.

In the annual report, Mrs. Messick summarizes work done during the year by the eight home demonstration clubs and four girls' clubs in the county. The women's clubs, including two organized this year in the Warfield and McClinic communities, have total club members and there are 114 girls enrolled in the 4-H Clubs.

Leadership training was received by adults in 11 schools and by club girls in six schools. The leaders trained in these schools taught others in 42 demonstrations by adults and 25 by girls.

Perhaps the most interesting was a team demonstration given by 4-H Club girls after lessons in making yeast breads. The eight girls who received the instruction presented the demonstration to women's clubs. Another group of leaders, both adults and girls, was trained to give demonstrations on work simplification in the kitchen. Their programs, combined with others given by Mrs. Messick, created so much interest that 196 club members reported rearrangement of kitchen furniture and utensils to save motions and steps.

As a background for reporting progress in food preparation and preservation, clothing, home improvement, gardening and landscaping, Mrs. Messick noted that Midland County has had an Extension Service program for 17 years and that 69 women have set up permanent demonstrations in various phases of the work. A permanent demonstration enables the club woman and her family to receive continuing benefits as she learns and practices more of her subject and in turn assists her neighborhood by passing on the information, technical and practical, that she has gained by experience.

Farm Homes Improved
The situation of rural families in Midland County is above the national average, the report shows. Eighty-five per cent of the rural families have at least a comfortable four-room house, electric lights and running water. Many have butane gas, septic tanks and electrical appliances for their homes.

Many farm families are improving their homes as materials become available, and Mrs. Messick attributes to this fact the interest among club women in all phases of home improvement. Kitchen improvement was selected by the women as a major demonstration for 1948, to be continued in 1949.

Landscape gardening was another

popular subject, with attention given to selection of shrubs suitable for the county's climate and soil, growth of plants from cuttings, and planting for windbreaks. As a part of the latter study, a thousand pistachia trees obtained from the Texas Forest Service were set out in the county as an experiment to find if this variety, which is recommended for dry climates, will grow satisfactorily here.

Dresses Modeled
The clothing program in 1948 was carried out principally in the girls' clubs. Members reported making 490 garments valued at \$1,080, and remodeling 182 garments. Twenty-two girls exhibited 63 pieces of clothing at an exhibit late in May, and each modeled a dress she had made. A dress revue was held in July, with a trip to the State Fair at Dallas as a reward to the senior winner.

Women's clubs had their main clothing demonstration on re-styling clothing to conform to current fashions. More than 600 garments valued at \$2,500 were re-styled and made wearable as a result of the programs.

Nutrition for family health has been emphasized in the programs on foods, and club members reported that 218 families are having meals in accordance with the Texas Food Standard. Four-H Club girls planned and prepared 4,010 meals with the standard as a guide.

Women and girls alike showed their interest in demonstrations on food preparation which would help them cut food costs, save time and energy in the kitchen, and still serve attractive and nutritious meals. Eighty-two club girls selected food preparation as their major club project.

Work of clubs over the county is coordinated in the County Home Demonstration Council and a 4-H Club Council, both of which have monthly meetings. These councils sponsor county-wide activities including an annual encampment, Midland County Fair entries, annual achievement events and recreational events on a club family basis. Both raise money for county activities and to send representatives to state meetings and other events of educational value.

High spots on the year's program were observance of 4-H Rural Life Sunday, when 4-H members gave special programs in Prairie Lee and Valley View communities; district 4-H camp at Fort Stockton and the annual county encampment for women and girls at which girls who had attended the district camp gave instructions they had received there; the State 4-H Round-Up; the 4-H Club Dress Revue; the Midland County Fair with its parade and exhibits, when approximately 4,000 visitors saw work done by club members; National Home Demonstration Week; the annual 4-H Harvest Banquet; Achievement Week programs and the club Christmas parties.

WE THE WOMEN

By SUE MILLET
NEA Staff Writer

"We have done everything possible for her. She has unlimited spending money and closets filled with clothes. She is a member of our social set . . ."

Almost always when a parent cries out in bewilderment "We have done everything . . ." it is after a child is in trouble.

This case is no different. The bewildered outcry came from the foster mother of a 16-year-old girl picked up with two boy companions by New York police at 3:40 in the morning after a wild party in the home of the girl's parents. During it, police say, they finished off two bottles of Scotch, rifled through dresser drawers, took two diamond bracelets and a gun.

Not Right Things
Giving a teen-ager unlimited spending money, closets filled with clothes and a chance to associate with the "right" social set isn't really giving a teen-ager any of the things she needs.

There's nothing in that list that is character building, nothing that spells security for a teen-ager.

What then does a teen-ager girl need? She needs a happy home where her friends are welcome—and never mind whether or not the address is fashionable. She needs supervision. She needs her parents at home when she is at home.

In trying to give their children "advantages," many parents overlook the fact that character is the greatest advantage, and that character is a matter of training and example and constant supervision—things money cannot buy.

BUSY DEPARTMENT

The United States Patent Office received more applications for the registration of trade marks in 1946 than in any other year: 27,739, including renewals.

Wrap gifts on a flat surface and have all your equipment, such as scissors, ribbons and seals ready to use.

Holiday Dance For Latin Americans

All Latin-Americans of Midland are invited to a Christmas Dance to be held Saturday evening at the Benito Juarez Hall.

The dance, is scheduled to begin at 8:30 p. m.

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And with everybody's mind on Christmas, we particularly think of our friends and patrons whom we have enjoyed serving this past year. We say to all of you, "May you have a very cheerful and happy Holiday."

PENNEY'S



We're Lucky!

No question about it. We're just plain lucky! We're lucky that we live in a community like this, lucky that we have such friends. We appreciate every one of you and your thoughtfulness and consideration.

May the joys of a happy Christmas be yours this season.

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Paris Whimsy

By ROSETTE HARGROVE
NEA Staff Correspondent

PARIS—"Winged Victory" shoulder treatments, "profile" hats and belts that abandon the waist for the neck are some startling whimsies seen in mid-season fashion collections.

The gold kid belt which buckles around the throat is a Schiaparelli

idea for glamorizing the black silk jersey blouse (upper right). The skirt worn with this blouse is made of gold-checked faille which releases a stiffened drape swirled at one side.

The example of the "profile" hat (upper left) has one jutting brim which duplicates facial features. With this is shown a black woolen

dress and fur-lined jacket of Schiaparelli design which features "Winged Victory" revers of beige shaved lamb. The fur on the jacket is slit so that arms may be slipped through to throw revers back in a jutting-out effect inspired by the Winged Victory of Samothrace.

Horizontal-striped ballerina tights (center) of Jacques Fath design make another spectacular fashion for after-ski wear. Shown with an opossum-lined scarlet wool jacket, the black tights are striped in red, yellow and green.

Whimsical ideas seen in recent collections of footwear fashions include gold kid slippers with baroque-effect ankle straps as massive as slave bracelets. In the example pictured (lower right) the eye-catching ornamental treatment is achieved by means of scrolls of blue suede applied over gold kid. As able to catch eyes with their green snow boots (lower left) which are fur-topped with ocelot.

Carols Are Featured On Club's Program

Mrs. Wilson Bryant traced a history of Christmas carols and told Lew Wallace's version of the nativity story on the Pine Arts Club's holiday program. Mrs. J. M. White was hostess. The program was completed with two solos, "O Little Town of Bethlehem" and "Luther's Cradle Hymn," by Mrs. Foy Proctor, and carols sung by the group. Rooms were bright with Christmas decorations, and the table where Mrs. Henry Murphy, club president, poured coffee was centered with an arrangement of red Christmas balls. Mrs. J. Howard Hodge and Mrs. George Kidd assisted in serving the red and green sandwiches, cake and nuts.

Christmas greetings from Mrs. L. G. Byerley, a member now in California, were read. Motion pictures of the group were taken. Guests of the club were Mrs. Myrtle Prost of San Angelo, Mrs. C. A. Goldsmith, Mrs. Harry Miller, Mrs. E. G. Brantley, Mrs. J. Zandt and Mrs. Mamie Stokes. Sixteen members were present.

Students To Conduct Evening Service In Presbyterian Church

Students who are at home for the Christmas holidays will have charge of the Sunday evening service of the First Presbyterian Church, when a discussion will be presented by seven speakers.

The call to worship will be given by Bobby Lynn, the Scripture reading by John Drummond, Jr., and a prayer of thanksgiving by Bill Gilmore.

Introduced by Lynn, the speakers and their topics will be: "Groundwork for Choosing," Shirley Winter; "Others Have Chosen," Frances Puett, Charles Spivey and Emma Sue Cowden; "I Have Chosen," Laura Mann and Sue Caruthers; and the closing topic, "Choose You Now To Serve" by Lynn.

A student breakfast to be given by the Christian Education Committee of the Women of the Church Thursday at 9 a. m. will have as guests the young people of the church who have been away at school. It will be in the home of Mrs. J. L. Greene.

Catholic Churches Plan Christmas Eve Midnight Masses

Traditional Christmas Eve midnight masses will be held in both the Ann's and St. George's Catholic Churches here Friday night, Father Frank Triggs, pastor, has announced. A professional from the front of the church, bearing the crib of the infant Jesus, will begin the service, and there will be special music by the choir of St. Ann's Church.

Mrs. Ben Dansby is in charge of the Christmas music.

Services on Christmas morning will be conducted at 8 and 9 a. m. in St. George's Church, and at 10 and 11 a. m. in St. Ann's Church, Father Triggs said.

Club And Families Have Yule Parties

Terminal Home Demonstration Club had two parties Tuesday, one for members' children in the afternoon in Mrs. J. E. Nelson's home, and another for members and their husbands that night in the E. O. Voge home. Gift exchanges from decorated trees featured both parties.

Packages of fruit from the tree also were presented to the children, who were served punch and Christmas tree cookies. Present were Jim Pat Campbell, Perry Broxson, Sandra Voge, Jack and Ralph Skelton, Jackie and Teddy Nelson, Nancy, Billy and Karen Savage.

The adults played rummy and forty-two after their gift exchange. Refreshments were served to Mrs. J. W. Campbell, Mrs. Bill Savage, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Broxson, Mr. and Mrs. Snead.

Tiny Light Is Aid



Young woman has no trouble reading fine print on theater program thanks to powerful miniature flashlight.

By ALICIA HART
NEA Staff Writer

Have you ever fumbled in your bag for lipstick, eye-glasses or hankie in a darkened theater? Or burned your fingers lighting matches to connect key with key-hole at your front door? Then the way to end both annoyances and many more that pop up is to carry a miniature flashlight in your pocketbook.

One only slightly larger than a lipstick has been designed to go into the tiniest evening bag a girl can carry. In spite of the dwarfed size of the flashlight, you get a beam of light from it powerful enough to illuminate the most microscopic print on a theater program or directory in a dimly-lighted telephone booth.

As practical as its purpose is, this handy helper is as elegantly styled as a bejeweled lipstick. The plated gold or silver case is ornamented with a band of sparkling make-believe gems.

Keelers Entertain With Open House

Mr. and Mrs. W. Gerald Keeler entertained with an open house Thursday night in their home, 2004 West Holloway Street.

A Christmas theme was followed in the decorations with a Christmas tree, holly, poinsettias, Christmas bells and a lighted Santa Claus predominating.

Members of the house party, including the hostess and Mrs. LeRoy Butler and Mrs. Bill Collins, were holly corsages.

Recorded Christmas music was played as refreshments were served from a crystal-appointed table. More than 35 couples called during the entertaining hours.

SOCIETY

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QVW Club Presentation Dance Is Held In Christmas Setting

Formal presentation of pledges was made by the QVW Club Thursday night in a blue-and-silver setting arranged in the Crystal Ballroom of Hotel Schrauber, where about 200 persons were guests of the high school girls' social organization at a dance.

Stepping through a wreath made of silvered evergreen branches, the pledges walked down an aisle marked by deep blue ribbons. The same ribbon tied a silvered mistletoe cluster over the entrance to the ballroom, and sprays of silvered branches beneath the wall lights. Blue lights were used in the wall sconces and in the crystal chandeliers.

Daily decked Christmas trees were set outside the French doors on each of the ballroom balconies. Blue candles lighted the table where punch and Christmas cookies were served.

Pledges Presented
Each pledge was presented by her big sister in the club. Betty Campbell, whose escort was Jim McGraw, was presented by LaVerne Estes; Nell Cole presented Jo Ann Drake, who was escorted by Arnold Drake; Rita Dunlap presented Pat Benedict, whose date was Joe Anderson; June Hazlip presented Enid Little, who was with Hal Finch. Bet Studdert presented Chalkley Murray, whose escort was Lee Mc-

Knight; Peggy Minear presented Katherine Lewis, who was with Fayne Wilks; Eddie Darnell presented Pat Boles, who was escorted by James Weathered; Joy Guyton presented Peggy Caffey, whose escort was Jon House; Maggie Murphy presented Mari Jann Forrest, whose date was Duane Abell; Betty Luckett presented Carolyn Cook, who was with Robert Burks. Another pledge, Nina Brown, was unable to be at the dance.

Chaperones for the party were Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Guyton, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Hazlip, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Minear, Mr. and Mrs. H. Estes.

Music for the dancing was by Jimmie Furman's orchestra.

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Add a little onion or garlic salt when preparing the yolks for stuffed eggs, and garnish with pimento and strips of black olives.

HOME FROM UNIVERSITY

Mrs. N. E. Winter drove to Austin Tuesday and brought her daughter, Shirley, and son, Niles Winter, II, home for the Christmas holidays. Both are students in the University of Texas.

Use proper boxes to hold your Christmas gift, and use tissue to frame the gift.

CHRISTMAS WISHES

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A HAPPY HOLIDAY

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Roy	Jack	Cal
Joe	Kenneth	Ray
Ken	Dale	Petey
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And Ruth said, Intreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee: for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God. —Ruth 1:16.

What The World Needs

"Peace on earth, good will to men?" What a laugh! We've heard people express themselves to that effect. They may be the cynics who tell you that Christmas is just a tremendous commercialized promotion by manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers to snag off the sentimentalists' dollars.

But they are wrong. And happily, they are in the minority. For there truly is a Christmas spirit. You could almost feel it during the weeks just before Christmas, when, as the holiday drew closer, people seemed to become nicer.

Yes, there certainly is a spirit of good will abroad. And it affects people of all kinds and creeds rather than those to whom Christmas has a special religious significance. Today you find thousands of people partaking of Christmas—the good will part, the making other people happy part—who, a few generations ago would not have done so.

The tragedy of it all is that this "era of good feeling" is so fleeting. After Christmas, the gay trees come down, the songs are stilled. We tend to revert to our year-long habits of self-centered thinking and forget about the other fellow—at whom we smiled so warmly during Christmas week.

Perhaps some day the Christmas spirit will last the year around. That's a large order to fill and will take some doing. But we can reflect that, at least in this country, there is wider diffusion of the Christmas spirit today than there used to be.

Nothing Personal

If Madame Chiang Kai-shek has been doing much radio listening since she came to visit the Marshalls, we hope her hostess has explained one thing. The Madame should be told, if only for hospitality's sake, that this song about somebody wanting to get somebody else on a slow boat to China became popular before she arrived in Washington's cool official atmosphere.

We're all finding out that a good disposition is no match for a bad cold.

Men's neckties resembling silk are made of rubber in France. And the styles are the snappiest.

Some couples get along fine because the wife has a will of their own.

Prison inmates in an Indiana town want to form a union. And next they'll want to go on strike.

Sharp people get that way keeping their noses to the grindstone.

The best advice is always the kind people don't like.

Dancer

- 17 Pictured choreographer
13 Evades
14 Unstable
15 Low tide
16 Unoccupied
17 Handle
20 Vase
21 Severed
23 Brown
24 While
25 Laughter sound
26 Part of "be" (symbol)
29 Victim of leprosy
31 Observer
33 Scrap
34 Dove's call
35 Staff
37 Natural fat
40 Hebrew deity
41 Compass point
42 Concerning
43 Negative reply
44 Watering place
46 Wakens
51 Belongs to it
52 Prong
54 Pull
55 Give forth
56 Dinner course
58 Blind
60 Condescends
61 Soothe

Answer to Previous Puzzle
HORIZONTAL: 1 Horse color, 4 Tilt, 5 Hand (ab.), 6 Continent, 7 Mirth, 8 Sun god, 9 Camel's hair, 10 Suggest, 11 French region, 12 Inferior, 17 Doctor (ab.), 18 Lieutenant (ab.), 21 She recently married her, 22 They are egret, 25 Noted, 27 Elk, 30 Cuckoo, 31 Vessel, 32 Small child, 33 Defeated, 38 Very high, 39 Lure, 39 List, 45 Against, 47 Poems, 48 Abraham's home, 49 Samarium (symbol), 50 Female sheep (pl.), 51 Mohammedan chief, 53 Unit of energy, 55 Tree, 57 Half an em, 59 Nickel (symbol)

It Still Shines For Those Who Earnestly Seek It



WASHINGTON COLUMN

Hoover Group Wrestles With Problem Of Firing Employees

By PETER EDSON NEA Washington Correspondent
WASHINGTON—How to fire inefficient government employees easier is one of the personnel problems bothering ex-President Herbert Hoover's Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Federal Government.

So they say

If we are able, over the next decade, to punch a few holes in the dogma of inevitable conflict, we shall at least be on the road towards a permanent adjustment. We must achieve stability and at a high and rising level.

Questions and Answers

Q—Did Davy Crockett die defending the fort at Alamo?
A—Davy Crockett was one of six survivors who surrendered Alamo after long siege, all of whom were then shot down by Santa Ana's order.
Q—Who was the first president to broadcast over the radio?
A—President Warren G. Harding, who made a broadcast during the Summer of 1923.

Lubbock Lad Has Yule Party Friday

DALLAS—(P)—Christmas came a day early for seven-year-old Jerry Donelson.
The Lubbock lad, scheduled to undergo a brain operation, celebrated Friday in Baylor Hospital.

THE DOCTOR SAYS

Constant Worry About Health Can Aggravate Real Ailments

By EDWIN F. JORDAN, M. D.
Written for NEA Service
A great many people worry about themselves and their health much more than they should. This is an easy state to get into in these days when the newspapers and the radios are telling people about symptoms, the danger of neglecting them, and the many kinds of diseases which they might possibly have.

McKenney on Bridge

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY American's Card Authority Written for NEA Service

Please, Santa Claus, take a careful look in that bag of yours, and see if you have something special for Curt H. Reisinger, of New York City. Curt has been associated with me in the Children's Cancer Fund and served for a number of years as treasurer of War Orphans Scholarships, Inc.

Bridge hand diagram showing cards: ♠ 1087642, ♥ 4, ♦ A63, ♣ 9. Dealer: N, S, E, W. Reisinger: ♠ AKJ53, ♥ A9, ♦ A4, ♣ K83.

He believes that it pays to play the percentages in a bridge hand. That helped him to make the contract on today's hand. He admitted that the jump to six spades, over his partner's bid of four spades, was a little ambitious, but he likes to play slam contracts.

At this point, therefore, Curt cashed the ace of hearts and led the nine, which East won with the king. East now had to lead either a diamond or a heart, which let Curt discard his losing club in one hand and trump in the other.

WANTED!

Every youngster in Midland and vicinity 12 years old or younger to enter the BUGS BUNNY COLORING CONTEST. Get out your crayons or paints and be ready for six Bugs Bunny sketches.

Beware of Romance

By Roberta Courtland
THE OLD STORY: When sixteen-year-old Merry Carson learns that her dancing partner, Kim, has asked her to marry him, she is overjoyed.

DREW PEARSON ON THE WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

WASHINGTON—This columnist is paid chiefly by editors for keeping an eye on Washington skulking, interpreting the wiles, whims and wretchery of national bigwigs, and cooking an ear at closed-door meetings where the real policies of the nation are frequently decided.

When I read the newspaper headlines I sometimes feel that we have taken several steps backward from that historic day when the man came into the world who was to give his life for the cause of peace on earth, good will to men.

They are not content to leave the fate of their country in the hands of governments. They are not content with the cynical and the degenerate and the pessimists, this great urge exists. It is the brightest of all stars at this Christmas season. It is the healthiest of all movements to win the peace and make democracy live.

They want to do this not only here at home, between neighbors around the corner; but they want to do it abroad, between neighbors who speak foreign languages. Despite the cynics and the degenerate and the pessimists, this great urge exists. It is the brightest of all stars at this Christmas season.

It is the most lustrous light on the horizon of our Christmas season. (Copyright, 1948, By The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

Social Situations

SITUATION: You are a guest at a party that seems stiff and dull. WRONG WAY: Settle back, prepared to spend a boring evening. RIGHT WAY: Try to help the hostess out by telling an amusing story or two, or introducing a topic you think will be of general interest.

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Brinkopf Traded To Nashville Vols

MEMPHIS—(AP)—The Nashville Vols of the Southern Association announced Thursday that Roy Easterwood, catcher for the last two years, had been traded to Dallas of the Texas League for infielder Leon Brinkopf.

Brinkopf, 21, played third base with Odessa, of the Longhorn (Class D) League in 1948 and batted .333 in 127 games.

Belgium still has a wooden shoe industry, making them for local sales and for shipment to France and the Netherlands.

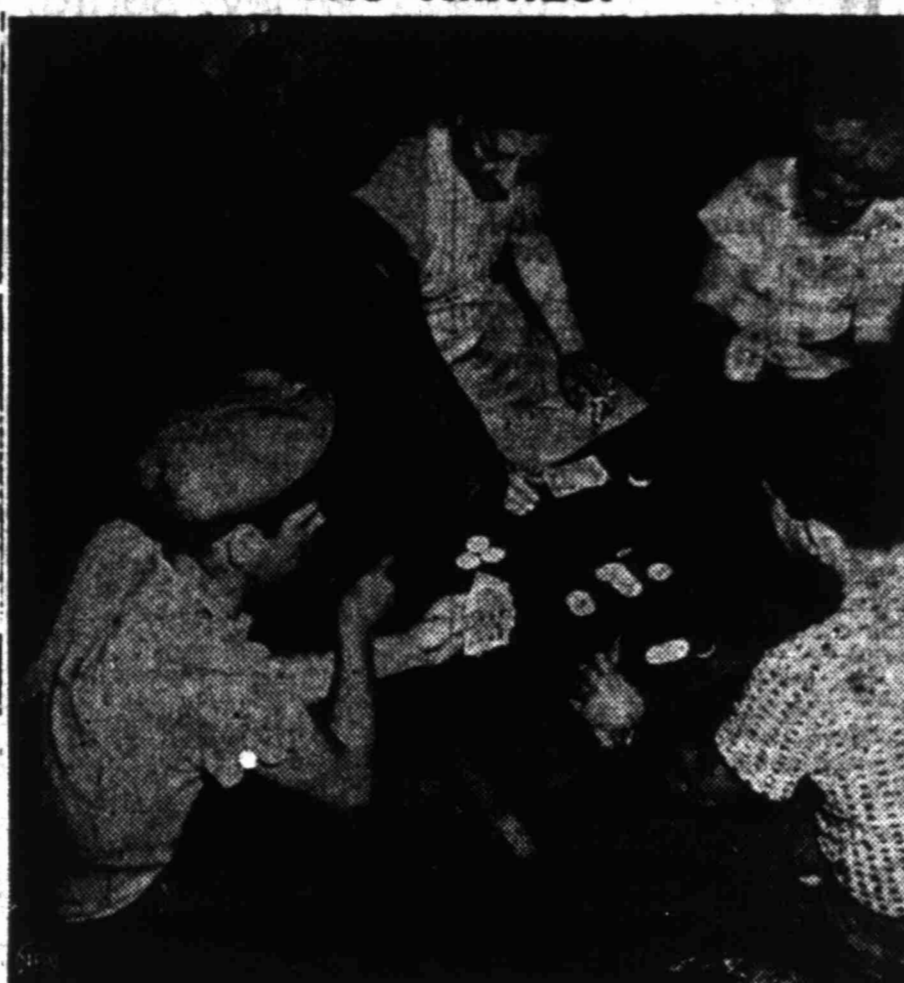
Christmas Eve Halts Sports Events

NEW YORK—(AP)—Amateur and professional sports pause Friday night for Christmas Eve. No major college basketball games are scheduled. Nor are there any games in organized pro and amateur hockey leagues and the two professional basketball leagues.

OIL GIVES CENT

Flower petals are coated with tiny globules of natural oils, differing in composition in each flower, and these give off the fragrant scent.

The Kibitzer



Stud Poker kibitzes as the stable boys play a game of closed poker in front of the handicap horse's stall at Hialeah Park. They didn't deal him in.

Sports

THE REPORTER-TELEGRAM, MIDLAND, TEXAS, DEC. 24, 1948—5

Schoolboy Finals Carded Saturday

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF
Associated Press Sports Editor

The schoolboy sports year reaches its close Saturday with the Class AA and Class A championships in football being determined on Fort Worth and Odessa fields.

Waco's Tigers, who have been in the finals more than any other school, are solid favorites to beat Amarillo for the AA crown at Texas Christian Stadium in Fort Worth.

Gil Dobie, Famed Grid Coach, Dies

HARTFORD, CONN.—(AP)—J. Gilmore (Gil) Dobie, 70, one of the nation's famed football coaches, died Thursday night at the Institute of Living.

Dobie had been a patient at the institute for several months. Cause of his death was not disclosed.

Dobie started his football career as a player at the University of Minnesota. When his playing days ended, he became a coach at the University of North Dakota.

He also coached teams at the University of Washington, the U. S. Naval Academy, Cornell and Boston College.

He ended his coaching career in 1938 at Boston College, where he was succeeded by Frank Leahy, now head coach at the University of Notre Dame.

Blue-Gray Battle Expected To Be Free-Scoring Tilt

MONTGOMERY, ALA.—(AP)—All-star teams from north and south of the Mason-Dixon Line wound up preparations Friday for Saturday's 11th annual game of the Blue-Gray football series.

The Yankees probably have an edge with their average 207-pound man line. On the other hand, the Rebels have more depth and possibly more talent in the backfield.

Sportswriters are predicting a free-scoring contest with both teams passing freely. The two squads worked on pass plays again Thursday.

STUDENT IS GUEST

Betty Jane Jenkins, senior student in the University of Texas, is here from Austin spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Jenkins, 604 East Broadway.

VISIT IN KANSAS

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Flewharty of Midland left Thursday night for a visit with her parents in Iola, Kan.

MAKES HOLIDAY TRIP

Mrs. Edelle Dally left Thursday evening to spend Christmas with her mother in Moline, Kansas.

PIONEER WOMAN DIES AT PECOS

PECOS—(AP)—Mrs. Shipton Parke, 75, died in a hospital here Thursday. She was the widow of a pioneer West Texas cattleman.

Funeral services were to be held at the Fort Stockton Presbyterian Church at 2 p. m. Friday.

It's Bread And Water For Loser In Annual North-South Contest

MIAMI, FLA.—(AP)—Between 35,000 and 40,000 football fans are expected to attend the Shrine's North-South All-Star charity game Saturday night in the Orange Bowl.

Both teams planned light drills Friday.

Herman Hickman of Yale, coach of the North's 25-man squad, warned his team:

"I want you boys to look sharp out there Christmas night. If we win we'll dine on steaks and beer. If we lose we'll eat bread and water."

"We're ready and in great shape," said Andy Gustafson, University of Miami, coach of the South team.

Both Hickman and Gustafson have promised a wide-open, free scoring game with plenty of passing.

Gustafson will utilize George Blanda of Kentucky for most of the passing assignments while Hickman is relying on Notre Dame's great Terry Brennan.

BETTER THAT WAY?

Painters sometimes work with the canvas upside-down, in order to concentrate on the abstract elements of a scene, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica.

Advertise or be forgotten.

Basketball Scores

By The Associated Press
Texas Tech 49, Southwestern Okla. Tech 35.
Oklahoma A&M 50, Arkansas 45.
West Texas State 66, Marshall (W. Va.) 47.
New Mexico 38, Oklahoma City U 36.
Arizona State (Flagstaff) 66, Sam Houston 40.

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Webb appreciates his Midland supporters. The fine backing of his championship ball club last season brought tears of joy and appreciation to his eyes Christmas from the Webbs to Midland.

So, it's Merry Christmas from the Webbs to Midland.

Waco's last week upset defeat hung on Port Arthur was not such a major surprise because upsets in the semi-finals of the state schoolboy race are not unusual. A check of the records will show most of the big upsets of the schoolboy campaign do come at that point of the race.

We don't know why it should be so, considering that twice as many games are played in the quarter-finals and twice as many again in the bi-district clashes. But that's the record.

Now let's look at it:
Last year (1947) the big upset of the race came in the semi-finals when the Highland Park Scotties beat the high-regarded Odessa Bronchos. The Bronchos in that game were four touchdowns favorites.

The semi-finals of 1946 and 1945 might have been true to form. But in 1944, San Angelo was favored to take the title in a repeat performance of the year before, but Highland Park upset the mighty Bobcats in the semi-finals.

Then there was the big upset of 1943 when Amarillo seemed due to win the crown after meeting Breckenridge in the finals. What happened? Austin ripped Breckenridge 28-0 and Sunset of Dallas was ahead of favored Amarillo when the sun set on playoff day.

Back in 1941 BOC (before City Conference), two of the larger cities had hopes of sending squads into the finals. Dallas had a good Sunset team and Houston had a fine Lamar entry. But the old semi-finals jinx got 'em. Wichita Falls beat Sunset and Temple took care of Lamar.

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7:15 THIS IS YOUR FBI
7:30 WILD CIRCUS
7:45 CHRISTMAS CAROLS
8:00 CHAMPION BOLL CALL
8:15 LETTERS FROM SANTA
8:30 MODERN CONCERT HALL
8:45 NEWS OF TOMORROW
9:00 HEADLINES
9:15 GEMS FOR THOUGHT
9:30 DANCE ORCHESTRA
9:45 NEWS-TEXAS
10:00 NIGHTMARE
10:15 NEWS
10:30 EIGHT OFF
TOMORROW
6:00 MUSICAL CLOCK
6:30 AAM FARM REVIEW
7:00 MARTIN AERONKY
7:15 WAKE UP AND LIVE
7:30 NEWS
7:45 MELODIC MOODS
8:00 SHOPPER'S SPECIAL
8:15 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
8:30 ACCENT ON MELODY
8:45 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
9:00 INTERNATIONAL SUN, SCHOOL
9:15 ABOUT COSTELLO
9:30 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
9:45 ROUNDUP HITS
10:00 JUNGLE JUNCTION
10:15 CHRISTIAN SCIENCE
10:30 MUSICAL SYSTEM
10:45 MUSICAL TIDBITS
11:00 NEWS
11:15 I WANT BE HOME FOR CHRISTMAS
11:30 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
11:45 TRIA
12:00 ANARILLO-WACO
12:15 TRIA
12:30 MATINEE MELODIES
12:45 RANDALL RAY
1:00 SPEAKING OF SONGS
1:15 HARRY WISNER
1:30 GEMS OF MUSIC
1:45 TREASURE HUNT SHOP
2:00 BERT ANDREWS
2:15 MUSIC END OF CHRISTMAS
2:30 STARRING KAYE STAN
2:45 FAMOUS JURY TRIALS
3:00 GANGBUSTERS
3:15 ANAGING MI MALONE
3:30 MUSICAL ETCHINGS
3:45 VFW DANCE
4:00 NEWS OF TOMORROW
4:15 SPOTLIGHT ON SPORTS
4:30 DANCE ORCHESTRA
4:45 NEWS
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5:15 NEWS
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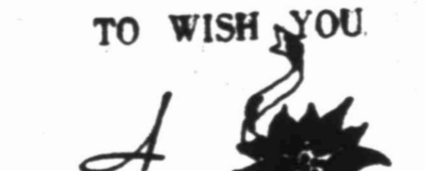
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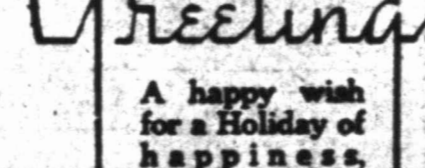
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JESTER SENDS TEXANS CHRISTMAS GREETINGS
AUSTIN—(P)—For the people of Texas Gov. Beauford H. Jester sends this Christmas greeting: "May the light of His star shine upon you and bring you happiness at Christmas and in the coming year."

BABY DIES AFTER NIBBLING RAT POISON
DALLAS—(P)—The baby son of blind parents died Thursday after nibbling rat poison. While his mother, Mrs. J. A. Richardson, decorated a Christmas tree and two brothers hunted a cookie jar, fourteen-month-old David Richardson tasted the poison. He died in a hospital.

Texan Has Answer To Tidelands Suit

WACO—(P)—Rep. W. R. Poage (D-Texas) said if the government doesn't stop trying to take away Texas tidelands, Texas will ask return of parts of New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming and Montana. The governors of Wyoming, Montana, and Colorado took a dim view of Rep. Poage's idea. Poage based his reasoning on his interpretation of Texas' annexation treaty with the U. S. When Texas came into the union, in 1845, she claimed territory that now is a part of those other states, Poage pointed out. He said in an 1850 compromise, Texas accepted \$10,000,000 from the U. S. government in settlement of its claims to all land north and west of the present boundary lines of the Trans-Pecos and the Panhandle. Texas thus relinquished claims to half of New Mexico and parts of Colorado, Wyoming and Montana. Texans claim the annexation agreement with the U. S. specifically includes an agreement that Texas should retain control of her tidelands. "Now the government is arguing that such guaranteeing of the titles to Texas was unwise and should be rescinded," Poage said. "If that is true, then any country lawyer knows that if one party refuses to follow an agreement, the other party is relieved of any obligation. That means that Texas, under the government's reasoning, has a valid right to reclaim all the land in the other states that she gave up her claim to. I realize that if Texas should come up with a legal claim to the land now a part of the other states, it would result in a terrible confusion. But it's the government which is bringing up the possibility, not Texas."

"OLD MAN OF MOUNTAINS"
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Dear Santa: I want a bride doll and a doll house and some furniture and a suitcase.
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Christmas Comes To Jailbirds, Too

ABILENE — (P)— Christmas came early for inmates of the city jail. Judge A. K. Doss ordered doors opened Thursday so the inmates could be free for the holidays. He marked off the balance due on fines of those in the jail and suspended all fines levied Thursday and Friday for those unable to pay.

Airlift Crews To Get Turkey Dinner Between Flights

BERLIN —(P)— Americans flying the airlift will get turkey and all the trimmings Christmas Day, but they'll have to grab it between flights to this blockaded city. Round-the-clock flights are scheduled for operation vitlines on December 25, U. S. Air Force officials said. Berlin's aerial lifeline to the West, hard hit by fogs during most of November, can't shut down for holidays, Air Force officials pointed out. But a sumptuous meal will be awaiting American officers and enlisted men as they pull their lumbering C-54s into Wiesbaden, Rhein-Main, Tegel, Gatow Celler and Fassberg airports. British airlift crews at Fassberg will eat Christmas dinner with the Americans. The folks at home haven't forgotten the vittles crews, either. Air Force officials estimate they've received 80,000 Christmas cards from friends and relatives. What do they think of working all day Christmas? Capt. Norman Dixon of Houston, Texas, says he doesn't mind flying "because my family isn't here."

White's Employees Get Bonus Checks

Christmas bonus checks totaling \$21,850.28 brought an extra measure of holiday good cheer to 490 employees of White's Auto Stores when the company's gifts were distributed recently to White's personnel in the Wichita Falls general offices and warehouses and in the stores throughout Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico, including Midland. The bonus gift to each employee was presented on a specially printed check bearing the traditional legend "Merry Christmas," appropriately in Old English lettering and in the Christmas colors of red and green. Distribution was on the basis of employment and length of service with the company. Regular store employees and all office and warehouse personnel who had been with the company six months or more received a check equivalent to one week's pay. Those who had been with the company less than six months each received a gift check for an equal amount. All furniture department salesmen in the company's various retail stores, received a fixed-sum bonus check. All salaried employees at the company's general offices and all store managers in each of White's 26 company-owned stores received Christmas checks equivalent to one-half month's salary.

Old-Timers Receive Hopeful Greeting

SAN FRANCISCO—(P)—A large department store here sent out Christmas greeting letters to its personnel, one for regular employees and the other for temporary holiday workers. The latter letter expressed appreciation for "your help during the rush" and wound up with "Maybe we'll need you next year." The old-timers got the wrong letters. THREE TU REGENTS TO BE REAPPOINTED
AUSTIN —(P)— Reappointment for three members of the University of Texas Board of Regents has been promised by Gov. Beauford H. Jester. The governor said Thursday he will rename to the board when their terms expire January 10, Dudley K. Woodward of Dallas, David M. Warren of Panhandle and Mrs. Margaret Batts Tobin of San Antonio.

San Antonio 'Rose' Actually Is Ofelia

SAN ANTONIO —(P)— San Antonio's "Rose of the River" baby is going to be named Ofelia—by the mother who said she did not intend to give up her baby for good. Deputy Sheriffs Arthur Villareal and Bob Beckman unfolded the strange story of the newborn baby, allegedly found Wednesday on the banks of the San Antonio River by a 23-year-old girl. The two officers said the girl had admitted giving birth to the baby. They said she told them her story of finding the child was a ruse. She told them she hoped to have the child cared for until she could provide a home. Almost 13,000,000 people live in the New York metropolitan area, at least three million more than live in Greater London.

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GALVESTON COPS GET CHRISTMAS SPIRIT
GALVESTON—(P)—The Christmas spirit is wonderful. Motorists in Galveston who over-parked Thursday found these tags on their automobiles: "Season greetings. The patrolman on this beat notes that you violated the parking meter ordinance. 'E' not work about it. 'W' wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year." The tag was signed by Fire and Police Commissioner Walter L. Johnston and Chief of Police Conway Shannon.

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Lost—One Old-Fashioned Christmas

NEW YORK—(AP)—"Lost, strayed or stolen—one good old-fashioned Christmas. Pinder please return."

Crane Mail Heavier This Christmas

CRANE—The Christmas mail is definitely heavier than that of last year according to Postmaster J. T. Butler.

Year 1948 Not So Good In Retrospect But Maybe 1949 Will Be A Bit Better

By CYNTHIA LOWRY AP Newsfeatures Writer NEW YORK—Oh, it wasn't such a bad year after all...

LETTERS from SANTA

The North Pole Dear Children, This is the Day Before Christmas. Already Mother Claus and all the elves are looking forward to our own celebration here in Santa Claus Land.

whose favorite is Oark pudding, made with corn meal. It was the year a couple of important male socialites proved...

It Took A Long Time To Fatten Santa Claus



Fat and jolly is the way everybody thinks of Santa today. But it wasn't always so.



Even though the sentiment rivals 1948 teen age talk, who'd recognize this 1880 Santa?

Advertisement for Burton-Lingo Co. featuring a winter scene with a horse-drawn sleigh and the text 'SINCERE Christmas Greetings' and 'BURTON-LINGO CO.'

What ever happened to that old-fashioned Christmas? I was talking to a friend about it the other day, and he said: "I paid \$5 for a Christmas tree this year, and the tinsel garbage we bought to throw on it cost me more than my father earned the week he married my mother."

Reserve Commissions Are Available To Doctors And Dentists

AUSTIN—Reserve commissions now are available for young doctors and dentists, subject to the draft, if they volunteer for these commissions and are placed on active duty before being inducted under the Selective Service act.

Crane News

CRANE—Mrs. John North's parents, the Taylors of Ranger, will be Christmas guests at the Phillips Camp and are due to arrive Saturday morning.

KANSAS CITY, Kans.—(NEA)—Nowadays, to picture Santa Claus as anything but huge, pink and happy would start a major uprising, Miss Lee says.

Want to make it a real old-fashioned Christmas when you play Santa for Junior this year? All you have to do is go on a diet—or leave the pillows out when you put on the red suit.

Advertisement for Garrett's Distinctive Foods featuring a candle and the text 'SEASON'S Greetings' and 'Garrett's DISTINCTIVE FOODS'.

Large advertisement for Fashion Cleaners No. 1 and No. 2, featuring a winter scene and the text 'Season's Greetings' and 'FASHION CLEANERS No. 1 and No. 2'.

Advertisement for Midland Cleaners featuring a gift box and the text 'May Christmas' and 'MIDLAND CLEANERS'.

Advertisement for Ever Ready Service Station featuring a Christmas tree and the text 'MERRY CHRISTMAS' and 'EVER READY SERVICE STATION'.

FRANKFURT, GERMANY—(AP)—After three years of re-education and de-militarization, people in Frankfurt were astounded when they read the following announcement in the local "Neue Presse": "Foreigner wants to buy uniform with breastplate and helmet for seven-year-old boy."

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Breaking Code One Of War's Most Scientific Operations

By CLARKE BEACH
WASHINGTON—(AP)—Government cryptographers got a bad jolt when they learned that decoded messages had been taken from the State Department files in 1937 and 1938 for delivery to Russian agents. The microfilmed documents which Whitaker Chambers hid in a pumpkin on his Maryland farm and then turned over to the House Un-American Activities Committee might have furnished priceless clues to foreign code experts.

Coded messages sent by radio or cable are easily intercepted by interested governments. If they can get possession of the same messages decoded, they can go a long way toward breaking an entire code system. One or even several messages might not do it. A great many must usually be obtained and over a long period of time. For codes are frequently alternated—hourly, daily, monthly or yearly.

But any decoded message might fill in the final gap in a code-breaking job which might have been going on for years. Breaking American codes would have been much easier before the war than now. Early in the war the State Department and armed services began to make a wide spread use of code machines. With these a great many more code systems can be employed, and they can be changed more frequently.

Age-Old War
Code making and code breaking is an age-old war between cryptographers and cryptanalysts. The former devise the codes, and the latter try to break them. American cryptanalysts achieved a gigantic victory when they broke the Japanese and German Codes before the last war. What they had done was revealed in the Congressional Pearl Harbor investigation in 1945.

After years of arduous effort they devised a machine which decoded messages that might have been lost for the Japanese. Next to the atomic bomb project it was perhaps the most secret operation of the war. With the machine our government learned of Japanese preparations for the attack on Pearl Harbor and facts about Jap naval activities which led to our victories in the Coral Sea and at Midway. It directed U. S. subs in attacks on Jap convoys. It revealed the messages from the Japanese Ambassador in Berlin, sometimes telling what Hitler had said of his war plans.

The Japanese didn't change their code all during the war. It would have been difficult for them to do so because of the complexity of their language. Whatever might have been learned of the American codes through the Chambers documents would have been a limited time, since even then we changed our code system at intervals.

Nips Zips Slips



Ever had a stuck slide-fastener? Then you know that there are a few machine-made troubles quite as annoying. Sympathize with Barbara Nichols, whose slide-fastener was stuck. To the rescue comes Robert S. Greenfield, of Chicago, demonstrating his zip repair kit. Greenfield says it will fix any stuck slide, regardless of size, in a minute and a half. The demonstration took place in New York.

POST OFFICE OFFERS CHRISTMAS CURB SERVICE
SPRINGFIELD, ILL.—(AP)—Curb service for motorists in the Christmas mail rush has been tried out by Springfield postal authorities and apparently was a great hit. An employe of the Central Post Office stood at the curb and motorists driving past handed him batches of letters after slowing their cars.

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WHETHER there will ever come in our lifetime a reign of peace and good will toward men all over the world, man can neither foresee nor foretell. But he can trust; he can have faith that a Divine Providence in His great wisdom, and in His own good time, will bring that condition about.
But despite the uncertainties of life, and despite the turmoil, the terror and the sufferings which beset such a vast proportion of the world's people, those who are fortunate enough to live in America have been richly blessed.
In this beloved land of ours we have been blessed with the greatest volume and variety of the good things of life mankind has ever known; here the dignity and worth of every individual soul is recognized; here we enjoy the great blessings of personal freedom.
Let us give thanks this Christmas season for these precious privileges; let us try to understand better the system of government which has nurtured these privileges and blessings; and then let each of us do our individual part to help preserve and protect that government from those who would destroy it.
It is my earnest and sincere wish that you will have a joyous Christmas holiday and that, in the years to come, you and yours will be blessed with good health and happiness.
W. G. Vollmer
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LONDON—(AP)—Britain's skimpy soap ration will be increased by one-sixth after January 30. Improved supplies of fats and oils from Africa are responsible. Each consumer now is rationed to 18 ounces of toilet soap or 24 ounces of hard soap every eight weeks.

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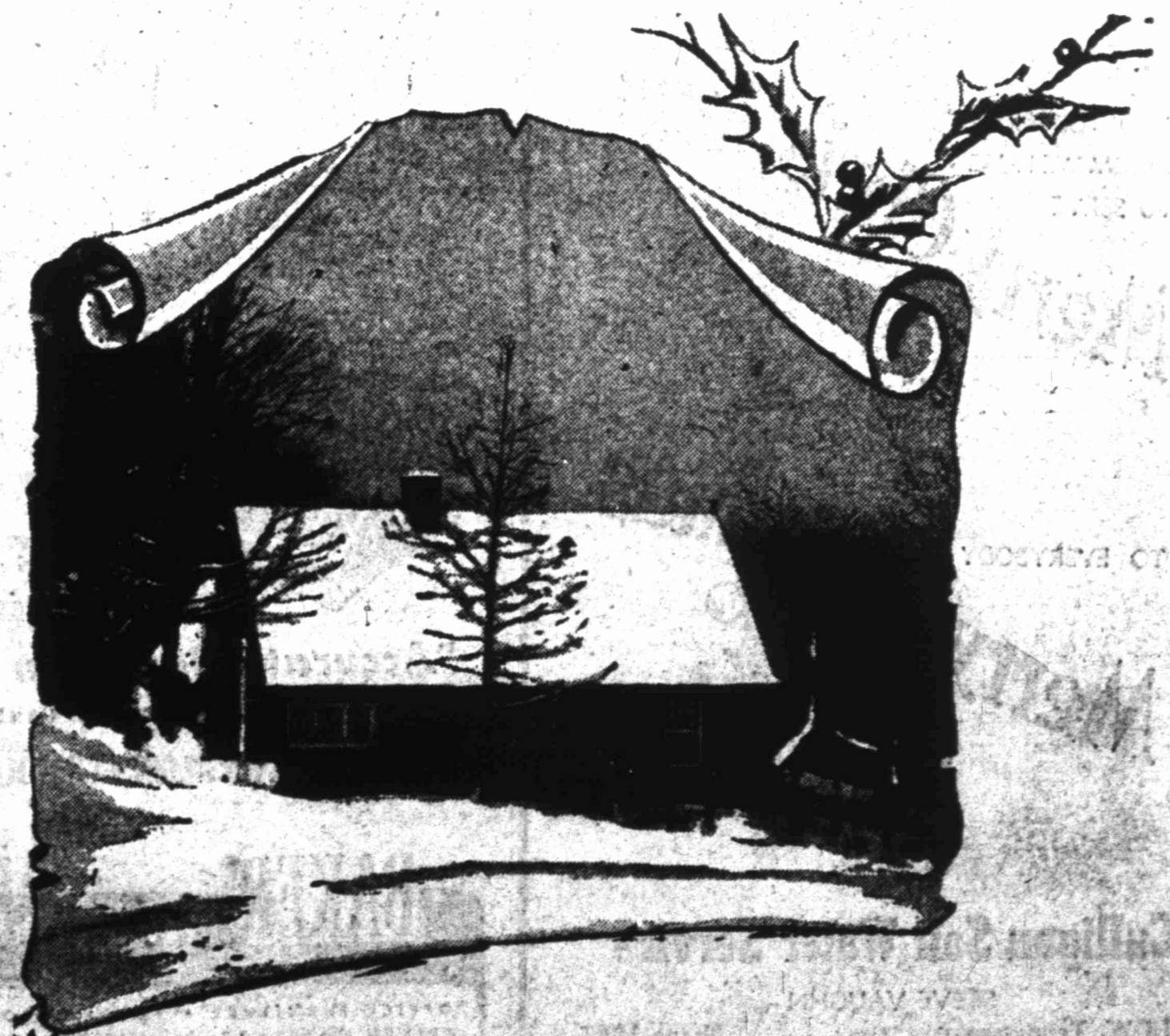
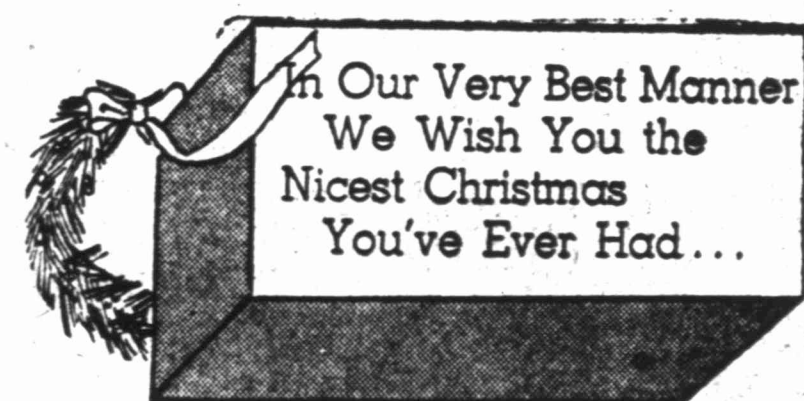
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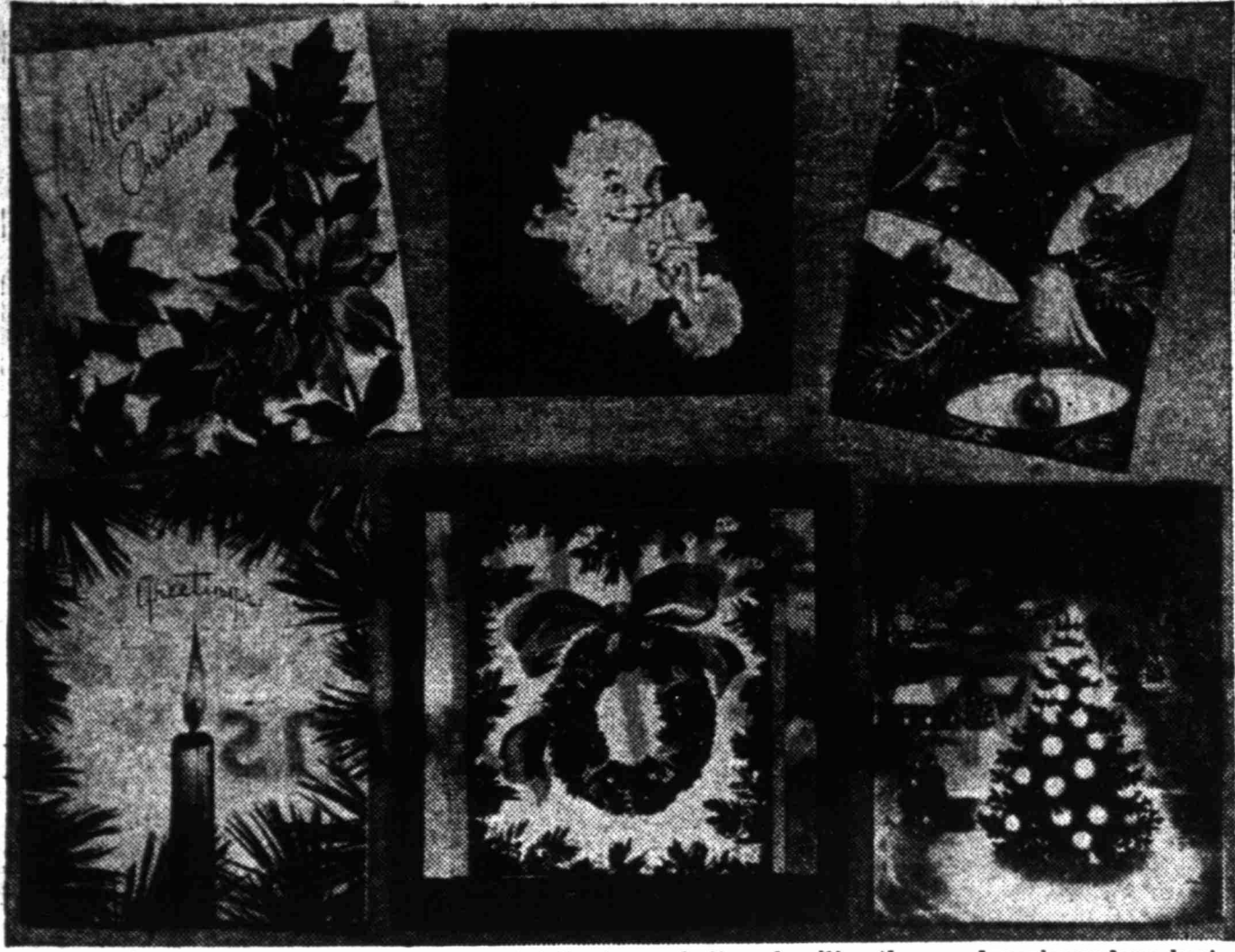
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Gay Christmas Cards Set Holiday Mood



It's time for Christmas greetings! A jovial Santa symbolizes familiar themes Americans love best.

The joys of a traditional Yuletide sparkle on 1948's gay new Christmas cards. Modern design lends freshness and a delightful originality to the familiar themes—cheery poinsettias and holly wreaths, gleaming candles and a festive Christmas tree, and reverent church bells pealing out the glad tidings. Santa sets the Yule fashion note with red plush boots, a beard of wispy white feathers, and an impish grin. And all the women on

the cards have the long-skirted "New Look" of long ago, enhancing the nostalgic appeal of the greetings. More religious Christmas cards are available than in previous years. The gentle Madonnas and Nativity scenes are especially appealing. Whimsical little angels are making merry on the cards, too, stringing lights on celestial Christmas trees and sliding down a crescent moon. On one cloud, an angelic Scotch lassie with plaid wings is

busily knitting a pair of colorful ski socks. There's a wide variety of "special title" Christmas cards addressed specifically to friends and loved ones who rate special remembrances. Heavy ribbons, gleaming ornamentation, and delicate art-work put many of these in the "deluxe" class. It's estimated that 1,500,000,000 Christmas cards will be exchanged in the U. S. this season, equalling last year's all-time record.

Backlog Of Records Puts Large Supply On Holiday Market

By W. G. ROGERS
Associated Press Arts Reporter

It's a record record season. Though for well over a year the companies and Petrillo and his AFM haven't been able to get together to make new recordings, the backlog has kept the business rolling right up to a heavy schedule of holiday releases. The lists may seem loaded with operatic numbers, but that is because November is traditionally opera month; the really noteworthy, and newsworthy, characteristic of the late-year releases is the unusual preponderance of French works... to parallel the large number of French artists as well as works heard in New York halls this Fall. Straight from France come recordings of Ravel's "L'Enfant et les Sortilèges," Saint-Saens' "Samson and Delilah," Sayao and Nadell are the voices in Debussy's "La Damoiselle Elue," with Ormandy and the Philadelphia Orchestra. "Concerto No. 2 in G minor," with pianist Benno Moisewitsch and Basil Cameron conducting the Philharmonic orchestra; Poulenc's "Prestige" and Debussy's "Serenade for the Doll," played by Horowitz, and Massenet and Gounod singles.

To all these Columbia issues are to be added RCA Victor recordings of Poulenc's Concerto in D minor, with duo-pianists Whittemore and Lowe, conductor; Mitropoulos and the RCA Victor orchestra; Saint-Saens' Concerto No. 2 in G minor, with pianist Benno Moisewitsch and Basil Cameron conducting the Philharmonic orchestra; Poulenc's "Prestige" and Debussy's "Serenade for the Doll," played by Horowitz, and Massenet and Gounod singles.

If you're interested in the new regardless of the nationality, pianist Byron Janis, tenor Giuseppe de Stefano and "the voice of Denmark," Aksel Schlotz, make their American record debuts under RCA Victor sponsorship; and there are first recordings, again from Victor, of "Four Saints in Three Acts" by Stein and Thomson, and from Columbia, Menotti's "The Medium" and "The Telephone" and David Diamond's "Romeo and Juliet" music and a Mozart three-piano concerto as the first offerings of the Little Orchestra society, Thomas K. Scherman conducting.

Entire Symphony For the gramophone enthusiast, the year's biggest event was Columbia's long-playing microgroove records. By cutting the speed of the turntable and narrowing the sound track, Columbia gets an entire symphony on one record. The Brahms Second and Third, for instance, each in an old-style album of four large records apiece, are now on one new-style disk apiece, and "La Boheme," which used to occupy two fat albums, boxed, on your shelves, is now available in its entirety on two records. They are unbreakable vinylite.

Auction bridge originally was designed for three players, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica.



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McCamey Boy Is Feted On Birthday

MCCAMEY — Tommy Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Williams, was honored by his mother in their home on his first birthday Sunday afternoon.

The holiday motif was employed in decorating. Games were played and prizes awarded, then gifts were opened, just preceding the cutting of the cake, which was served with hot cocoa. Bags of Santa Claus candies were prizes and Christmas candies were favors.

Enjoying the event were Ronnie Buford, Cynthia, Kenneth and Le-Nell Vand Zant, Anita Gray, Mona Gean Keffer, W. M. "Stuff" Moore, Frank Helm, Brenda Boggs and Tommy.

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★ IN HOLLYWOOD ★

Wheel Of Fortune Spins, And Up Comes Gail Robbins, Again

By ERSKINE JOHNSON
NEA Staff Correspondent
HOLLYWOOD—Round and round goes the wheel of fortune and where it stops nobody knows—particularly in Hollywood. Five years ago Gail Robbins was under contract to 20th Century-Fox and the studio let her go in favor of Martha Stewart. Other day Martha Stewart was dropped by Fox because she didn't like her role in "Oh, You Beautiful Doll." So the studio looked around for someone to replace her and finally came up with a girl they firmly believe will become a top star. Her name is Gail Robbins.

Today's nomination for genius rating: That executive who changed the title of "Station West." It was filmed under the title, "Stations West." Guess they "an out of stations."

Smart fellows, these press agents. The UI publicity department has invited everyone in the U. S. named Kettle to attend the premiere of "Ma and Pa Kettle" for free when it opens around the country in the Spring.

The stunt was approved only after the telephone company came up with the information that there are less than 100 persons named Kettle in the country.

"Eagles" Too High
John Wayne's next for Republic will be a high-budget epic, "Eagles in Exile." The film has been postponed several times because of proxy Herb Yates, who shivers every time he thinks of the money involved.

Fred Allen will spend his Summer radio hiatus writing his autobiography . . . I wonder if he'll admit that he was born with a nasal twang where his nose should have been? . . . Since Jack Benny, Danny Kaye and Betty Hutton clicked so big at the London Palladium, the rush is on among oth-

ers and an endless stream of American names is flooding the British music halls. All of which caused Lynn Giffham to remark: "Vaudeville is dead, it's just that in England they don't know it yet."

John Garfield is in New York now that all of "Force of Evil" is shot. A great deal of the unused footage shot in New York is being put together for a short documentary on the big city.

"Sno Fair"
Hollywood is still snickering over those two great screen stars with the giant brains. They were supposed to appear on a quiz show which matches kids against their parents, but the famous mamas insisted on being given the answers before they would match wits with their offspring, aged 8 and 11!

"The Kate Smith Story" is just about buttoned up as a movie. The producers are now looking for a feminine Larry Parks because Kate, of course, just won't fit on the standard 35-mm. movie film.

M-G-M is talking to the Theater Guild again about the film rights to "Oklahoma." The Guild had M-G-M once before . . . "Man o' War," story of the great race horse, goes before the cameras in Lexington, Ky., next June. Sixty per cent of the picture will be filmed there.

Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy are still a team but they won't have to carry the whole picture. They'll be just a couple of other stars in Glenn McCarthy's "You Can't Do That."

They were discussing the threat of television in the Columbia executive dining room. Somebody mentioned that 50 English pictures had been sold to American television networks.

"Well," quipped producer Alex Gottlieb, "maybe they'll look better on television."

New Stars Shine During 1948 In Broadway Firmament

By GEORGE TUCKER
AP Newsfeatures Writer

NEW YORK—The theatrical season of 1948 may not be remembered as one of the best, but it did produce at least three young actresses who rose from obscurity to rare personal triumph on Broadway.

They came from such widely separated places as a Welsh mining town, a Kansas farm and a suburban Canadian home. And they had this in common — they distinguished themselves in productions that were largely kissed off as sub-par by the critics.

Without the sensitive performance of Margaret Phillips as Alma Winemiller, a Southern girl whose moral scruples slowly wash away, like whitewash in the rain, "Summer and Smoke" by Tennessee Williams could not have lifted its head so high.

Irish Atom
The bouncing antics of Mary McCarty, an Irish atom of prettiness, are largely responsible for the well-being of the revue "Small Wonder."

Allyn McLerie emerged as a real personality from "Where's Charley," a musical that already had the dancer Ray Bolger as its star. This was like being on the same team with Babe Ruth.

Margaret Phillips, 24, came from Cwmgrach, Wales — which means valley of the witch — with her mother on a visit in the late thirties. Trapped by the war, she went to school in the Bronx, then tried the theater and after grueling experience in bits here and there came up with her first name part on Broadway.

She has never missed a performance in any production she has been in, which is tough on her understudy, Leslie Paul, who has dubbed her "The Iron Butterfly."

Texasans have rarely had to take the sort of spoofing that Mary McCarty subjects them to. "We owe it all to something in the soil," cries Mary in "Small Wonder" . . . "Oil, oil, oil!" Satirical skits on Hollywood, historical novels and other facts of life are targets to her sulphurous balancing and brassy jingling.

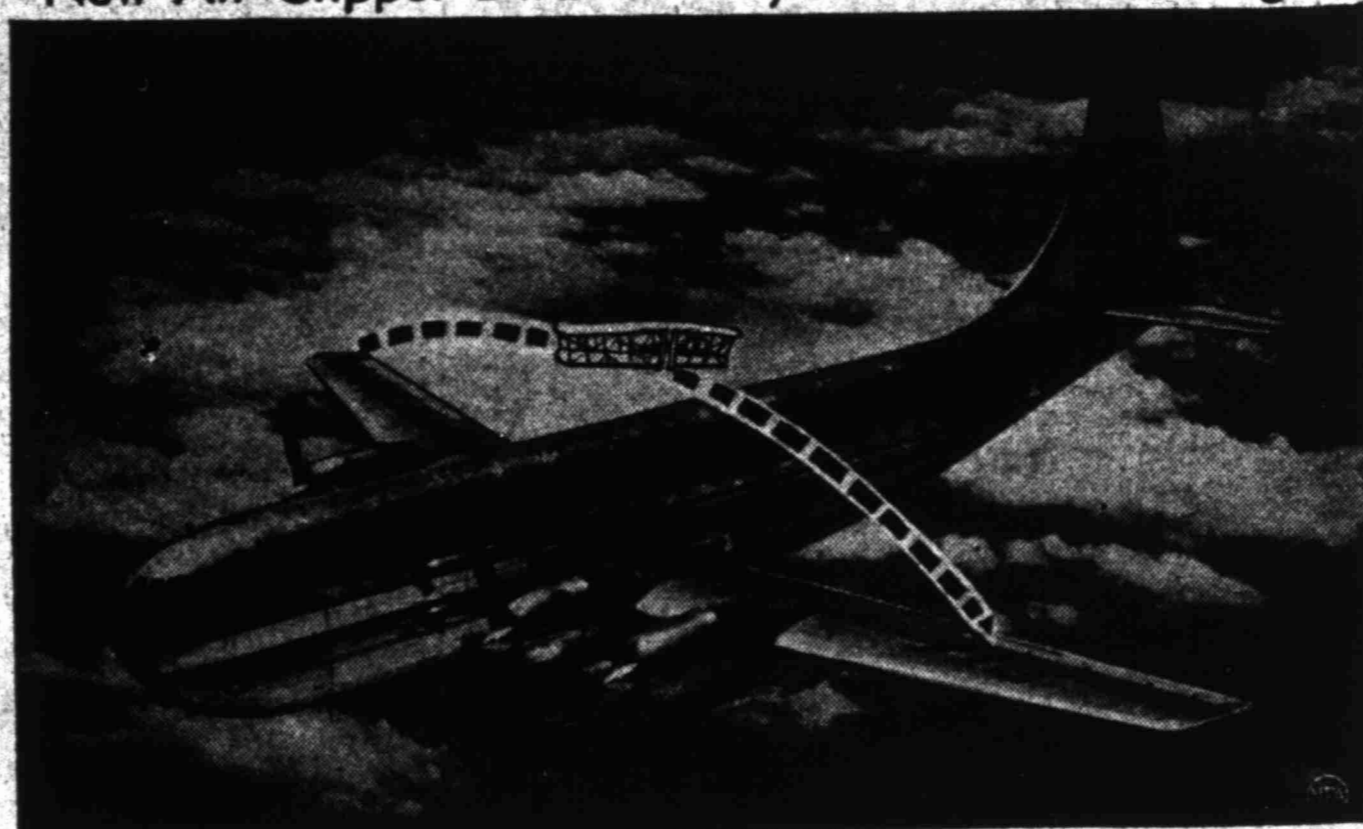
A veteran of class "C" movies, she came to New York, supported herself on jobs in nightclubs until she finally got a break in "Sleepy Hollow," which died quickly. Then came her chance in "Small Wonder." Mary was born on a Kansas farm. She is 25.

Allyn McLerie, whose beautiful legs and bright dancing are excellent contrasts to Ray Bolger in "Where's Charley?" has studied ballet since she was eleven.

Anonymous Figure
Four years ago she was an anonymous figure in the chorus of "On the Town." When its star left the cast she was singled out to replace her by Adolph Green, its author. They were eventually married, and live in an apartment in 57th street. Miss McLerie, now 31, was born in Canada but doesn't remember much about it. "I moved to Brooklyn at the age of four months," she said. "I'm keeping up with my ballet dancing too," she added.

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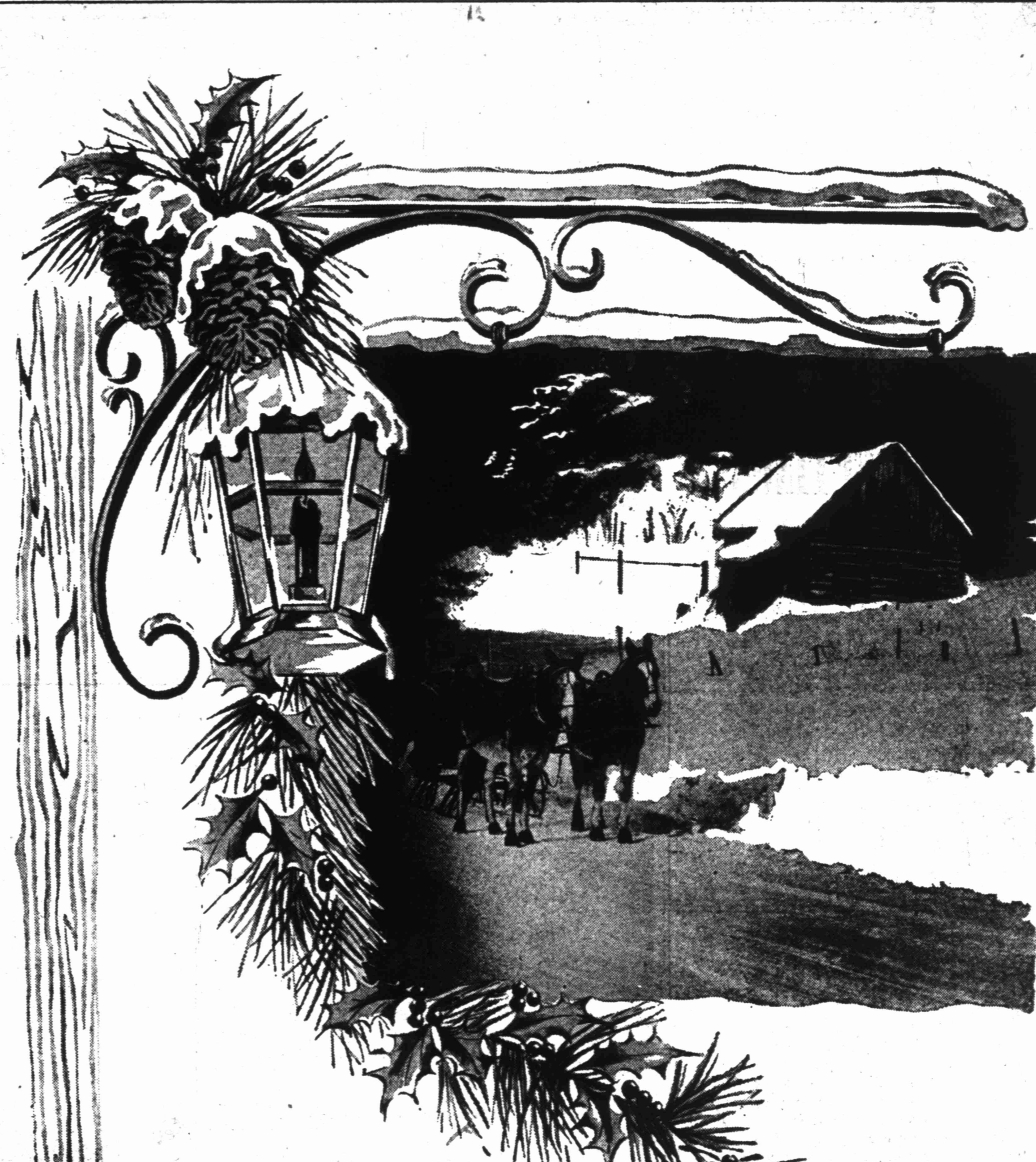
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Albany Merchant May Have Sent First Christmas Card

Who really sent the first Christmas card—and when—is a historic controversy that never has been settled.

The chief contenders for the honor are an obscure 16-year-old engraver's apprentice in London, a famous British lord, and a dry-goods merchant in Albany, N. Y.

The historic first Yuletide card probably was designed in the 1840's, about the time the U. S. government issued its first postage stamp and Charles Dickens' famous novels were teaching England "how to keep Christmas well."

The merchant was R. H. Pease, who operated a dry-goods store in Albany from 1824 to 1856. Sometime during that period, he commissioned an artist named Forbes to draw the Christmas card that was certainly the first in America, and perhaps the first in the world.

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Unfortunately, Forbes put no date on the card. Greeting card publishers—who would like to claim world-wide honors for the U. S.—are still searching attics and old trunks in up-State New York for evidence that finally will settle the mystery.

The official title-holder is William Maw Egley, who was only 16 when he designed his Christmas card in a London garret in 1842 and printed 100 copies for his friends. Typically English, the card pictures the Christmas pantomime "Harlequin and Columbine," a puppet booth, skaters outdoors, and a formal banquet.

Because the date on the card is slightly obscured, some historians contend it might have been 1848 and award the honor to an elaborate Christmas greeting card designed in London in 1846 for Sir Henry Cole, who had 1,000 copies engraved for his personal use.

Export Business
Curiously, Christmas cards did not win popular acceptance in England until the 1860's. The first complete line of Christmas cards in the U. S. was printed in Boston in 1874 by Louis Prang, a German immigrant who later became known as "Father of the American Christmas Card."

Within a few years, Prang's silk fringed cards were being acclaimed as the most beautiful in the world, and he was actually exporting cards to England for sale there.

With Tough Winter Ahead, Germans Hoard Precious Fuel

Last Winter was one of Germany's worst—and the outlook for the months ahead promises little better. Berliners Alfred von Schmude, his wife and two children, represent a typical western sector family as they make the most of what little fuel and light is available. Coal supply is largely dependent on the Anglo-American airlift and the coal shortage controls the amount of electricity available for power and light. Every Sunday the family goes into Grunewald forest to gather wood—to be stored against future freezing weather. Von Schmude is a construction worker, getting 200 marks a month—about \$46 at the legal rate of exchange. To help make ends meet, they rent out one of their three rooms for 30 marks a month. Frau von Schmude occasionally ventures into the Russian sector to buy black market coal, but despite hardships, Alfred and his clan are very glad they live in the western sector of Russian-blockaded Berlin. These pictures, taken by NEA-Acme correspondent Joe Schuppe, show how German families live under strict fuel and power rationing.



The prewar Sunday stroll in the park becomes a grim foraging expedition to gather wood for blizzard-weather fuel.



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For the fourth year, Young appeared at the animal shelter Thursday to give away dogs to youngsters. He paid the pound and license fees. He has given away 300 dogs in previous years and says it is a good way to combat juvenile delinquency.

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The Legend Of The Poinsettia

IN MEXICO, on a certain Christmas Eve many years ago, little Rosita was on her way to church for the service to honor the Christ child. Other boys and girls of the town walked along with nimble steps and smiling faces; but Rosita was sad and she could hardly drag her feet along for she had no gift to lay at the foot of the altar for the Holy Child.

Suddenly she remembered that she had not prayed to the Lord for help in her trouble. So she knelt down on the cold ground, closed her tear-filled eyes, and offered her prayer. Hardly had she finished and opened her eyes, when there before her a beautiful plant was springing up from the ground, with bright red leaves like a gorgeous flower. Her prayer had been heard. Here was her gift. She quickly gathered the flame-colored flowers and with a light heart she hurried into the Church and placed them as her present to the Christ child at the foot of the altar. It was the Poinsettia—the Flower of the Holy Night!

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Oil Play Continues At Swift Pace In Midland Territory

Oil play in the Midland territory kept up the swift pace set two weeks ago when a record-breaking number of new locations were filed with the oil and gas division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Over the past seven days, the commission listed a total of 59 applications to drill in the area. Of this number, eight were wildcats and four were applications amended for deepening or other purposes.

Estor County showed the most activity with 11 new locations, one a wildcat. An additional form listed for the county was amended.

Drill sites were staked for two wildcats in booming Andrews County, along with five locations for inside projects. Hookley County reported eight new explorations, all field wells.

In Crane County, three inside locations and a wildcat were staked. Howard County reported the same.

Pecos County, usually quite active, showed only one field project, one wildcat, and three amended applications for deepening wildcats.

Scurry County gained an outside prospector, as did Yoakum County. Yoakum also listed a field well. The remaining locations were for exploration in proven territory.

Cochran County took four of these and two apiece went to Gaines, King and Reeves County. The rest were staked one each in Borden, Dawson, Garza, Mitchell, Ward and Winkler Counties.

ANDREWS COUNTY
Fuhman No. 4-A W. H. Boner, 440 feet from south and 2,203.1 feet from west lines of section 24, block A-43, pal survey, rotary, 4,800 feet depth, Fuhman - Mascho field starting immediately.
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Frank and George Frankel No. 1-104 University, 680 feet from north and east lines of section 14, block 9, University survey, rotary, 1,500 feet depth, wildcat, eight miles southwest of Andrews, starting at once.

Pure No. 21-De-A E. F. Cowden, 1,877 feet from west and 787 feet from north lines of section 24, block A-42, pal survey, rotary, 8,500 feet depth, Dollarfield field, starting immediately.

Shell & Superior No. 10 Lockhart, 1,832 feet from west and 1,985 feet from north lines of section 22, block A-41, pal survey, rotary, 8,325 feet depth, Martin-McKee field, starting at once.

J. C. Barnes No. 1 Munger, 660 feet from south and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 1, block A-41, pal survey, rotary, 5,000 feet depth, wildcat, 11 miles northwest of Gal, starting immediately. (Changed location).

Shell & Superior No. 7 Lockhart, 882 feet from north and 1,612 feet from west lines of section 22, block A-41, pal survey, rotary, 8,960 feet depth, Martin - Ellenburger field, starting immediately.

BORDEN COUNTY
Amended: H. L. Hunt No. 2 Clayton & Johnson, 660 feet from north and west lines of northeast quarter of section 22, block 31, T&P survey, rotary, 8,000 feet depth, wildcat, 11 miles northwest of Gal, starting immediately. (Changed location).

COCHRAN COUNTY
R. A. King & Sons (Midland) No. 1 D. S. Wright, 440 feet from west and north lines of labor 7, league 81, Martin CSL survey, rotary, 5,000 feet depth, Levelland field, starting at once.

ECTOR COUNTY
Amara No. 1-F TXL, 668 feet from south and 1,988 feet from east lines of section 5, block 43, T&P survey, rotary, 4,300 feet depth, South Cowden field (wildcat), six miles east of Penwell, starting immediately.

Gulf No. 477-56 C. A. Goldsmith, et al, 558 feet from north and 2,111 feet from east lines of section 21, block 44, T-1-S, T&P survey, rotary, 5,650 feet depth, Goldsmith field, starting at once.

Gulf No. 478-56, C. A. Goldsmith et al, 2,101 feet from north and 585 feet from east lines of section 21, block 44, T-1-S, T&P survey, rotary, 5,650 feet depth, Goldsmith-5600 field, starting at once.

Forest Oil Corporation No. 2 Pure-Parker, 440 feet from west and 1,980 feet from north lines of section 46, block 45, T-1-S, T&P survey, rotary, 6,000 feet depth, TKL-Clear Fork field, starting immediately.

Lee Drilling Company No. 1-D, No. 2-D, No. 3-D and No. 4-D Moss; No. 1-D is 660 feet from south and east lines of section 42; No. 2-D is 660 feet from north and east lines of southeast quarter of section 42; No. 3-D is 660 feet from west and north lines of southeast quarter of section 42, and No. 4-D is 1,370.1 feet from east and 1,324.3 feet from south lines of section 42, block 42, T-2-S, T&P survey, rotary, 5,000 feet depth, South Cowden field, starting immediately.

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Stanolind No. 15-C-R/A-E W. F. Cowden, 1,986 feet from north and 660 feet from east lines of section 8, block A, pal survey, rotary, 8,700 feet depth, Andsector-Ellenburger field, starting at once.

Stanolind No. 12-C-R/A-E W. F. Cowden, 660 feet from south and 1,897 feet from west lines of northeast quarter of section 7, block A, pal survey, rotary, 8,700 feet depth, Andsector-Ellenburger field, starting immediately.

Atlantic No. 2-0 Block 31 Joint Operation, 660 feet from west and south lines of section 27, block 31, University survey, rotary, 10,400 feet depth, Block 31-Devonian field, starting at once.

George Kidd No. 1 McClintic Brothers, et al, 2,310 feet from east and south lines of section 27, block 31, University survey, rotary, 10,400 feet depth, Block 31-Devonian field, starting at once.

Texas No. 17 Cowden-Anderson State, 200 feet from north and 1,878 feet from west lines of Jax M. Cowden survey No. 10, rotary, 3,100 feet depth, McElroy field, starting at once.

DAWSON COUNTY
Citrus Service No. 5 Scanlan, 1,980 feet from north and west lines of section 85, EL&RR survey, rotary, 4,950 feet depth, Welch field, starting immediately.

GARZA COUNTY
Herman Brown, George R. Brown & Comanche No. 6 Post estate, 990 feet from north and 2,310 feet from west lines of southeast quarter of section 9, abstract 513, K. Aycock survey, rotary, 2,100 feet depth, Garza field, starting December 30.

HOCKLEY COUNTY
Texas Pacific No. 25-AC-1 Rains CSL, 440 feet from west and 1,450 feet from north lines of labor 11, league 42, Rains CSL survey, rotary, 4,883 feet depth, Slaughter field, starting at once.

HONOLULU COUNTY
Texas No. 4-18-B Ellwood, 660 feet from south and 1,980 feet from east lines of section 18, block A, R. M. Thompson survey, combination tools, 6,100 feet depth, West Smyer field, starting immediately.

Cooperative Refinery Association No. 3 Ellwood estate, 660 feet from north and west lines of section 12, block A, R. M. Thompson survey, rotary, 6,000 feet depth, West Smyer field, starting at once.

Texas No. 5-B-NCT-5 W. T. Coble, 440 feet from west and 1,702 feet from north lines of labor 33, league 68, Hardeman CSL survey, rotary, 5,000 feet depth, Levelland field, starting immediately.

Cooperative Refinery Association No. 3 Ellwood estate, 660 feet from north and west lines of section 12, block A, R. M. Thompson survey, rotary, 6,000 feet depth, West Smyer field, starting at once.

Texas No. 10-A-NCT-1 W. T. Coble, 440 feet from north and east lines of labor 38, league 68, Hardeman CSL survey, rotary, 5,000 feet depth, Levelland field, starting immediately.

HOWARD COUNTY
Seaboard No. 1 Archie Hodnett, 660 feet from south and east lines of northeast quarter of section 29, block 32, T-3-N, T&P survey, rotary, 8,000 feet depth, Vealmoor field, starting at once.

Seaboard No. 1 Mae Zant, 660 feet from south and 580 feet from east lines of north half of southwest quarter of section 29, block

1,120 feet from north lines of southeast quarter of section 5, block 7, C&D&M&A survey, rotary, 2,775 feet depth, North Ward-Estes field, starting immediately.

WINKLER COUNTY
Stanolind-Shell No. 7 Blue estate, 660 feet from west and south lines of section 18, block 46, T&P survey, T-1-C, rotary, 9,500 feet depth, Wheeler-Devonian field, starting at once.

YOAKUM COUNTY
E. E. Reigle No. 1 Ruth Googins, 1,980 feet from north and 860

feet from east lines of section 217, block D, John Gibson survey, combination tools, 5,800 feet depth, wildcat, seven miles northwest of Plains, starting at once.

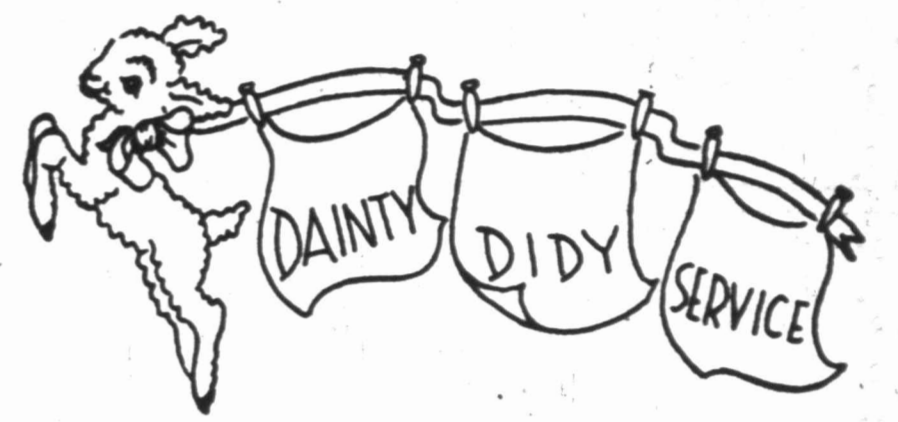
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St. Nick And The Christmas Tree

By JUDY RIDGE
Editor's Note: This Christmas story was written by 11-year old Judy Ridge, a student in Midland's John M. Cowden Junior High School.

Once upon a time there was a very pretty Christmas tree. It stood in one corner of a huge living room. It had bright colored balls and tinsel. But the prettiest of all were the lights.

All the branches were as happy as they could be—that is, all but one little branch. It hung its needles very low because it did not have one icicle or light or even a ball on it. All the other branches were laughing at him and you know how it makes you feel when you are laughed at.

The little branch had heard a little girl say that nobody needed to put anything on that branch because it is in the back of the tree and nobody would see it. This made the little branch feel worse than ever. He looked around him and

saw all the lights and balls and icicles on all the other branches. Days went by and the little branch grew more unhappy as Christmas grew nearer. Some of his needles were falling off. That made the little branch look even worse than before.

Great Friends
 One day about two weeks before Christmas the little branch was taking a nap when all of a sudden he felt a slight tickle on one of his needles. He opened his eyes and looked around and there was a little spider. The spider cried, "I am looking for a place to make a web and this is the only branch I can find where I won't be disturbed by children. I want to know if it will be alright if I make my web here?"

The little branch thought a minute, then said, "Yes, you can make your web here if you will promise to make it really pretty."

This made the little spider, whose name was Gus, feel very happy.

After two hours of constant work Gus finished the web. It truly was beautiful. It was made of silver threads.

The little branch told him of his dream and then when he awoke, he had found he was nothing but an ugly Christmas tree branch. This time Gus started to cry. A little later Gus stopped crying and started laughing.

"To think I was such a baby," mumbled Gus. He told a lot of jokes and did everything he could think of to cheer up the little branch but the little branch would only give a rather bored smile and start crying again.

Letter To Santa
 Gus thought and thought and finally he said, "I've got it." This startled the branch so that the spider almost fell out of his web. The spider continued after recovering from the jerk. He said, "I will write a letter to Santa Claus this very day and tell him how unhappy you are. Then maybe he will bring you some big colored balls and some icicles and maybe he will even bring you some colored lights. That is, if you want me to," he said rather timidly.

"Oh, yes, please do, please do," cried the little branch. This startled the branch so that he did fall out of his web. He crawled up to his web slowly and took out pencil and paper and began: "Dear Santa Claus, (You see, he had never been to school.)

"Me very best friend is very unhappy. He don't have one ball or icicle or even a lent (meaning light). Please bring him some so he will get happy again."

"Youse frind," "Spider Gus"

Prettiest Branch
 He read this letter to the little branch and he mailed it. They waited for 13 days and finally Christmas Eve came. They stayed awake as long as they could that night but they finally fell asleep.

The next morning the little branch woke up and guess what? He had five great big yellow balls on him and he had ever so many icicles and six lights. He woke Gus and said, "My dream has come true. I am now one of the prettiest branches on the tree."

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The little branch smiled and said, "Thank you," and fell asleep.

That night the little branch dreamed he was the prettiest branch on the Christmas tree. But when he awoke the next morning he realized it was only a dream and began to cry. Of course this woke up Gus the spider and make him a little angry. "Why in the world are you crying at this time of the morning. You are supposed to be asleep," Gus cried.



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PANELLESS PHEASANT HUNT
DENVER—(P)—George K. Smith went hunting but it was Mrs. Smith who bagged the family's only pheasant. A low-flying bird crashed through the living room window in the Smith's south Denver home. It was a pretty expensive pheasant dinner, Smith said—\$9.85 for a new window.

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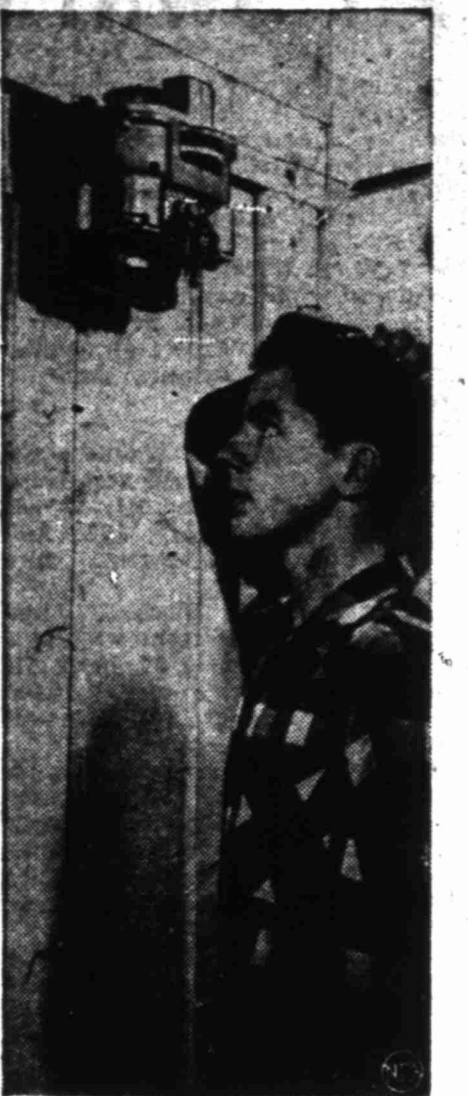
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Boy 'Ben Franklin' Electrifies Farm



Here's part of the model farm which won 15-year-old Jimmie Sutherland, of Windsor, Mo. a \$200 scholarship as winner in the 4-H Better Methods Electric Contest. The scale model farm is completely electrified, with lights in all the buildings. Many bulbs came from a torn-down pinball machine.



Electricity is Jimmie's hobby. Here he ponders some "bugs" in an "automatic door opener" he built. It's supposed to open his bedroom door automatically.



Since the 320-acre Sutherland farm is not on a power line, the 32-volt power generated on the farm won't operate ordinary radios. So Jimmie made this one out of an old spiced-flg barrel, a crystal, some wires and surplus headphones.



Jimmie's hobby helps with the farm work, too. This automatic switch and timer turns on the poultry house lights at 4 a. m. It will turn them off again at 8 a. m., when the sun comes up. This gives the hens a longer work day.

Gas Rickshaw Plan Cools; Coolies Still Hotfooted

WASHINGTON—(NEA)—It was a nice dream for hundreds of Chinese coolies while it lasted, but the rickshaw industry isn't going to be mechanized like the Atlantic City boardwalk chairs, after all.

The 1948 model boardwalk chairs will have motors on 'em and whiz along at four miles an hour. The motorized liberation of the coolie is a flashier 25-mile-an-hour project, but the Economic Co-operation Administration in Washington had to turn it down.

ECA wasn't set up for financing any new industries of this kind. But at least Yankee ingenuity or Michigan automobile brains have made the basic investment for motorizing the rickshaw as a means of travel.

Beefmasters Are On Winter Feed Test

BALMORHEA—Six beefmasters are among the 200 bull calves entered in the annual Winter feeding test now being conducted by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Substation No. 9 at Balmorhea.

The calves were assembled at Balmorhea and officially weighed and judged November 23 and 24. The calves will be fed a standardized ration for about four months with the results, including conformation score and daily gains by groups, to be published next April.

The Leaster Ranch has entered the Beefmasters in the Balmorhea tests in order to ascertain their weight-for-age abilities in the feedlot. Beefmaster cattle have shown unusual weights at all ages under grazing conditions in various sections of Texas and Kansas.

The Beefmaster bull calves were assigned to the heaviest group of sixty calves by the committee of judges for the Balmorhea experiment. In addition to the six Beefmasters, the group includes 54 bull calves of other well known breeds.

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Episcopal Hour Speakers Listed

ATLANTA, GA.—Speakers on the Episcopal Hour for January, include men of particular importance in the church, all of them with reputations as pleasing and helpful speakers and counselors.

January 2, the Very Rev. John B. Walthour, dean of St. Philip's Cathedral, Atlanta, will open the Episcopal Hour for 1949.

On January 9, the speaker will be the Rev. Dr. John Hens, director of the Department of Christian Education of the National Council of the Episcopal Church. January 16, the speaker will be the Rt. Rev. Henry St. George Tucker, of Richmond, who for nearly nine years held the highest office of his Church, that of Presiding Bishop.

On January 23, Col. Blake R. Van Leer, president of the Georgia Institute of Technology, is the speaker.

Closing the month, the speaker for January 30 will be John E. Booty, 23-years old, who is preparing for the Episcopal ministry in the diocese of Michigan. He is a student at Wayne University.

The Episcopal Hour originates at Atlanta, and is heard on Sunday mornings at 8:30, Eastern Standard Time, and 7:30 Central Standard Time.

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Food Outlook For 1949 Is Good, But Consumer May Still Grumble Over Budget

By CECILY BROWNSTONE
Associated Press Food Editor

Americans will eat well in 1949 and will continue to grumble about the food budget.

One ray of light is an indication that meat prices will drop slightly toward the end of the year, and that most of the favorite diet items of Mr. and Mrs. USA will be available in abundance.

Assurance as to food supplies comes from C. V. Wells, chief of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics in the U. S. Department of Agriculture, who says:

"Supplies of food available to American families will be just about the same in 1949 as they

were in 1948."

During the war our food consumption per person was upped and peaked came in 1946, when it was 18 per cent above prewar. This year we'll not hit that high point, but we'll still be 12 per cent above the average in 1935-36.

We probably shall continue to be better fed nutritionally in 1949 than in any prewar year. Americans now are getting more than a fourth more iron, niacin, and riboflavin and more than a third more thiamine—thanks chiefly to the continued enrichment of white bread and flour. The quantities of vitamin A, vitamin C, and calcium in the diet have stayed well above the prewar

averages because people have continued to eat more leafy, green and yellow vegetables, citrus fruit and tomatoes, and more cheese and fluid milk.

Individual Foods

Glance at individual foods and here's how prospects stack up: More of next year's meat is expected to be pork with less beef, veal, lamb, or than beef. What beef there is will be of better grades as more cattle will be grain-fed.

If your family can't get all the meat they want they'll take fish, figures on the consumption of fish-ery products show. Our present fish consumption is 10.3 pounds per cap-

ita, as compared with about ten pounds per capita a year ago.

Supplies of canned fish probably will be about the same in 1949 as in '48. Though we may have lots more tuna, the salmon pack may be a good deal lower.

There should be more turkey and chicken around than there was this year and prices should be better, too.

When it comes to per capita supplies of fluid milk, cream, evaporated milk and cheese, 1949 will see us consuming about the same amount as we did this year, though there's a chance there'll be more butter around. Prices of dairy products are expected to average about

what they did in 1948.

Somewhat larger supplies of fats and oils will be available for civilian consumption, and they should be cheaper, too.

Fresh fruit supplies will continue to be large—especially vitamin C-rich (citrus) fruits. The prices of fresh oranges and grapefruits are expected to be about the same. Canned fruit juice supplies will be ample. Smaller crops of apples and pears this year mean somewhat reduced supplies ahead, and prices higher: canned pears may not be quite as plentiful as last. But just to balance things there'll be a large supply of canned apricots.

If your family particularly appreciates bananas, they'll be glad to know that they will constitute the largest item of fresh fruit we import in 1949. Pineapple is expect-

ed to be in good supply, too.

Supplies of frozen foods are swinging upward, with packers attempting to meet consumer demand for such basic items as fruits, vegetables, fish and poultry. And it looks as if there would be more frozen strawberries for shortcake all the year round. No one is making any predictions about what the price of frozen foods will be.

Fresh Vegetables

More fresh vegetables for the family table this winter is the word. Plenty of white potatoes and dry beans for the winter but supplies of sweet potatoes are smaller this year than they were last. Canned vegetables, in ample supply, will help make menu-planning easier.

There will be plenty of peanuts and peanut butter, too, for small

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POOR VISIBILITY IS HAZARD
CHICAGO, ILL. — The National Safety Council in its "Operation Safety Planning Guide, January 1949" emphasizes longer hours of darkness and poor visibility as the most important winter-driving hazards. These hazards, illuminating engineers say, are particularly serious where street lighting is inadequate.

No one with a sweet tooth need worry. In 1949 our diet had a little more carbohydrate than it did two years ago because we got plenty of sugar . . . and supplies ahead are ample.

INTERNATIONAL MUSIC COMPETITION PLANNED
GENEVA—(AP)—Geneva's fifth international music competition will take place from Sept. 18 to Oct. 2, 1949, the organizing committee decided recently.

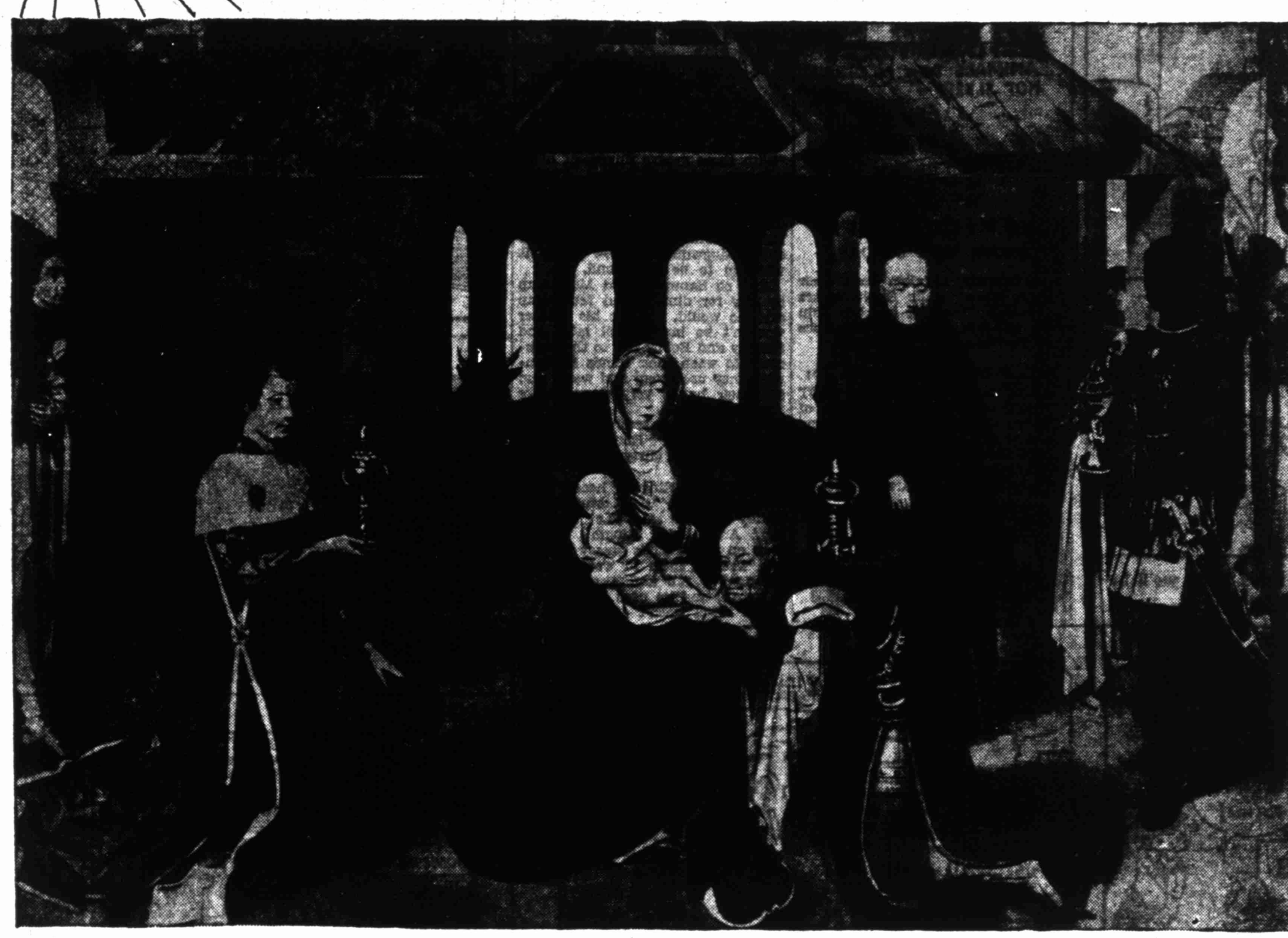
Prizes totaling 11,000 Swiss francs (\$2,870) will be awarded to the best performers in singing, piano, and wood-wind and string instruments. Musicians of any country between the ages of 15 and 30 and of either sex are eligible to compete.

Emerald production has long been a virtual monopoly of mines near Bogota, Colombia, although small quantities are mined elsewhere. But the Colombia mines have been idle for the past 10 years.

Church Calendar

- ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**
2000 West Texas Street
Father Frank Triggs, Pastor
Rev. Raymond Miller, O.M.L., Associate Pastor
8:30 a. m. and 11:00 a. m.: Sunday Masses
7:30 p. m.: Rosary and Novena.
- ST. GEORGE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH (Latin-Americans)**
Father Frank Triggs, Pastor
Rev. Raymond Miller, O.M.L., Associate Pastor
8:00 a. m. and 10:00 a. m.: Sunday Masses.
- TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH**
Fort Worth and Tennessee
Rev. C. B. Hedgus, Pastor
10:00 a. m. Sunday School
11:00 a. m. Morning Worship
7:30 p. m. Evening Worship
- CHURCH OF CHRIST**
Corner North A and Tennessee
J. Woodie Holden, Evangelist
Sunday
10:00 a. m.: Bible Study
10:50 a. m.: Preaching and Communion.
6:30 p. m.: Young People's Service
7:30 p. m.: Preaching
Monday
7:30 p. m.: Men's Meeting.
Wednesday
7:30 p. m.: Midweek prayer service.
- TERMINAL BAPTIST CHURCH**
Building T-1, Air Terminal
Rev. Curtis Rogers, Pastor
9:45 a. m.: Sunday School
11 a. m.: Church Service
6:30 p. m.: Training Union.
7:30 p. m.: Evening Worship.
Wednesday
7:30 p. m.: Prayer Meeting.
- FOUR-SQUARE GOSPEL CHURCH**
Corner West Indiana and South B Streets.
Pastors: The Revs. Alberta Johnson, Cecil Penny and Esther Healand.
9:45 a. m.: Sunday School.
11:00 a. m.: Morning worship.
6:00 p. m.: Crusaders meeting
7:30 p. m.: Evangelistic service
7:30 p. m. Wednesday: Bible Study and prayer meeting.
- FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**
Loraine and Illinois Streets
Rev. Clyde Lindsey, Pastor
9:45 a. m.: Sunday School.
11:00 a. m.: Morning worship with a talk by Delbert Downing.
There will be no evening service.
- VALLEY VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH**
Rev. Leonard Lettwich, Pastor
10:30 a. m.: Sunday School.
11:00 a. m.: Preaching service.
- SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH**
Rev. C. A. Holt
West Pennsylvania and Loraine
Saturday Services:
10:00 a. m.: Sabbath School.
11:00 a. m.: Morning service meeting.
- THE HOLINESS MISSION**
East Pennsylvania and South Terrell
R. S. Jones, Pastor
10:00 a. m.: Sunday School.
1:00 a. m.: Preaching.
7:45 p. m.: Evening service.
Tuesday
8:00 p. m.: Young People's Meeting.
Thursday
8:00 p. m.: Prayer Meeting.
- ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH**
319 South Baird Street
Rev. Earl Eloe, Pastor
Sunday
10:00 a. m.: Sunday School.
11:00 a. m.: Morning worship.
8:00 p. m.: Christ Ambassadors.
7:30 p. m.: Evening worship.
Tuesday
7:30 p. m.: WMC.
Wednesday
7:30 p. m.: Mid-week service.
- SOUTH SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST**
719 South Baird Street
J. V. Davis, Minister
Sunday
9:45 a. m.: Bible Study.
10:30 a. m.: Worship Service.
7:00 p. m.: Youth Training.
7:30 p. m.: Evening Service.
Wednesday
7:30 p. m.: Mid-week Bible Study.
Thursday
2:30 p. m.: Ladies Bible Class.
- FIRST FREWELL BAPTIST CHURCH**
Rev. F. D. Spratt, Pastor
1908 South Minnesota Street
10:00 a. m. Sunday School.
11:00 a. m. Morning Worship.
7:30 p. m. Evening Service.
Wednesday
7:30 p. m.: Prayer meeting.
Saturday
7:30 p. m.: Evening worship.
- FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**
Rev. E. Matthew Lynn, Pastor
Services scheduled temporarily in Trinity Episcopal Church.
1109 West Missouri Street
9:45 a. m.: Sunday School.
11:00 a. m.: Morning worship with a sermon by the pastor on "Anglo Dominant."
9:45 p. m.: Junior Fellowship at the manse, 1219 West Missouri. There will be no choir practice for Juniors.
8:00 p. m.: Senior Youth Fellowship to meet with young people of Trinity Episcopal Church.
7:00 p. m.: The evening service will be "Student Night At Home" led by college students who are home for the holidays.
- GREENWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH**
Route 1, Midland
Rev. Lee Bailey, Pastor
10:00 a. m.: Sunday School.
11:00 a. m.: Morning Worship.
7:30 p. m.: Training Union.
Wednesday
8:00 p. m.: Midweek prayer service.
- CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**
Indiana and Big Spring Streets
Rev. F. W. Rogers, Pastor
10:00 a. m.: Sunday School
11:00 a. m.: Morning Worship
7:15 p. m.: NYPE.
7:45 p. m.: Evening Worship
Wednesday
7:30 p. m.: Prayer service.
- CHURCH OF GOD**
200 South Dallas Street
Rev. J. H. Moore, Minister
10:00 a. m.: Sunday School
11:00 a. m.: Morning Worship
7:30 p. m.: Evangelistic service.
Tuesday
7:30 p. m.: Young People's service.
Friday
7:30 p. m.: Prayer Service
- CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH**
1001 South Main Street
Rev. A. L. Teaff, Pastor
9:45 a. m.: Sunday School.
10:55 a. m.: Morning worship.
6:30 p. m.: Training Union.
7:30 p. m.: Evening service.
- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**
Main Street and Illinois
Rev. Vernon Yearby, Pastor
9:45 a. m.: Sunday School.
10:55 a. m.: Morning worship with sermon by the pastor.
6:45 p. m.: Training Union.
8:00 p. m.: Evening service.
- ASBURY METHODIST CHURCH**
South Loraine at West Dakota
Rev. J. Lenoel Hester, Pastor.
9:45 a. m.: Sunday School.
10:50 a. m.: Morning worship with a sermon by the pastor on "Time Is A Trust."
6:30 p. m.: MYP. Theme, "I Have A Trust."
7:00 p. m.: Evening worship with a sermon by the pastor on "Five Days Remain."
Wednesday
7:15 p. m.: Choir practice.
8:00 p. m.: Bible Study.
- FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**
300 North Main Street
Rev. Howard H. Hollowell, Pastor
9:45 a. m.: Sunday School.
10:50 a. m.: Morning worship with a sermon by the pastor on "The Unchanging Christ."
6:00 p. m.: Methodist Youth Fellowship.
7:00 p. m.: Evening worship.
8:00 p. m.: Young Adult Fellowship.
GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Wall and J Streets
Rev. G. Becker, Pastor
Sunday
10:00 a. m.: Sunday School and Bible Class.
11:00 a. m.: Divine worship with a sermon by the pastor on "The Child That Divides The World," based on Luke 2:34.
7:00 p. m.: Sunday evening Bible Hour.
- TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH**
H and Illinois Streets
Rev. E. J. Snell, Rector
7:30 a. m.: Holy Communion.
9:30 a. m.: Church School.
11:00 a. m.: Morning worship with a sermon by the pastor on "Christmas And The Creed."
CHURCH OF CHRIST
903 South Terrell Street
10:30 a. m. Sunday: Morning worship.
7:30 p. m. Sunday: Evening service.
7:30 p. m. Wednesday: Midweek service.
- COTTON FLAT BAPTIST CHURCH**
Rankin Highway
Rev. Bob Campbell, Pastor
10:30 a. m.: Sunday School.
11:30 a. m.: Morning Service.
7:30 p. m.: Evening Service
- PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH**
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- BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH**
712 South Colorado Street
J. Marion Hull, Minister
10:00 a. m.: Bible School.
11:00 a. m.: Morning worship.
6:30 p. m.: Evening worship.
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Wednesday
8:00 p. m.: Second Wednesday evening.
Saturday
11:30 a. m.: Radio Program.
Sunday
9:45 a. m.: Sunday School.
11:00 a. m.: Church services.
- PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS TABERNACLE**
506 South Colorado Street
G. W. Roberts, Pastor
9:45 a. m.: Preaching.
7:45 p. m.: Preaching.
Wednesday
8:00 p. m.: Bible Study.
Thursday
8:00 p. m.: Preaching.
- MEXICAN BAPTIST MISSION**
Washington and Midland Streets
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The Magi were representatives of an ancient faith—a faith which went back to the days when man first looked up at the stars and wondered and worshipped. In this adoration, the lights of an old world faded in the brightness of a new revelation.

Men no longer have to look to the stars for the light of faith. It has come down to earth and shines in human hearts. It brightens man's pathway and gives his life a meaning and a purpose. This is the significance of the wise men's journey to Bethlehem.

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Sunday Matthew 2:1-12
Monday Romans 1:18-25
Tuesday John 1:1-14
Wednesday Isaiah 55:1-9
Thursday Isaiah 60:1-11
Friday Isaiah 9:1-7
Saturday Matthew 13:44-52

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Pigskin to Podium



A member of Columbia's debate council, football star Gene Rosales tackles Cornell on the Taft-Hartley law. The Lions were lost—in the last 30 seconds, of course.

Daddy Ringtail

Daddy Ringtail And The Greasy Fingers

By WESLEY DAVIS

There's one thing I have never told you about the monkey boy whose name is Mugwump. Once he always had dirty hands and greasy fingers, if you can imagine such a thing. But he hasn't had greasy fingers, in a long, long time—not since the day I am going to tell you about.

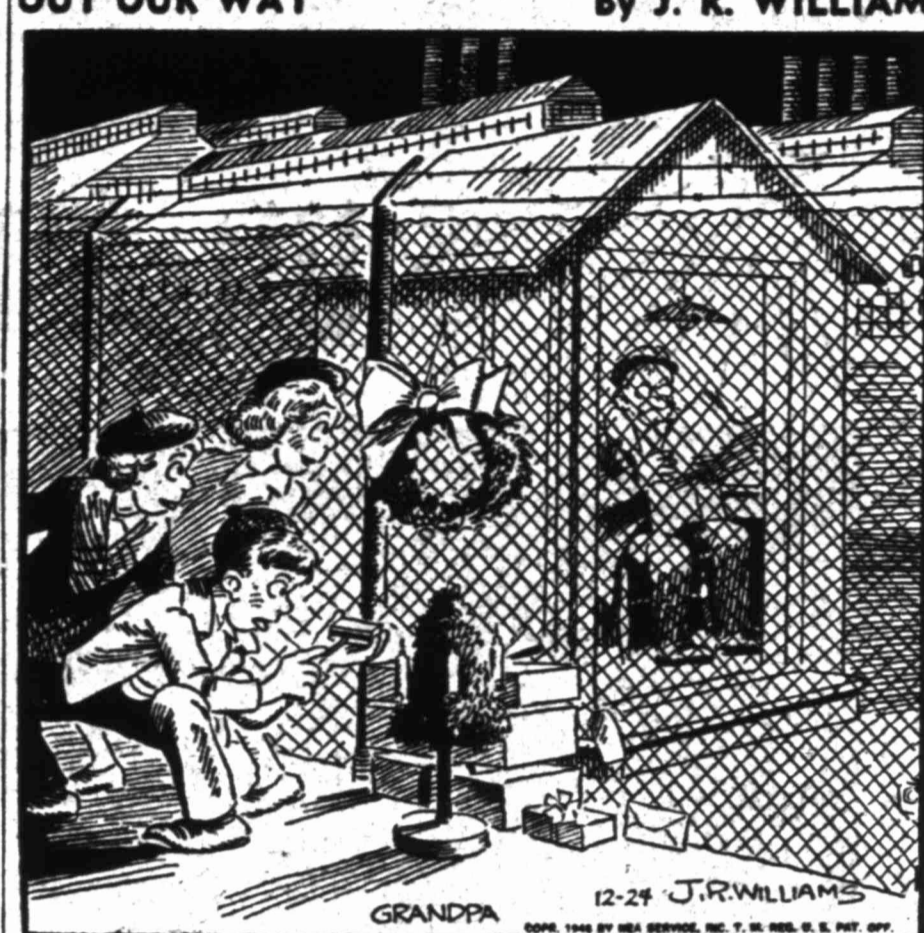


Sammy turned up his nose. He almost stepped on his tail—he was that unhappy about having Mugwump stay for dinner.

But Daddy Ringtail heard what Mugwump said. "Here, Mugwump," Daddy Ringtail said. "Let me help you. And Daddy Ringtail rubbed soap on Mugwump's greasy fingers, and washed them in warm water.

When Mugwump had dried his hands—because Mugwump's hands now were clean. "Thump! Imagine that!" said Mugwump. Mugwump said he liked his hands much better clean. And who wouldn't?

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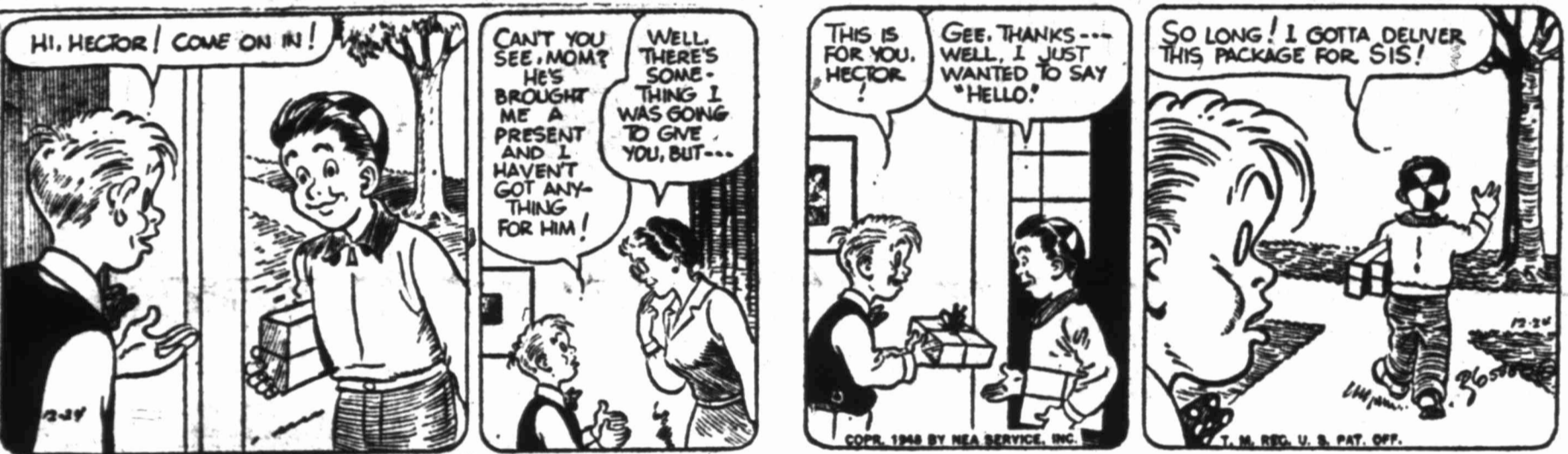
Unfortunately, burglars have their busiest season while Santa makes his rounds. Don't let burglars ruin your holidays—secure insurance and be financially protected.

PROOF OF LAST WEEK'S AD: OPPOSITES USUALLY DO NOT MARRY EACH OTHER. Studies of Terman (Stanford University) tend to show the tendency is for like to marry like—that there is a fair correlation between husband and wife in intelligence, appearance, etc.



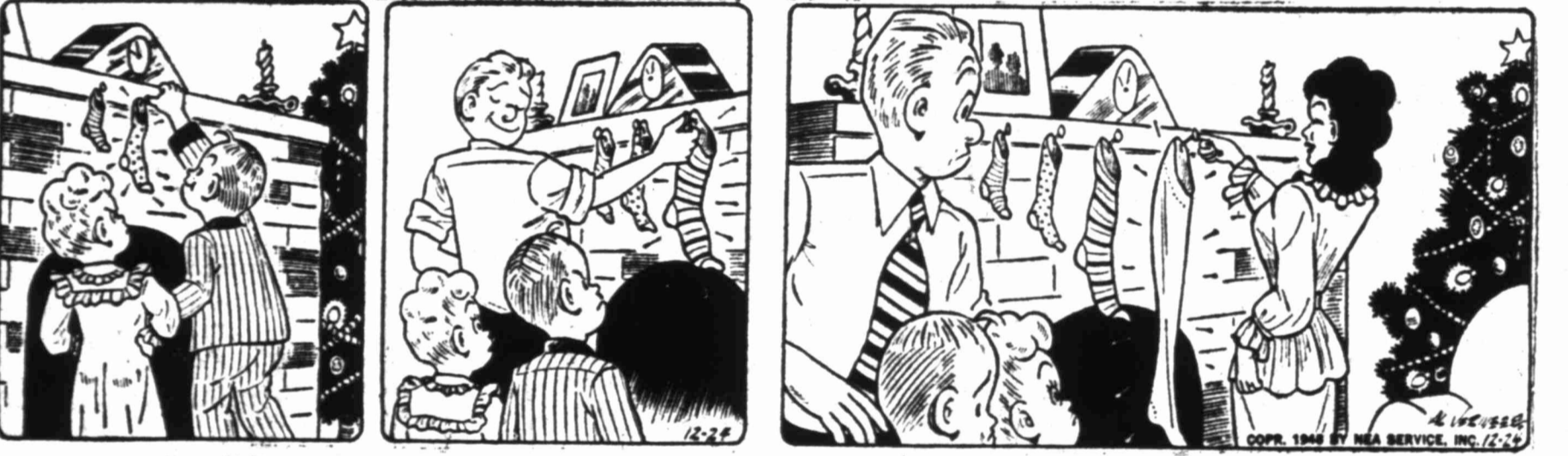
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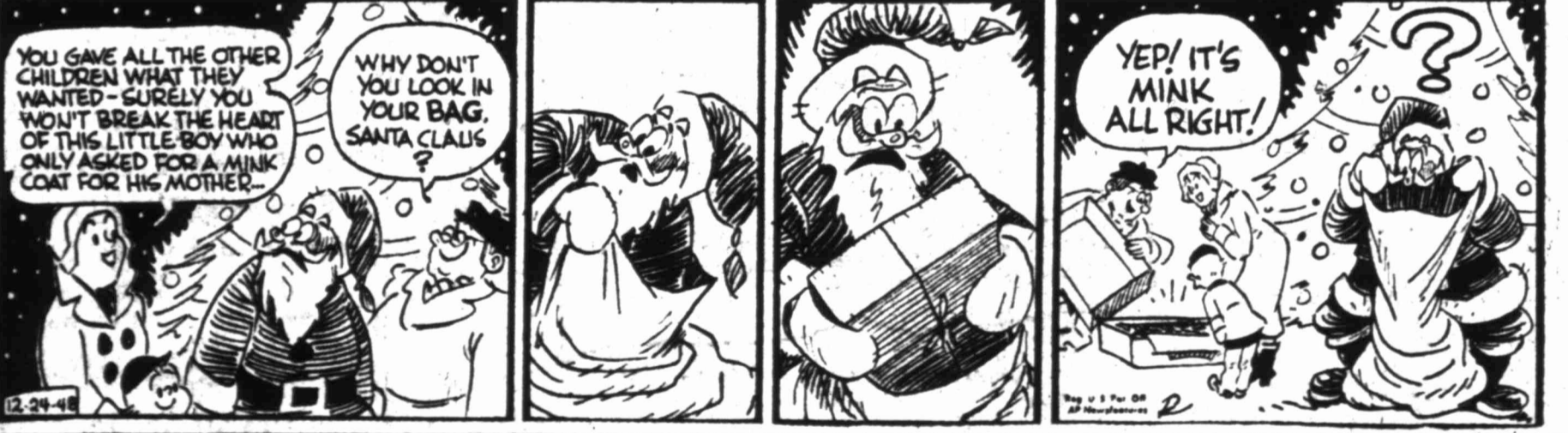
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Hamlet-San and Laertes-San in Japan



Shakespeare's famous tragedy, "Hamlet," which has been done in countries around the world, gets another treatment in Japan. This is the famous duel scene between Hamlet and Laertes. In the Kabuki version in Tokyo, Hiroshi Sunaga, left, as Hamlet, and Mayumi, as Laertes, wield two-handed Japanese swords while the king and queen watch. (Signal Corps photo from NEA-Acme.)

Doctors, Home And School Cooperate To Assist Junior

**By DAVID TAYLOR MARKE
AP Newsfeatures**

A round-the-clock, all-year-around concern for the physical, mental, and emotional life of the child was cited by leading authorities as the highlight for 1948 in the field of child development and education.

So say Dr. Arnold Gesell, founder, and until recently, director of the Clinic of Child Development at Yale University; Dr. Harry Bakwin, Associate Professor of Pediatrics at New York University's Medical School; and Professor Jean Betzner of Teachers College, Columbia University.

According to Dr. Gesell, "over half of the pediatrician's time is devoted to the care of well children. This supervision is steadily broadening to include mental as well as physical welfare. It is safe to predict that in 1949 the trend will grow stronger and take the form of more systematic supervision of child development through parent and child guidance and through family counseling."

Individual Care

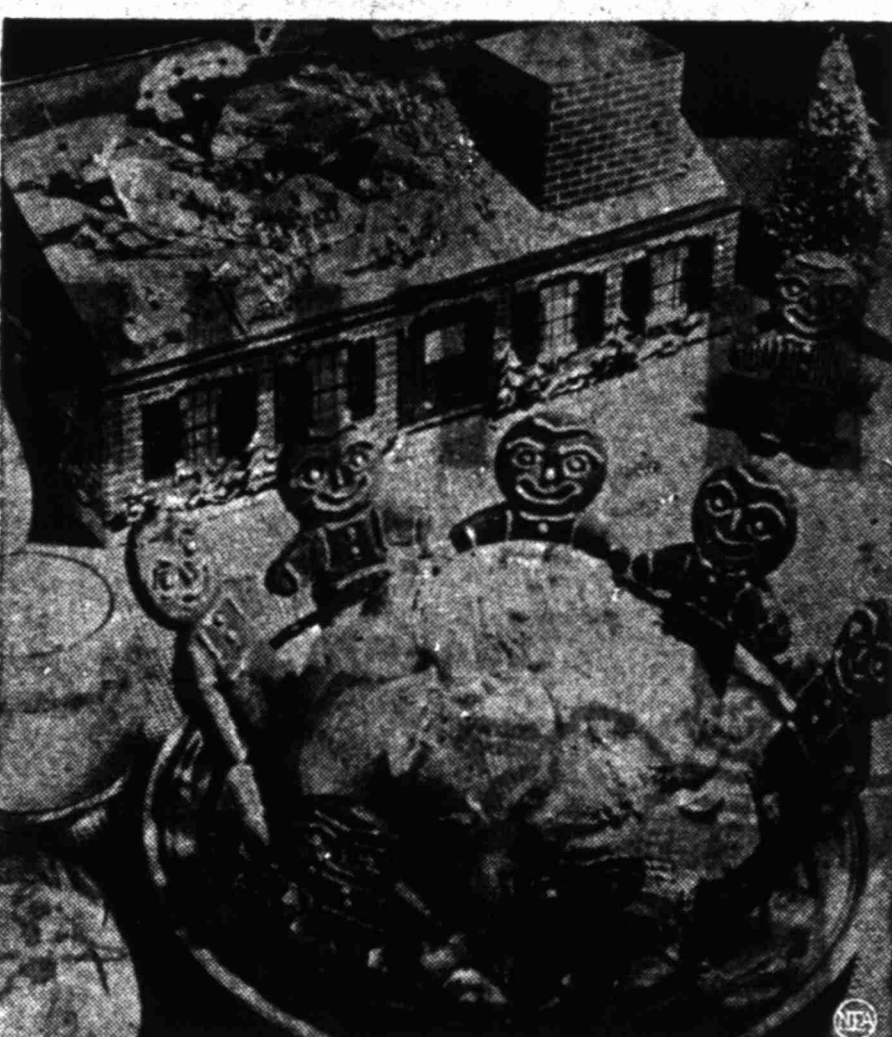
Dr. Bakwin adds:

"There is also a growing realization of the need for individualizing child care. The physician's role is to give advice from his general knowledge of children; on the parents falls the responsibility of applying these generalizations to their own child. This applies to all phases of the child's development—eating, sleeping, toilet training, etc. It is hoped that the flexibility implicit in the newer attitudes will make child rearing easier for the parents, that the child will be happier and that, in addition, at least some of the emotional disturbances which plague adults will be averted."

In the field of childhood education, says Dr. Betzner, "This stimulated concern for the life of children results from our newer understanding of the fact that the earlier emotional experiences of youngsters are of the utmost importance in fixing their lifetime personality patterns. This trend has been accompanied by a renewed appreciation of the role of the parents and his home in each child's development. Schools are beginning to see children against the whole background of their existence rather than in the classroom setting only."

"As we gain greater insight into children's capabilities, we will be able to give them responsibilities that make for a realistic approach to life," she declared.

Ice Cream Party For Pigtail Set



Rudolph, the red-nosed reindeer, lots of ice cream and ginger-snaps boys make a hilarious Christmas party for the pigtail set.

**By GAYNOR MADDOX
NEA Staff Writer**

To make the Merry Christmas party for the pigtail set a dazzling success, simply supply all the ice cream they want to eat, and a touch of novelty such as ginger-bread men. So pile the ice cream high! It's a food like milk or bread and butter and a valuable addition to a child's diet. Be lavish with ginger-snap boys! Each small guest will want to take one home. And introduce Rudolph, the red-nosed reindeer, a hilarious new game. Then you're off to a wov of a party.

Christmas Begins In July For Film Colony Residents

By BOB THOMAS

HOLLYWOOD—(AP)—Listen closely, children, and you'll hear how Christmas is celebrated in this strange land.

Hollywood's holiday starts in July when studio starties pose in bathing suits or less before "Wintry scenes concocted on film stages. With scant regard to season, the curly cuties hang their stockings in the Summer heat—so their likenesses can appear in December magazines.

Christmas begins in earnest on the night before Thanksgiving. Hollywood Boulevard is transformed by magic and \$50,000 worth of lighted metal trees into Santa Claus Lane and a huge parade is held. Pain In The Neck.

The holiday season is declared open.

To many stars, Christmas is a pain in the neck. Publicized as generous glamor creatures, they must live the part. They might be bountiful with their gifts, and overlook no one.

Film making is carried on during the morning before Christmas. Most companies do no shooting in the afternoon, possibly because the nearness of holiday cheer makes some actors unphotogenic.

The afternoon of Christmas eve has been devoted to studio parties, but these probably will be scarce or lacking this year. Hollywood has less to celebrate than in previous years.

Christmas Day in Hollywood is observed much the same as in any American home. Show business folks are a sentimental lot.

FIRST WOMAN ENGINEER

OSLO—(AP)—In eight months the Norwegian merchant fleet will have its first woman engineer. Tora Skallveit has attended a two year technical school, and is now serving the required time of 15 months as a stoker in the engine room of the ship "Ternefjell."

Phillips Employees Have Banquet Party

CRANE—A Christmas motif was the theme of the banquet party for the Phillips employees Monday night. The hall was colorful in seasonal decorations including a silver tree from which the gifts were exchanged. The table was covered in blue with dominantly silver centerpieces. Silvered cedar circled a low bowl of blue decorative balls. Place cards were arrangements of the same cedar, later worn as corsages. Blue ribbon and cranberries to form the holly berries completed the corsages.

Places were laid for 85. Santa was on hand to deliver the gifts.

The menu was turkey, dressing, cream potatoes, green beans, cranberry sauce, gravy, sweet pickles, applesauce cake and coffee.

Palladium chloride, enclosed in a glass tube, will turn dark when exposed to gas in a coal mine.

'Perfect Girl' For 1949 Created; She Is Plaster Dummy

**By VIVIAN BROWN
AP Newsfeatures Writer**

Samuel Murray Lange, a dress designer, has designed a "perfect girl" for 1949. She is a composite of 12 reigning beauties, all done up as a plaster marmalade.

Ten of the twelve and the attributes for which they were selected:

Head—Society's Pamela Curran; facial bone structure—Model Wendy Russell; lips—Model Elaine Bassett; nose—Model Pat Ryan; eyes—Marlene Dietrich; bust—Lana Turner; waist—Constance Bennett; hips—Model Jo Cagle; legs—Starlet Arlene Dahl and "the detached look"—Lady Sylvia Ashley. He's not telling who the other two might be.

Lange said he spent 6 months creating his beautiful doll.

The most important thing about this wan beauty is her "bone structure," according to Lange. She has "interesting hollows and a visible cord in her neck." She is not vigorous but rather the "Detached Look, ladylike and appealing, definite qualities a girl needs in 1949, he says.

Three Hairdos

She has three different hairdos—simple, madonna-like (added hair piece) for men; short and swirly as a luncheon conversation piece for the bride club; casual for travel.

Here are the measurements of this ash-blond super-queen:

Height—5' 8 inches without shoes; weight—114 pounds; head—21 7/8 inches; shoulders—18 inches; bust—34 1/2 inches; waist—23 1/2 inches; hips—34 inches; thigh—19 inches; calf—13 1/2 inches; ankle 7 7/8 inches; waist to knee 28 1/2 inches; center-neck to center back 18 inches.

Ginger-snap Boys
(About 2 dozen)

Four cups flour, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/4 teaspoon baking soda, 1 tablespoon ginger, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, 1/2 cup sugar, 3/4 cup shortening, 3/4 cup dark molasses, 1 egg, well beaten.

Mix and sift flour, salt, soda and spices. Add sugar, mix, add shortening and blend it in with fingers or a fork. Mix the egg and molasses and stir into the mixture to make a stiff dough. If necessary, add a little more molasses, but keep the dough stiff. Chill for 30 minutes. Roll out to a scant 1/4-inch thickness on a lightly floured baking sheet, or on the back of an inverted shallow pan. Cut out gingerbread men with cutter; remove surrounding dough which may be re-rolled. Bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees F.) for about 10 minutes. Cool and decorate with the following icing:

Decorator's Icing

One teaspoon butter, 1/2 cup confectioners' sugar, 2 teaspoons hot milk, 1/2 teaspoon vanilla.

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Merry Christmas

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SECTION THREE

'Twas Happy Accident That Gave World Beloved Christmas Hymn



It was the day before Christmas, 1818, in the tiny village of Oberndorf in the Austrian Tyrol. Franz Gruber, young church organist, was testing the organ—when it broke down. Unable to repair it and foreseeing ruin of the coming Christmas services, he rushed to...



... young Joseph Mohr, the parish curate, and poured out his woes. "Father," he said, "unless we find music simple enough to sing without rehearsal, our Christmas services will be without music!" The curate agreed to write some verses if Gruber would do the music. A call...



... came that night for Father Mohr to go to a home where a first-born son had just arrived. The night was far from "calm and bright." A howling blizzard swept down from the surrounding peaks and the swirling snow and bitter wind caused the priest to draw his cloak tighter about him. Returning from his mission, he suddenly realized the storm had stopped. The wind had calmed, moonlight silvered the snow-laden houses and stars winked from the blue-black sky. Inspired by this calm and his visit to the young mother and child, he hurried...



... home and set down the immortal words "Heilige nacht! Stille nacht!" and the rest of the verses seemed to write themselves. Organist Gruber, noting the words' beauty and simplicity, spent the rest of the night composing a simple melody. On Christmas Day...



... the congregation, awaiting the sonorous peal of the organ, was astonished when, up in the choir loft, the organist strummed his guitar and started singing "Silent Night," supported by the curate's strong bass line. But the hymn might have remained a local folk song had not...



... an organ repairman arrived from a nearby town a few days later. He heard the air, learned it and sang it back in his native city. It was taken up by a roving chorale group, which carried it to other parts of the country. Whoever heard it, loved it, so that in time...



... it was known and sung all over the world by nearly every race and nationality—by Sudanese Arabs, by Hindu boys in India, by East Africans, Chinese and Japanese, as well as Europeans. It came to America in 1850 and immediately became a favorite for Christmas carolers.

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Yule Decorations Stem From Legends Generations Old

The traditions and customs used up with the Christmas decorations have been passed from generation to generation until their meanings are obscure or completely obliterated.

Today the world follows many of these customs without realizing or enjoying the legends behind them. The evergreens, fir, holly, pine, spruce, hemlock, cedar and others, are symbolic of everlasting life. There is the story that evergreens were brought into the house at Christmas so the good spirits would have sprigs to sit on.

First Christmas Tree
Martin Luther was the first to place lighted candles on a tree and

call it a Christmas tree, tradition says. The story has it he was walking through the forest on a clear winter night and was so impressed by the patterns created by the stars shining through the trees he tried to reproduce the scene for his children. Placing candles on the branches of a tree he said, "This is like the Christmas sky. It is a Christmas tree."

The Scandinavians began the practice of burning the yule log to burn out wrong and animosities. The practice soon spread to England.

Children of Holland began the practice of hanging up stockings. They used their wooden shoes in-

stead. Romans instituted the use of candles to light the home at Christmas. Candles symbolized the birth of the sun and the renewal of life.

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Richard the Lion-Hearted, King of England, raised money for his first crusade by putting on the auction block his nation's highest offices and honors.

Roller skating became popular in the United States after J. L. Pimpton of New York invented, in 1863, a four-wheeled skate working on rubber pads.

Decorating Is In Full Swing



Christmas decorating is in full swing at the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Crippled Children as Richard Oley, Spearman, and John Ballar, Dallas, trim a Christmas tree. The two little girls in wheelchairs, Marolyn Barrett, Odessa, and Tommie Kay Robinson, Hereford, avoid the Christmas postal rush by wrapping their gifts early with colorful paper and ribbon. The Scottish Rite Hospital is supported by contributions and bequests from generous people in the Lone Star State.

CHANCES OF BEING STRUCK BY LIGHTNING ARE GOOD

Experts say that during a violent storm you stand a good chance of being struck by lightning if you are standing, walking or running on a beach, playing golf, hiking, working in a field or standing under a tree.

ARTIFICIAL WORDS

Rococo, a term used to describe a type of European art which began early in the 18th Century, is derived from the French word, rocaille, which designated artificial grottoes and rock arrangements of the gardens of Versailles.

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Chill Williams and fur bathing suit: But don't go swimming.



Lock-and-key bra: She doesn't have to reach in back.

gance in the boudoir when you can parade it on the beach? A Portland, Ore., designer, for instance, has created an ermine bathing suit for \$500. If that's too much, there are similar two-piece affairs in stenciled kid, sheared white lapin and natural African kid for \$45, or in grey type caracul for \$55. Fine for sun bathing. But don't go near the water unless you want your glamour to turn soggy. Just sit under a fur umbrella.

By EPSIE KINARD
NEW YORK (NEA) — If you think Paris is the place for gaga fashions, hold on to your nylons—the ones with pearl-embroidered lace, made in U. S. A.

They're on the way for the Spring trade at \$25 a pair to share the mad style honors currently held by such items as knee-high spats, pantaloons, lock-and-key bras, and fur umbrellas.

And if fur seems strange on an umbrella, it has also turned up on bras, slips and petticoats. It is even appearing in the bathing suit department as a sort of seaside hairshirt.

The custom-made sex-appeal socks are of bridal white nylon with the pearl-embroidered lace inset over the insteps as a mosaic. There's another version in black nylon, with insets of Chantilly-like lace.

In the bra division, the model with the lock and key is called the "locket bra," and its advantage, says the manufacturer, is that it fastens in front to save arm strain from trying to reach around in back for the hooks. The manufacturer of the fur-bearing nifties says it's an idea he's had for a long time; he was waiting for pelts to become less expensive to set the fashion world on its ear.

No matter how the fashion world reacts to this, it has pleased the dry-cleaning industry. Up to now, business in intimate wearables has been slight, but the fur-trimmed variety will have to go to the cleaners for upkeep at \$1.25 per bra, \$1.50 per slip.

The upkeep would be somewhat higher, of course, for an item like an extravagantly-cut negligee of Chinese Eurasian lamb, dyed either in powder-puff pink, mauve or green. It is styled like a peignoir, uses 50 pelts, and costs one thousand bucks.

But why hide such extra-

Eyes Right



Although she's 95, Mrs. Ada M. Macrea, who lives in the Ullca, N. Y. Masonic Home, gets along without having to wear eye-glasses. Here she shows how she trims her own dresses.

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Best wishes to you, friends 



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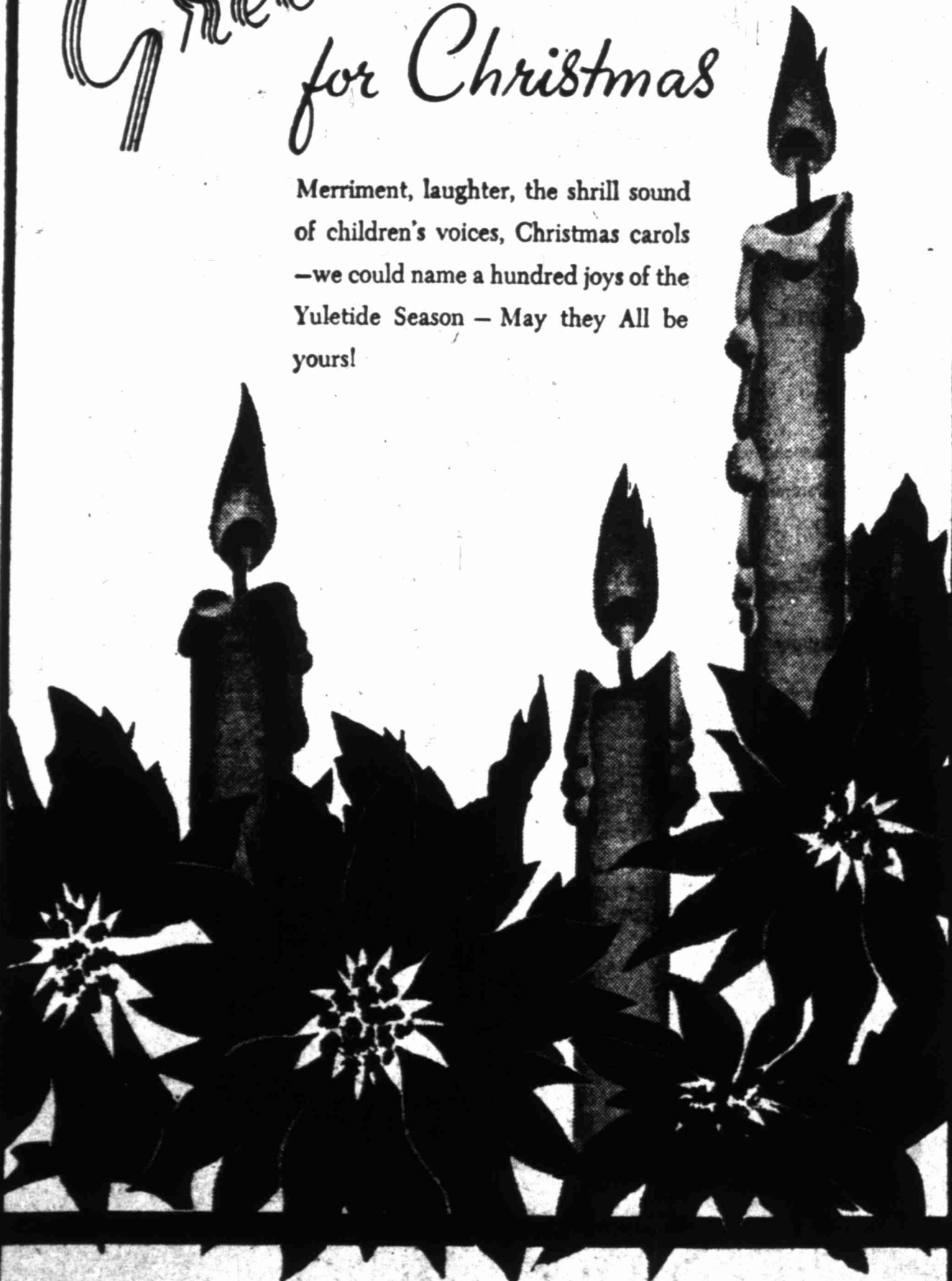
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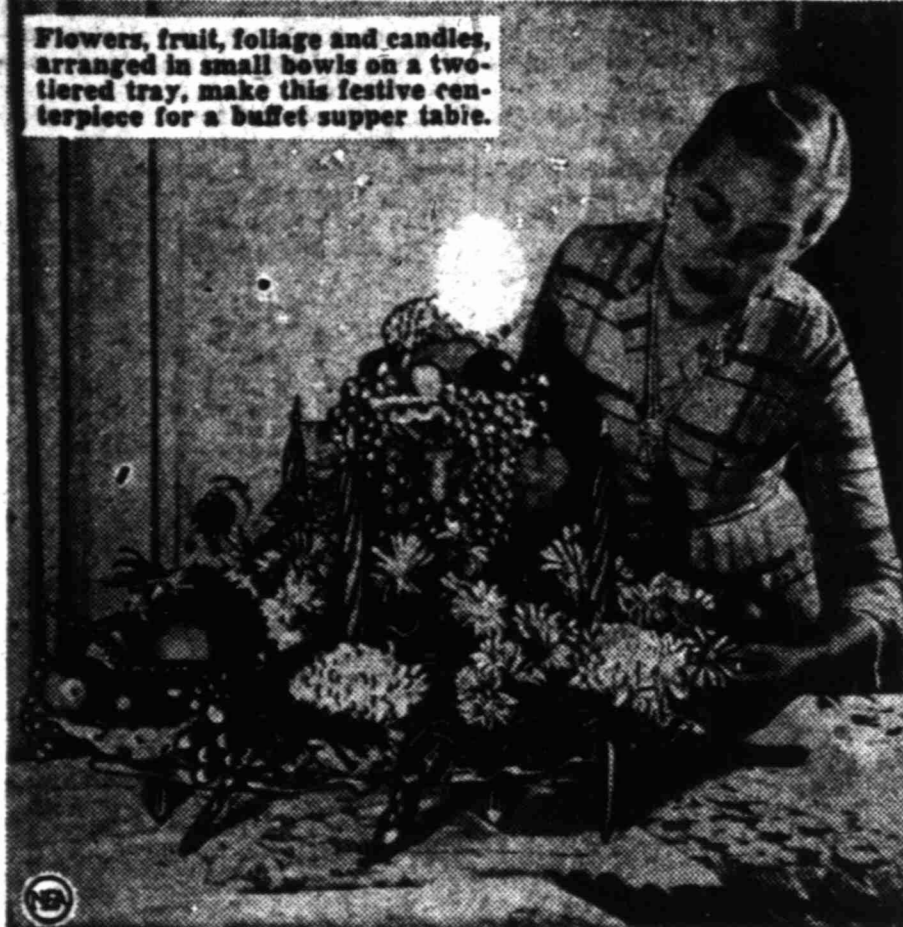
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Expert Tips On Flowers Promise Longer Life And Prettier Displays For Bouquets In Home

Flowers, fruit, foliage and candles, arranged in small bowls on a two-tiered tray, make this festive centerpiece for a buffet supper table.



By KAY SHERWOOD
NEA Staff Writer
MIAMI BEACH, FLA.—Want to learn tricks of making a few cut flowers look like a lot and the secret of adding days to their span of life?

Annual convention of the nation's top-flight floral designers offer a feast of ideas from which an amateur can serve herself. Help yourself, for example, to the idea of combining fruit with flowers to make a brilliant centerpiece. Mix with foliage and add tall candles to your clever arrangement to make a buffet table something which guests will applaud. Use a two-tiered serving tray as a base for this arrangement or im-

Use your own double-decker by centering a flat tray with a thin bottle or vase and fastening a saucer to the top with modeling clay. On the upper tier, arrange fruit and let long clusters of grapes dangle over the edge.

On the lower tier group small bowls. Fill some with fruit; others with short-stemmed flowers spiced with needles. Tall candles held in place with modeling clay may be added to the flower-filled bowls. Use green and varicolored foliage with a lavish hand to conceal bowls and to serve as a glossy background for the colorful assortment of flowers and fruit.

Another bright idea builds up height with an arrangement of short-stemmed posies. Simply spike posies, candles, cut in graduating lengths, on a needlepoint holder and anchor flowers around the tapes. Or copy the trick of making a colonial bouquet from stemless blossoms by massing them on a holder placed in a low circular glass bowl. Give bouquet a lace fringe by centering bowl on a lace paper doily.

Long-needed pine or cedar branches which may be left over from holiday decorating can be continued in use as bases for flower arrangements. To use as florists do, pluck needle-laden twigs from the larger branches and pack into a vase. Point needles upwards. Trim off tops of twigs about a half inch above container edge.

Here are ways to lengthen the life span of short-lived flowers. To prevent such multi-petaled blossoms as chrysanthemums and carnations from "shattering"—florists say that when one petal falls out the other petals will also tumble—drip candle wax



Long-needed pine twigs packed into shallow vase make a firm but resilient base for flower arrangements.

around the base of petals. If you see one petal drop, quickly drip the melting wax into the hole vacated by the petal to seal up the remaining petals.

Drooping roses can be perked up by rolling each flower in a newspaper from stem tip to head and keeping in warm water for a few hours. Warm water, say florists, can be absorbed more readily than cold. Slice stems at a sharp angle before rolling up in paper to permit flowers to absorb more water.

Another tip is a treatment to make foliage arrangements of rhododendron, magnolia, lemon leaves last from three to five times longer, and look glossier and more luxuriant. All you need to do, according to florists, is to give leaves an all-over coat of white shellac or a quick-drying artist's varnish. Apply with a small paint brush. For a novelty effect, try brushing leaves with white or pastel water paint. Treated branches must be arranged in water in the same way that untreated foliage is, but the sealing coat prevents air from drying or leaves from becoming discolored.

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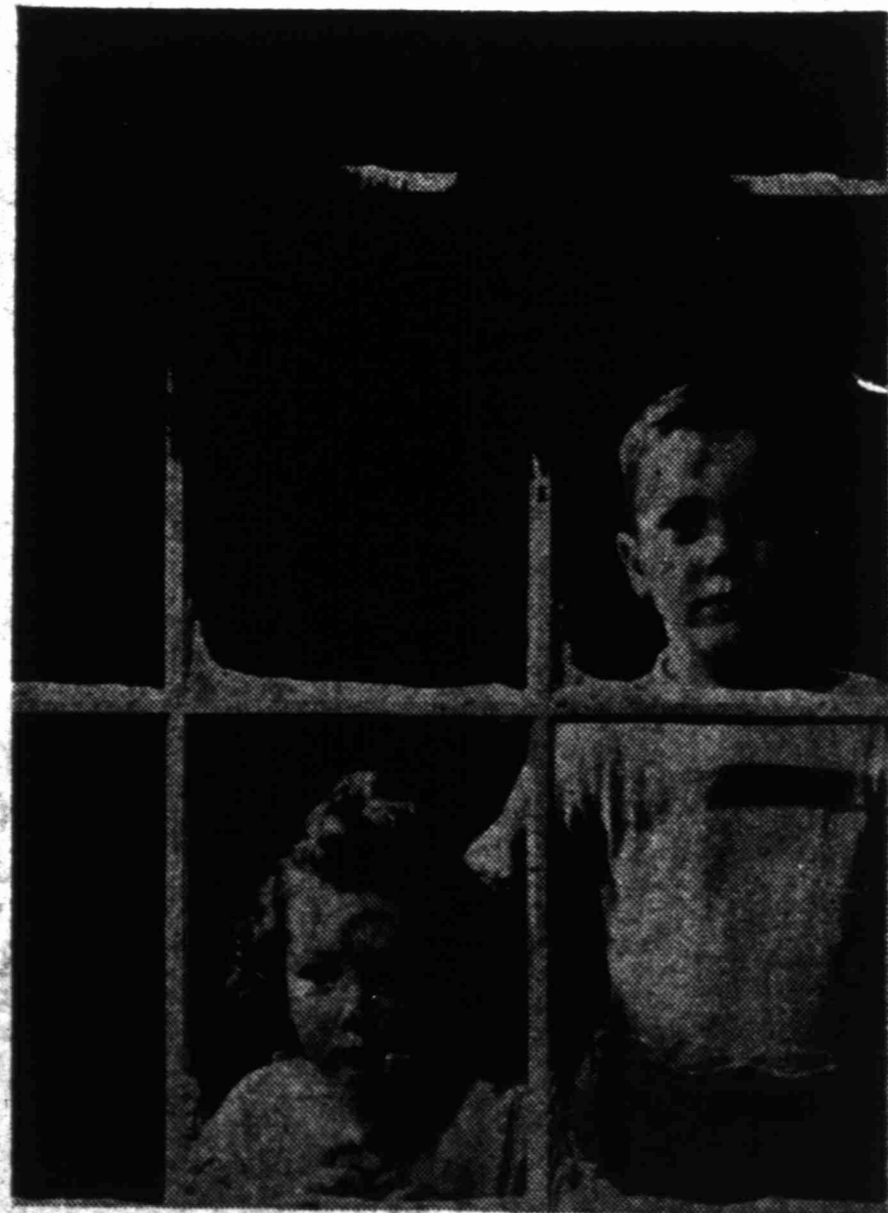
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For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward

mer

Teaching Child To Fear Reasonably Is Puzzle For Parents

By DAVID TAYLOR MARKE
AP Newswriter

Fear, which is at once a scourge and a blessing to mankind, is a problem for all parents of young children. According to Dr. Helen Ross, the balance between due caution and undue anxiety is a delicate one. That is why parents need great wisdom and great serenity based on an adequate sense of the matter's importance, if they are to guide their children.

We teach children not to turn on the gas, not to run out into a busy street, she says. We make use of our own fears and acknowledge to the child that danger exists in the service of his protection. Mothers and fathers

often are puzzled about this. Noted Educator

Dr. Ross, who is a noted educator and psychoanalyst, lectures at the University of Chicago and serves as consultant to social service groups. She believes the solution is to help the child avoid danger without being crippled by unreasoning fears.

For example, how can we teach a child that not all dogs are bad just because one dog knocked him down before he was strong enough to keep his balance or experienced enough to know that the dog was merely being playful?

Anxious parents, as a rule, have anxious children. If the mother is afraid of the dog, she may com-

municate her feelings to the child. "The subtlety of this communication cannot be overestimated. How often we hear a mother say: 'I was always afraid of thunderstorms,' and in the same breath complain that her child comes screaming to her at the first sound of thunder," she remarked.

Learn Confidence
Children learn fears, but also learn confidence—and they learn them both from their parents. A two-year-old child was once stung by a bee. Unafraid, he wanted to eat outdoors the next day, remarking that the bee that stung him was a bad bee.

Read The Classifieds.

Small Feet May Not Flatter Large Ladies

By ALICIA HART
NEA Staff Writer

A woman's pride in having small feet makes no sense if she is large and so are her legs. Yet you see evidence ever so often of the large lady who proves by the petite-looking shoes which she wears that she thinks dainty feet are an asset. This idea seems to be demonstrated particularly by older women who grew up in an era which made a fetish of small shoe sizes.

The reason this idea needs to be debunked is because tiny-looking feet on a large lady have a tendency to make her figure and legs look larger than they are. Nothing of

course, contributes more to a woman's appearance of discomfort than shoes that seem to be too small to give her adequate support.

Younger women who belong to the frankly larger-footed era of today, and who make no apology for taking a size 8 or size 9 shoe, are apt to look better proportioned because they wear more substantial looking shoes. There are women, believe it or not, who deliberately search for size-enhancing shoes because they know what larger-looking feet can do to make legs look slimmer.

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1948's Accomplishments In Oil Industry Ease Dark Look Of Supply And Demand

By MAX B. SKELTON
HOUSTON.—Oil industry problems of 1949 won't have a new look but 1948's accomplishments will have eased the pressure. A year ago the critical postwar battle of supply and demand was at its peak and a severe winter brought further complications. Since then, crude oil production has been increased by approximately 415,000 barrels daily and heating fuel oil stocks have climbed to a level which would have been considered fantastic last January. Optimism for the future prevails throughout the industry but spokesmen frankly admit their worries are not at an end.

leum products. Steel goods shortages continue to prevent maximum exploration for new reserves. Adverse weather or a prolonged strike could erase much of the luster of current optimism. The Interstate Oil Compact Commission's Economic Advisory Committee explains it this way: "Petroleum demand is now so large a small percentage change means a quantity substantial enough to affect materially the industry's problems." Followed closely by production leads the industry's 1948 accomplishments but is followed closely by improvements in transportation and expansion of research and plant facilities. The American Petroleum Institute estimates 1948's daily crude

production will average 5,500,000 barrels, an all-time high. The previous record, set last year, was 5,085,000 average. Crude runs to still in early December averaged 5,085,000 daily, compared with 5,300,000 a year earlier. As the 1948-49 winter season gained momentum, the industry had on hand surprising record stocks of heating fuel oil. Gas oil and distillate fuel stocks on December 4 totaled nearly 84,000,000 barrels, compared with 82,000,000 the same week last year. Residual fuel oil stocks totaled 98,300,000 barrels, compared with 55,556,000 last December. Gasoline stocks, despite the busiest, gas-hungry summer tourist season in years, totaled 95,000,000

barrels, 8,000,000 ahead of the same 1947 period. Other 1948 figures: 1. Wells drilling during the year are estimated at 32,000, against 27,000 in 1947. 2. Approximately 500 new fields were brought in, including particularly encouraging discoveries in the Rock Mountain areas of Wyoming, Montana, Colorado and Utah, and in central California and West Texas. 3. Expensive tidelands operations in the Gulf of Mexico resulted in discovery of seven fields—four oil (two in late 1947), three gas-distillate, and one dry gas. 4. An estimated 12,000 miles of pipe line construction was completed or initiated, with an almost equal division between natural gas and crude and refined petroleum products. Thousands of additional miles were in advanced stages of planning. 5. Plant expansions involved hundreds of millions of dollars, with particular emphasis on research and petro-chemical facilities. During 1948 the industry was subjected to more investigation and study by Congress than ever before in history. Just how the new Democratic


Congress of 1949 will react to the industry's problems is a puzzling situation for oilmen, but two matters—price control and clarification of state or federal ownership of the tidelands—will be paramount in the minds of industry spokesmen. Several companies with large lease areas off Louisiana and Texas have postponed tidelands operations until the controversial title issue is settled. Vital To Supply The American Petroleum Institute's committee on long-range availability believes extensive development of the mineral resources of the submerged lands is vital to the nation's oil supplies of the distant future. The industry concluded 1948 with a bit of a price war of its own. A stalemate continued in mid-De-

ember over a 35-cent per barrel hike in crude oil prices, originally posted September 28 by Phillips Petroleum Company. The increase, met only by a few companies, brought the mid-continent production area its first \$3-per-barrel crude since World War I. Advocates of the increase claim higher prices are essential to permit maximum explorations and to permit the industry to meet cost increases. Opponents, headed by the major companies, termed increases unnecessary and inflationary. Said R. S. S. Rodgers, chairman

of the board of the Texas Company, on December 8: "Supply and demand are on a worldwide balance. Under such conditions it isn't logical for prices to go up." But there is unity within the industry in opposition to government price controls. Spokesmen appearing before the numerous congressional committees this year repeatedly emphasized that without government control the industry could win, with greater speed and efficiency, the supply battle and prepare for future demands. Oilmen, acknowledging there still is much work to be done, believe 1948's accomplishments back up such a contention.

Cold Storage Stocks Decline In Texas

AUSTIN.—Cold-storage holdings of most fruits, vegetables, dairy and poultry products declined from October to November, the University of Texas Bureau of Research reported. In the fruit and vegetables group, only holdings of frozen vegetables rose during the month. Frozen poultry stepped up 25 per cent; meat and meat products, 10 per cent; and hides and pelts, 30 per cent. Nuts in cold storage increased more than four-fold from November 1947. Dairy products holdings fell 17 per cent from October and 35 per cent in a year's time.



Merry Christmas

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Berlin's Mayor



Ernst Reuter, newly-elected Lord Mayor of the legal Berlin government, wants the three western sectors of Berlin unified. "Complete reorganization of administration in the western sectors is being planned," said Reuter. He also wants the airlift to boost its daily tonnage from 4000 to 8000. (Photo by NEA-Acme staff correspondent Joe Schuppe.)

LETTERS from SANTA

The North Pole

Dear Children,

Here in Santa Claus Land we are as busy as bees. We didn't even take time out for lunch or our afternoon naps. So you can see just how busy we are. Mother Claus was afraid we would all become too tired so she brought in a huge pot of potato soup and set it down in the middle of the toy shop. Then she called us by name and handed to each a steaming bowl of soup. Of course, the elves drink theirs from silver thimbles because their thumbs are as large to them as our soup bowls to us. After the steaming soup, we all felt better. So we went back to our huge job of packing all of the toys.

I expect we shall be up until nearly midnight packing the rest of the toys. The sled stands in the middle of the room with the toy sack already in it. Tall ladders extend to its top while climbing up and down are the packing elves hoisting all manner of toys into the sack.

As I write, Mother Claus is checking my register to make sure I have listed all the toys your children have asked for in your letters. We want each one of you to be ever so happy this Christmas. Will be back in West Texas soon.

Love,
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No Santa Claus? Don't Tell That To Anthony Navarino

PATERSON, N. J. —(P)—Anthony Navarino, who wanted to sell one of his eyes to give his five kids a good Christmas, is 30 years old, but he believes in Santa Claus.

Until recently, Navarino was desperate. Bills were piling up. The electricity and gas had been turned off. He had no job. And, worst of all, his brood faced a miserable Christmas.

That did it, he decided. The only way he could think of to get money was to offer one of his eyes for sale for \$10,000 to be surgically transplanted.

Now, though, that's all just a bad memory.

After reading of his plight, more than 50 persons and business firms contributed to the flood of gifts that poured into his drab, four-room flat.

All Set For Winter

Now he has:

A job (The president of a glass company paid him a personal call to offer him work. Four other firms also offered him jobs).

A complete layette for his three-months-old daughter, Anna (from a woman who lost her child at birth).

Two tons of coal for the winter (from a coal company).

A station-wagon load of preserved

foods and staples (from the Volunteers of America).

Two chickens and 15 quarts of milk for the children (from, respectively, a grocer and a milk company).

Besides that, an anonymous donor offered to pay all back bills plus the rent through March "to carry him over the winter."

No Santa Claus? Pahaw!

Purple And Yellow Are Good Christmas Colors, Says Uninhibited Decorator

By DOROTHY ROE
AP Newsfeatures Writer

You don't really have to have red candles and evergreens for your Christmas decorations, says Carole Stupell, who glories in being a tradition-upsetter.

You can have a purple and chartreuse Christmas dinner table if you want to, and you can deck the mantel in cactus instead of boughs of holly, if that's the way your fancy runs.

The thing, says Miss Stupell, who'd rather be dead than traditional, is to be individual. Decorate your house the way YOU want it, not the way Grandma used to. Of course, if you're really mad for holly and mistletoe, by all means use them, but if you're a venturesome soul, don't be afraid to be different.

She says:

"Above all, the holiday table must not be static. Make it alive—give it rhythm and movement. It can be done, you know, and I don't mean by putting it on roller skates. Look at Van Gogh still life—it vibrates with movement. That's the way a table should be.

Shimmering Fabrics

"One way to achieve this effect is through the choice of table runner and place mats. Use the kind that are unseled or iridescent. [Use satins or other shimmering fabrics. You have lots of leeway at Christmas time. Use all the sparkle you can find, because Christmas is a sparkling occasion.

"You needn't be limited in the colors you select. Of course, reds and greens are always good traditional colors. But magenta and fuchsia and coral are more dramatic and unusual, and just as beautiful."

To prove her point, Miss Stupell points out a Christmas table setting in which the dominant color theme is deep purple. The table cloth is iridescent and throws off dancing lights which are reflected in the fluted blue glass dinnerware and the blue and crystal stemware.

But it's an unmistakable holiday table. It even has two small Christmas trees for decoration—but they're made of Christmas tree balls in all colors.

Focal Point

The centerpiece is a subject close to Miss Stupell's heart. Eyes alight, she warms to her subject:

"The centerpiece is the heart or focal point of the table. It's the thing around which you weave the spirit and pattern of your whole setting. But before deciding on your centerpiece, consider whether the table setting is for a formal dinner, informal party or buffet."

Among ideas she suggests for effective holiday centerpieces are: tall columnar candles draped with Christmas swags; sprays made of Christmas tree balls and tinsel leaves; decorative Christmas tableaux; or a group of angels (ceramic or paper) placed on small boxes of varying heights which are hidden by a cloud of misty spun glass—the effect is of angels suspended in clouds above the table.

A "can't miss" approach to holiday table setting, says Miss Stupell, is to use lots of silver and crystal, combined with individual touches.

She says:

"Just decorate the way you want to. Dare to be traditional, and see what fun it is!"

A quick and easy way to seal freshly cooked jelly into a glass with paraffin is to melt the paraffin in a porcelain-enamelled teapot and let the teapot spout direct the sealer in an even stream over the jelly or jam. Melt paraffin by placing in teapot in a pan of hot water. If you want to store paraffin in the teapot during the jelly-making period, cover the spout and the top to keep the sealer clean and ready for use.

Youth Designs Jet-Propelled Train



This model may be the train of the future. On display at the American Inventors' Exhibit in Chicago, the model is the work of George Lawner, 19, of Waukegan, Ill. He says such a train would be capable of speeds up to 350 miles per hour.

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An Honest Abe Is Wasted On Paris

By DAVID S. BOYER
 PARIS—(NEA)—One hour and 50 minutes of first grade Americana is dramatically but quietly going to waste on the fringe of Paris's gay Montmartre entertainment district.

Half a dozen short blocks up the hill, Americans by the hundreds swarm to the city's shows and night spots. Here at the St. George

Theater, just on the edge of Montmartre, the French are playing Robert Sherwood's stage hit, "Abe Lincoln in Illinois." And playing it magnificently.

Under the title of "St. Je Vis . . ." (If I Live . . .), it is, however, failing to attract very large American audiences. Frenchmen, who know as much about Abraham Lincoln as the average American knows

'Eyes . . . Like Christmas Candles'



The laughter and clapping was something to hear when Santa Claus visited children in the polio ward at Cleveland's City Hospital. Billy Stacy, seven, of Geneva, Ohio, only youngster in an iron lung in the hospital, listened wistfully to these gay sounds from his private room two doors away. He wished so hard he could be in the big ward with Santa and the others. Then he looked into the mirror on the iron lung—and saw Santa coming toward him with his pack of gifts.

Billy's eyes lighted up like Christmas candles. He was so overwhelmed he couldn't think of a thing he wanted for a present, except "maybe a sun visor to keep the overhead light out of my eyes." Santa is Burt Eisburg, who plays the role for a Cleveland department store.

ALL BUT ONE

Detroit Lion Quarterback Clyde LaFlore, in three seasons of college football at Tulsa, scored in all but one of the 27 games played by the Golden Hurricanes.

BREWERIES TO FACTORIES

A disastrous fire in Delft, Holland, helped transform that city from a brewing center to Europe's clay tile capital. Eighteenth-century tile makers selected sites of Delft's razed breweries for their factories.

The word "robot," used to describe mechanical devices, is derived from the Czech word "robti," meaning work.

FAN FIGURES

Roosevelt Race, Westbury, N. Y., attracted 1,863,746 customers during the 1948 season, an average of 13,861 fans for each of the 148 nights of harness racing.

Gelatin, of which more than 15 million pounds are used annually as deserts, is also used in photography and in medicine—to make capsules and to bind pills.

WITH candles gleaming everywhere we know it's time to send a

Happy Greeting

of Merry Christmas Cheer

Here's our very best wishes for the season

Paul Brooks and all the folks at—

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about Lafayette or Clemenceau, just couldn't care less. The Russians in Paris only attend "official" functions.

At the St. George, American theater-goers in Paris can glory in the illusion that Honest Abe has stepped down from his marble Memorial in Washington, D. C., to relive the years that preceded the Civil War. The Lincoln legend is as convincing in French as it was when Raymond Massey played "Abe Lincoln in Illinois" 10 years ago in the U. S.

Responsible for this remarkable circumstance is, mainly, another actor named Raymond.

Jacques Raymond Hermantier is an inspired 24-year-old French novice just kicked out of the National School of the French Theater (despite the fact he was a star student) because he is playing Lincoln under his own name.

Except for time out during the war to set dynamite charges in German night clubs in Paris, to spend seven months in German prisons, and later to have both hands mangled by a shell fragment, Raymond has pursued the vision of Broadway footlights since he was 10.

He spent most of his stage career in the French provinces, designing scenery, lighting sets, chasing properties and costumes, rewriting plays, and acting bit parts.

Leading Role

Thus he was able to conceive and build the scenery, plan the lighting, direct the acting and take the leading role in "Abe Lincoln in Illinois."

The play was pushed down Hermantier's throat last season by an American and a French-Canadian newspaperman who, struck with Raymond's acting and his resemblance to Lincoln, translated Sherwood's drama of the prairie years into French.

Hermantier transformed himself into a man who talked and walked and wondered and worried like Lincoln.

One thing only Raymond failed to do.

That was to find a photograph of Lincoln. Not until he had all but finished the grease paint-and-whisker routine which helps portray Abe from the age of 22 to a very tired and worn 51, did he compare his own conception of Abe Lincoln with photographs.

Although only five feet nine, and weighing less than 150 pounds, Hermantier's loose joints and impassioned feeling for the suppressed enormity of the man Lincoln, combine to convey the impression that he sometimes overstrides the stage in three steps. Aiding the illusion is a pair of colossal shoes, which Raymond had built to help give him a heavy, plodding gait. They add nearly an inch and a half to his height.

The result is one of the wonders of "St. Je Vis . . ."

PEACEPIPE

The word "calumet" is the name the French gave to the Indian peacepipe offered Pere Marquette when he explored the Chicago territory in 1675—and in that area there remains a river, lake and harbor by that name.

The Romance languages include Portuguese, Spanish, Provencal, French, Italian and Romanian.

★ TEEN TALK ★

AP Newsfeatures

Young girls love to sew and more and more of them are whipping up smart things that might make Mr. Dior take notice. Many of them find that interesting attractive garments are easy to do at home during off hours, cheaper than store-bought garments for small budgets, and better fitting.

At the recent 4-H Club congress in Chicago, 529 representative club members filled out sewing questionnaires, reports a trade paper.

Most of the girls said they preferred to sew cottons with corduroy, gingham, chambray, pique, percale and batiste top favorites. Wool was listed as second "easiest". The majority reported they made between 10 and 20 garments last year.

Recent 1947 statistics showed that 4-H club members made 1,944,977 garments in 1947.

4-H'ers are active on farms, too. Six of them were crowned national "Better Methods" champions and awarded college scholarships.

Jimmie Sutherland, 15, of Windsor, Mo., built a model electrified farm for demonstration purposes; Robert Norris 15, of Covin, Ala., set up a modern machine shop, built an electric brooder, some power tools and a paint sprayer; Joan Patten, 16, of Provo, Utah, had the home-making responsibility of four children after her mother died. Her time savers included cutting down the family wash from one day to half day. She also showed how to save more time with new dish washing methods.

City girls who complain about washing dishes occasionally, might take a peek at Joan's daily calendar. She does the housework, goes to high school, churns the butter, feeds chickens and cows, drives a tractor in the hay and grain seasons.

Better laundry methods also were worked out by Mardelle Hopkins, 16, of Walkersville, W. Va., and Tommy Dale Mullins, 17, of Portales, N. M. Tommy remodelled the laundry on her 640-acre ranch so that it is now virtually automatic.

Hazel Brock 16, Cordale, Ga., learned how to wire a house, mix paint and do other chores. She figures that the new electric brooder she planned will save 22 hours of walking annually.

Some of Junior Achievements bright young girls formed a new modeling agency called The Model-T's. The girls are offering their modeling and a "teen-testing" service to apparel and accessory manufacturers who wish to give their lines preliminary try-outs. The girls between the ages of 14 and 17 also have offered their services in showrooms at hours that do not conflict with school schedules.

Teen Department buyers from out-of-town stores listened with great interest to the girls' opinions at a recent fashion show.

They learned that the young set prefer the long fitted coats for Spring, tweeds, especially in classic, longer jackets and suits with box jackets which may be worn either belted or straight. They liked the longer length in skirts and coats.

Round 'n Round They Go . . . Frank Sinatra's "A Little Learning" is a Dangerous Thirteen (in two parts). Frank teams up with Pearl Bailey on this one. Pearl sings of her unfortunate romance and Frank offers sympathetic comments . . . "Slow Boat to China," is one of the most popular songs of the day, gets a lift with Benny Goodman's clarinet, orchestra and Al Henderson's vocal.

SALAD DESSERT

For a salad dessert fill canned peach halves with a cream cheese ball that has been rolled in finely chopped nutmeats; serve on lettuce or tomatoes with a mayonnaise-sour cream dressing.

Icebergs frequently are encountered far south of the Polar regions.

Our wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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Christmas Greetings

Here's a brief little message to those of you whom we have served the past year and to those whom we hope to serve next year—may this be a pleasant Christmas for you and yours.

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May your Yuletide be gay,
 Your family near,
 May your table be laden with food,
 May all our good wishes extended today
 For happiness, health and good cheer
 Bring you and your friends and those you hold dear—a Happy and Prosperous New Year!

Myrna Lynn Fashion Shoppe

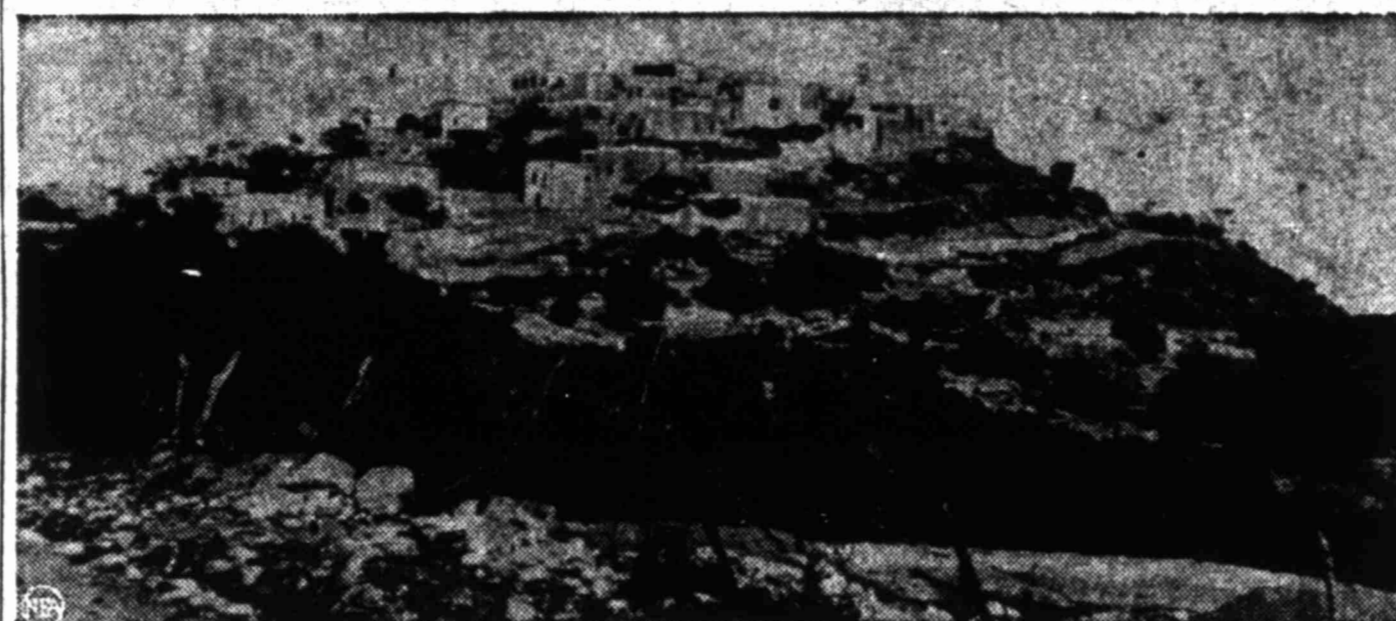
217 N. Main Mrs. Maurine Newsom Phone 1040



Treat For The Troops

At the request of the Air Force, these six Rockettes, from New York, will entertain service personnel in occupied areas of Germany. The girls will bring the boys "something from home for Christmas." Left, bottom to top, are Ann Kalman, Marion Block and Gloria Block. Right, bottom to top, are Olga Burke, Barbara Vaughn and Helen Fried.

Lunch At Father Andreas' House Brings Peace To Galilee Village



Atop a hill in Galilee, the village of Iqir was caught in cross-fire until peace came to stay. By E. F. ILANI. IQTIR, PALESTINE — (NEA) — At the foot of the story hill on which the Arab village of Iqir sits

Veteran Gives Trees Instead Of Trinkets

LOS ANGELES — (AP) — Edward S. Wiget, 74, is a different kind of Santa Claus—he gives Christmas trees instead of gifts. For some 28 years—he's not quite sure how long—Wiget has brightened the wards of Sawtelle Veterans Hospital here with beautifully decorated trees. He formed the Christmas Remembrance Committee to help him with the job. This year the group raised enough money to buy and adorn 300 trees. "I did it at first to cheer up friends that fought with me in the Spanish American War," Wiget says. "Once I got started I saw everyone enjoyed it so much that I didn't want to quit."

Iceland is one of the most volcanic regions of the earth, with activity continuous from the formation of the island until the present.

Kansas Grows Lemons, Too



Kansas is giving first aids to citrus lovers. With pardonable pride, Kansans point to this monster lemon, right, which dwarfs the normal-sized California fruit. It was grown on a tree in Oswego.

Everybody Likes to Say...

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So do we! It has a meaning all its own and when we express these sentiments we are truly mindful of the fine friendships we have enjoyed in the past. May this Christmas be your happiest.

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Arabs of Iqir and soldiers of Israel sit down to their peace luncheon. Father Andreas (extreme left), host, wrote the peace song an Arab orphan (center) is singing.

In northern Galilee, Father Andreas met the Israeli Army officers and led them back to the hill for lunch. In the priest's house, the Israelis and the villagers sat down to a meal of roast chicken, potatoes, cheese, olives, onions, wine, arak, and coffee. Father Andreas and an Israeli



Villagers of Iqir are Arabs, belong to Catholic faith, and prayed for Israelis to win.

Army captain sat side-by-side at the head of the table. An Arab orphan, who will some day be Father Andreas' successor, sang a song the priest had written for this special day. Outside, other villagers watched through the windows and waited their turn to eat what was left over. This was the way peace came to stay in a tiny corner of Palestine, where the Arab village, all of whose people are Catholics had prayed for an Israeli victory in the midst of cross-fire between Jewish forces and the Arab "irregulars" of Fawzi el Kaukji. Before the battle, Father Andreas said, their crops had been looted and their livestock stolen, but Moslem authorities in the district would give them no justice. So when the Israeli forces arrived, Father Andreas went to them with a peace offer and asked that his

WE the WOMEN

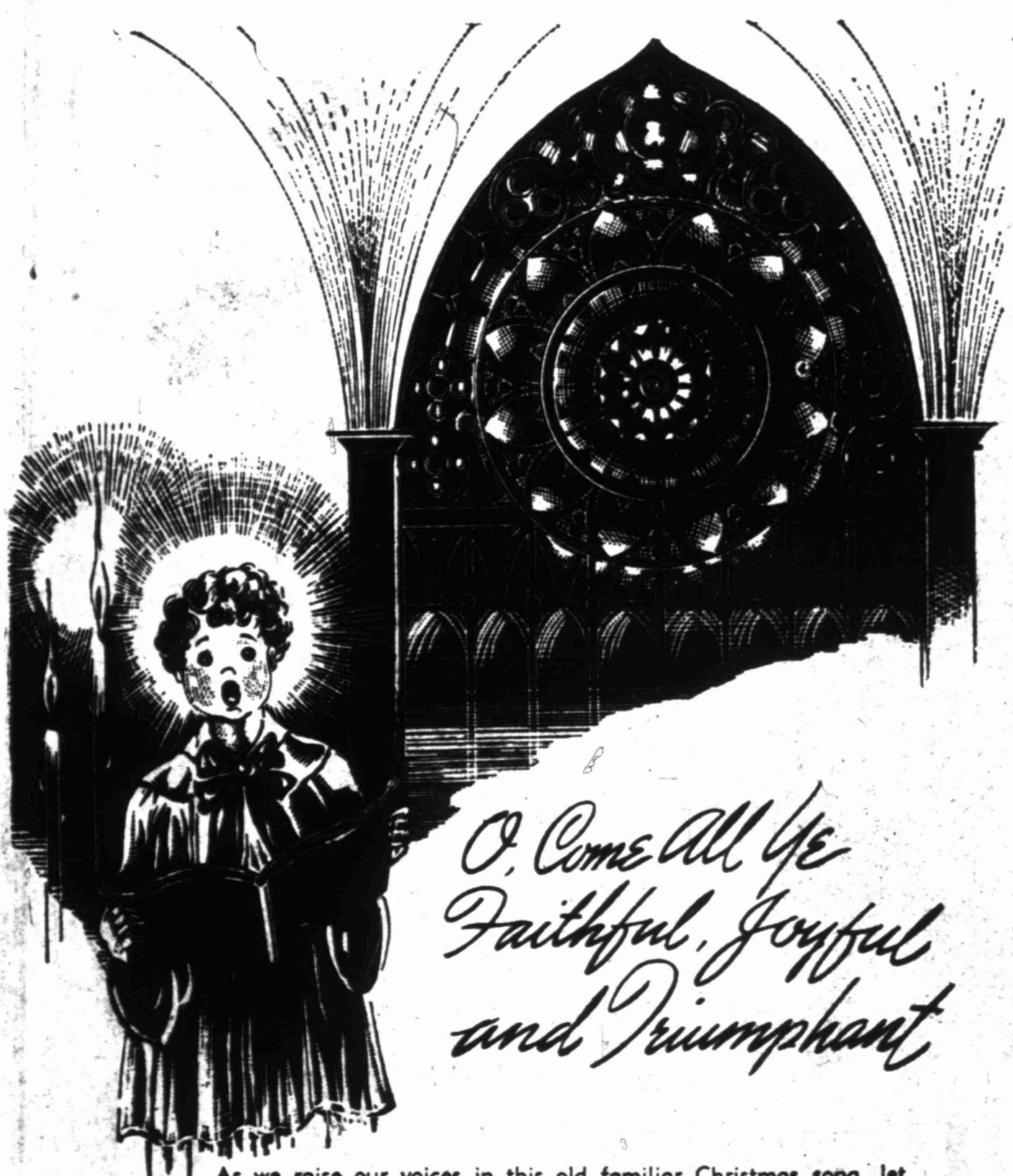
By RUTH MILLETT
NEA Staff Writer
A psychologist has done women teachers a grave injustice. And he was trying to help them out, too. Speaking before the Connecticut Education Association, Dr. James F. Bender, director of the National Institute for Human Relations, urged men to marry school teachers, pointing out 10 sensible reasons why school teachers make the best wives. A psychologist should have known better. Men never marry the girls who are pointed out to them as sensible choices. Nothing so scares a man away from a girl as having his family and friends tell him what a good wife she would make. Fatal Mistake
Dr. Bender even made the fatal mistake of listing as one reason why school teachers make good wives: "They are eager to marry..." That's another thing that absolutely kills another girl's chance. Once she let's it get around that she's "eager to marry" the men are scared to death of her. It's not mere chance that she remarks, "She'd make some man an awfully good wife." It's almost always followed by, "I wonder why she has never married?"

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

To everyone whom we are privileged to call "friend and neighbor" go our heartfelt expressions of the Season's joyous sentiments.

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As we raise our voices in this old familiar Christmas song, let us be reminded of the birth of Him whom we worship on this Christmas morn. May the spirit of His teachings guide us toward a world of better understanding with happiness and good fellowship for all.

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Mrs. Una Elliott, Mrs. Vera Lay, Mrs. Stella Barber, Mrs. Ethel Suehrle, Mrs. Asha Mayfield, Mrs. Katie Stevens, Miss Margaret Yeats, Mrs. Faye Dye, Florence Allen.

Kitten on the Keys



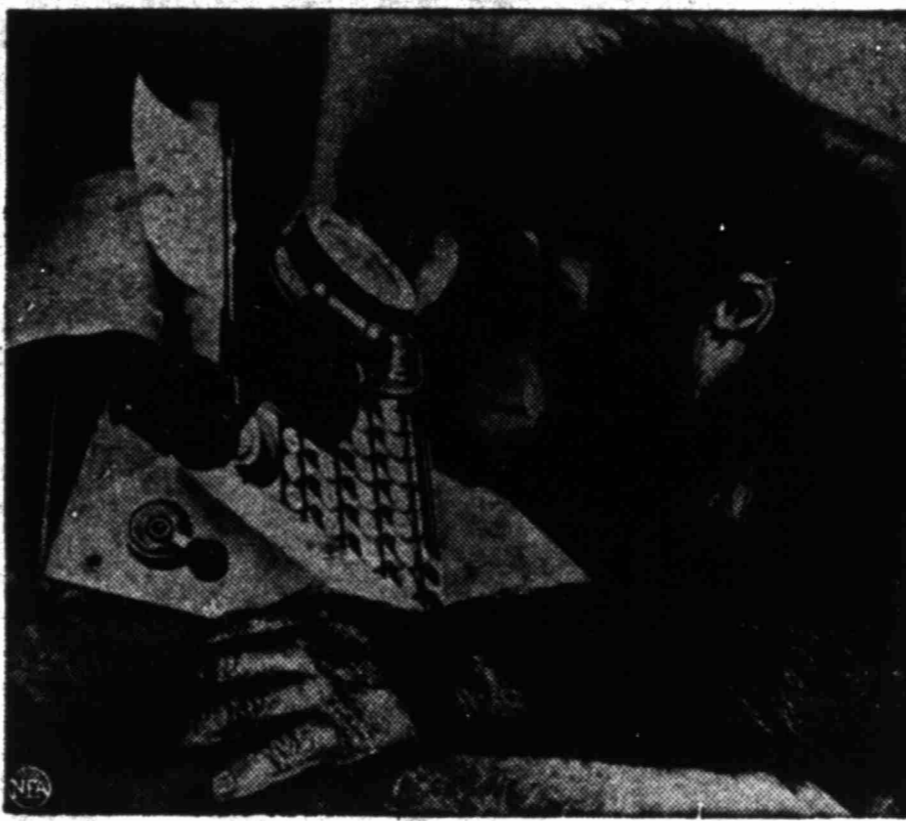
Smoky's just kitten with his typing act, because he's feeling pretty good. The pet of a Baloit, Wis., shade shop owner, Smoky really isn't an accomplished typist, but who cares?

Look, Doc, Do Andy A Favor: Don't Show Your Report To Any Lady Apes

NEW YORK—(NEA)—Andy, the orangutan, squatted in front of a typewriter in the nursery of the Bronx Zoo and squared off at the keyboard.

He wasn't writing a letter to Santa. Andy was letting off steam at a group of scientists who have just finished a behavior research project at the zoo, with the idea of throwing new light on the whys and wherefores of human behavior.

They studied chickens, Indian Sika deer and Black Buck antelope, Barbary sheep, penguins and elephants. And anthropoids—monkeys and apes. Andy is an ape, orangutan style.



Andy, the orangutan: What the scientist said made him write a letter—well, at least he looks as if he could.

Army Parlings Old But Still Bring Tears In China

By WALTER BRIGGS SHANGHAI—(NEA)—Perhaps it's old stuff to Army wives and their kiddies, but it always brings tears.

Once again they are being pulled away from their soldier husbands. A few years ago it was a world war. Before or since it has been a change of station. Today it is China's civil war.

The 900-odd dependents of officers and men of the Joint United States Military Advisory Group are pulling out of China in the face of the Chinese Communist advance. One group of them left on the U. S. Army transport Republic.

With them, by Army arrangement, went civilians who are fleeing China, too: men who have spent a lifetime in business here, Chinese-Americans, exchange students, professors.

"I'll be home soon," a captain could be heard saying to his attractive wife. "Don't worry, honey. They'll get us out of this mess in time."

"Take care of yourself, Harry," shouted another wife, waving from a dock to a young man in a camel's hair coat on the dock.

And a youngster who might have been four or five looked up. "Shoot those dirty old Reds for me, daddy."

There were tears in some eyes for another reason: Shanghai was home to many of these people after years of residence here. Much as they may hate its crowds, noise and dirt, these Old China Hands revel in its easy life, intrigue and excitement.

Perhaps the most senior passenger was the Rev. James M. Wilson, of Louisville, Ky. For 36 years an Episcopal missionary in China, Wilson has made a similar trip before. After months in a Japanese concentration camp, he was repatriated on the Swedish ship Gripsholm in 1943.

"Of course I'm glad to be going now," the missionary said. "Anybody would under conditions in China now." But he wished that things were different in China, that it was a country fit to remain in.

And what did they say about the animals?

Well, explained Dr. Bernard F. Riess, co-ordinator of the project for the New York Academy of Sciences, it's still too early for scientific conclusions, but:

Only the anthropoids—the apes and the monkeys—showed the same meanness, the same niceties, and (this is what made Andy mad enough to write a letter) the same tendencies toward stealing the other fellow's girl and the same general orderliness of human society.

Other groups, Dr. Riess says, there is straight-line dominance. The male Barbary sheep dominate the female, and the females dominate the kids. In Sika deer society, the female dominates.

Penguins mate and stay mated, and a widow penguin is forced to mope around on the fringe of society. The Black Buck antelope, boss of the herd, it so busy protecting its crown from the young or pretenders he has no time for lady antelopes.

And the monkeys, apes, or orangutans?

"If the dominant monkey loses his mate to a less dominant one, he'll go after the love thief and thrash him if possible," Dr. Riess said.

"If he thrashes the love thief, he gets back his mate. But that doesn't mean the loser loses interest. He'll try to get her back, and the female usually tries to steal away to the intruder."

Andy reviewed the scientist's remarks, and took a healthy swipe at the typewriter.

Go ahead and stick your nose into the behavior of apes, Dr. Riess, Andy wrote. He doesn't even care if women go around claiming their errant spouses are nothing but big apes. But keep your scientific papers away from the lady apes, especially the orangutan ladies.

Tehran Plans Soldier Monument

ROME—(AP)—An expatriate Hungarian sculptor will leave Rome for Tehran shortly to start work on a monument to the Iranian soldier.

American Irma Tot, who has lived in Italy since 1933, was employed for the job by the Shah of Persia during the ruler's visit to Italy last August.

According to Tot, the monument will commemorate the Iranian soldiers in the recent conflict with Russia when they stuck stubbornly to their positions after all their of-

ficers had fled. Tot's soldier will be represented as running forward, calling his comrades to follow him.

On the base, Tot said, will be a round band with sculptures recalling the ancient stories of Persia, while two sides of the monument will bear a bas-relief reproducing scenes of modern Iranian history.

A former parachute trooper with the Allied armies in Italy, Tot has a fine collection of drawings and gouaches of his war-time experiences.

ELECTRIC TRAIN FOR URALS PASSENGERS

MOSCOW—(AP)—The first electric train has started operation in the Urals. Although electric locomotives have been used for some time on electrified sections of Urals tracks, passenger trains continued to run on steam. It is now announced in "Izvestia" that between Chelyabinsk and Zlatoust electric passenger trains are already running.

Old Icelandic, spoken in Iceland and Greenland, is closely akin to Norwegian.

Merry Christmas

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Good Cheer
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Poland Plans New Building

WARSAW—(AP)—The war-ravaged city of Warsaw has made so much progress in salvaging and rebuilding what the Germans demolished that accent in the future is to be placed upon "new buildings." Poles, working day and night, and often without the aid of machinery, have cleared hundreds of thousands of tons of debris and rubble from the city and rebuilt living places for the present-day population of 800,000. In 1939, a total of 1,289,000 Poles lived here.

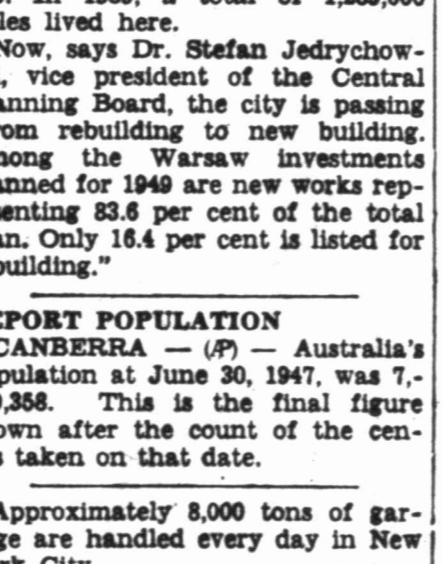
Now, says Dr. Stefan Jedrychowski, vice president of the Central Planning Board, the city is passing "from rebuilding to new building." Among the Warsaw investments planned for 1949 are new works representing 83.6 per cent of the total plan. Only 16.4 per cent is listed for rebuilding.

REPORT POPULATION CANBERRA—(AP)—Australia's population at June 30, 1947, was 7,579,358. This is the final figure shown after the count of the census taken on that date.

Approximately 8,000 tons of garbage are handled every day in New York City.

Ming, Coy

"Flight (but not too fast) from pursuing lover" is the symbolism of this pose by Ming Coy, 24-year-old, Chinese-born interpretive dancer currently appearing in New York. She specializes in traditional Chinese dance.



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO ALL

In the spirit of friendliness and good cheer we express our compliments of the season to all. Thank you for your many favors. Our sincerest good wishes for an old-fashioned Yuletide and a full season of happiness.

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John Casselman

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Christmas is the time we remember our old friends and look forward to new friends. So our good wishes ring out for all... "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year," no words are richer in good cheer.

Virtue's

She Shows Her Colors



In the works for six months, this dress has the flags of all the United Nations on its ample skirt. Mme. Basterreix, French artist, displays the creation in Paris. The jacket is lined with the flags of other countries, not yet admitted to the U.N. (Photo by NEA-Acme staff correspondent David Boyer.)

Drama Department Members To Attend Washington Meeting

AUSTIN—Five University of Texas drama department members will attend the American Educational Theater Association convention in Washington, D. C., December 28-30.

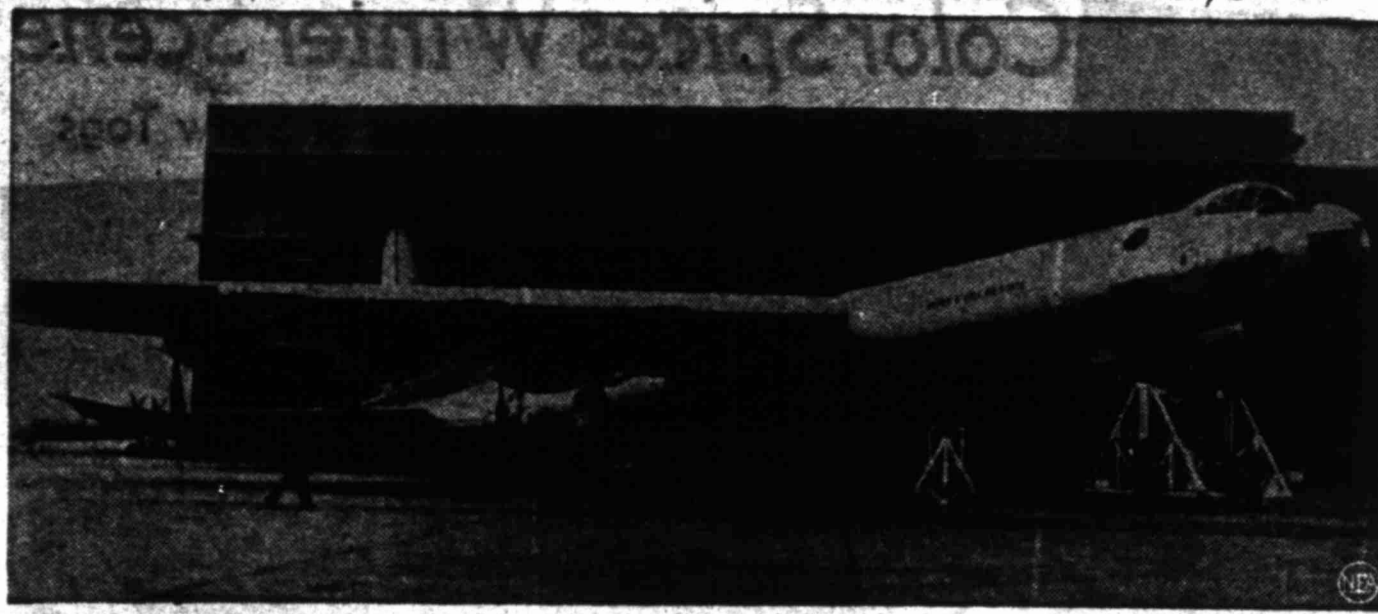
Loren Winship, drama department chairman, will deliver an address on "Factors Concerning Selection of Plays." And Professors James Moll and Richard Lipcomb will participate in panel discussions.

Also representing the department will be Ben Iden Payne and Miss Lucy Barton.

DECAFFEINATED COFFEE DISCOVERED IN 1903

The way to decaffeinate coffee was finally discovered in 1903 when a shipment of coffee was deluged with seawater during a storm—and the beans reacted strangely. The reaction suggested a new process to scientists.

Largest Bomber Must Come Out Sideways



With a 330-foot wingspan, the Convair B-36, world's largest bomber, must come out of the building where it was built sideways, since the door is only 200 feet wide. It was turned around inside the assembly building in Fort Worth, Tex., before tractors pulled it out. Another necessary maneuver was to jack up the nose so that the 47-foot-high tail would be lowered enough to clear roof trusses.

Principals To Get Special Training

AUSTIN—Inexperienced elementary school principals of Texas need not approach their new jobs "cold," thanks to new courses planned by the University of Texas to orient them in their duties.

The College of Education next Summer, for the first time, will offer two specialized courses designed to improve leadership for elementary education.

An elementary principal who already has become thoroughly familiar with his job will teach a new course titled "The Beginning Elementary Principal." He will be assisted by superintendents, other principals, and members of the regular faculty. This course will be given July 15-August 22.

Another new course to give practical, high level help to those responsible for the supervising instruction at the elementary level will be called "Practicum in Supervision." Dr. Henry J. Otto, professor of elementary education, and a staff of experienced supervisors will direct the course. Principals, special and general supervisors will be especially interested in the course, Dean L. D. Haskew said.

TEEN AGERS IN ACCIDENTS

JEFFERSON CITY, MO.—"Traffic accidents involving teen-aged drivers," published by the safety division of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, the first state report emphasizing this age group, reveals that teen-aged drivers accounted for 78 fatal accidents and 1,171 persons-injured accidents in 12 months. For 17-18 and 19-year-olds, the accident peak was reached late at night during hours of darkness.

Among the members of the rodent family are porcupines and beavers.

Bad News For Unmarried Girls—And At Christmas, Too—In Bachelor Shortage

By CYNTHIA LOWERY
AP Newsfeatures Writers

It has certainly never been the intention of this pillar (a synonym for "column" I picked up the other day) to dash people's hopes—and right before Christmas, too.

But I feel it my duty to pass along the bad news with the good. And, sisters, this is indeed bad news. To wit: bachelors are becoming as scarce as 50-cent blue-plate specials.

The United States Census Bureau which isn't much influenced by whimsy straws in the wind, indicates that finding a husband is currently a girl's hardest job.

Eligibles Decrease

In 1940, the bureau reports rather starkly, one man out of three who was between the ages of 20 and 45 was eligible for an altar date. As of last year, the number has dropped down to a mere one in four.

This grave situation is one which should give everyone, from blushing maidens to ambitious parent, something known as "pause."

Let's consider the implications from a number of angles. In the first place the decline of the bachelor may be one of the nicest compliments ever paid to American women. It may mean that during the past seven or eight years our hunting techniques, charm and personality have improved so that more of us are irresistible.

Maybe it means that a lot of gentlemen had their ladies all

picked when a small war intervened. Or maybe it means that today's perfumes accomplish the miracles attributed to them.

Traditional Cats

But how about the legion of ladies who'd like to be wed? With only a small handful of bachelors around, some of the sisters are going to be left with futures filled with the traditional cats, canaries and good works.

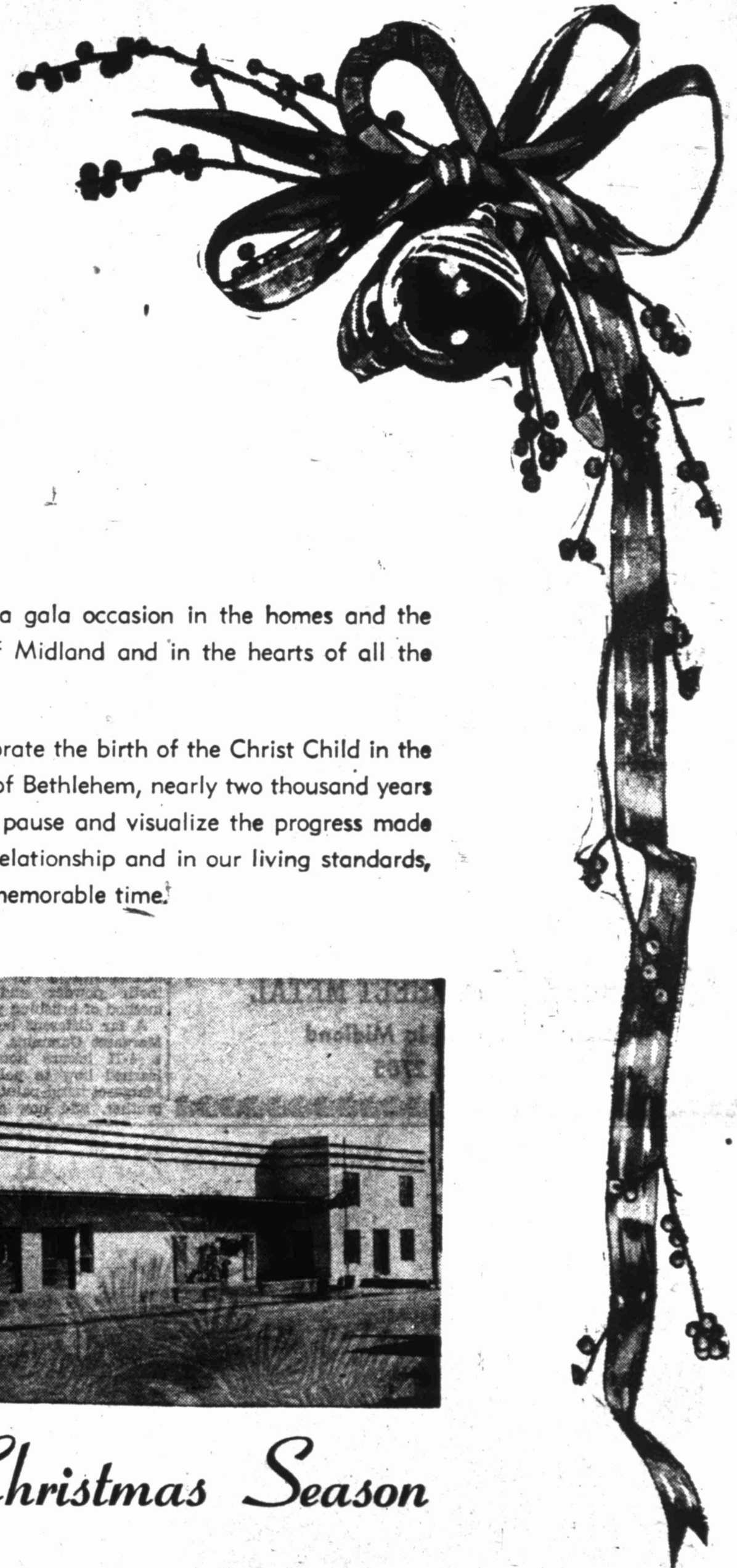
This is a grim enough prospect. But what effect is this situation going to have on the remaining bachelors, pursued and beset by a raft of women with determined looks in their eyes? It will either frighten them so they'll take to the woods and hermit's caves, or make them completely insufferable, conceited bores. There doesn't seem to be any middle ground.

Back Street Overtones

One hopes, however, that the shortage of marriageable males won't presage an American adoption of the European dowry system. But with income taxes what they are, this isn't beyond the realm of possibility. One hates to think of romance, American style, degenerating into a marriage of convenience with back street overtones.

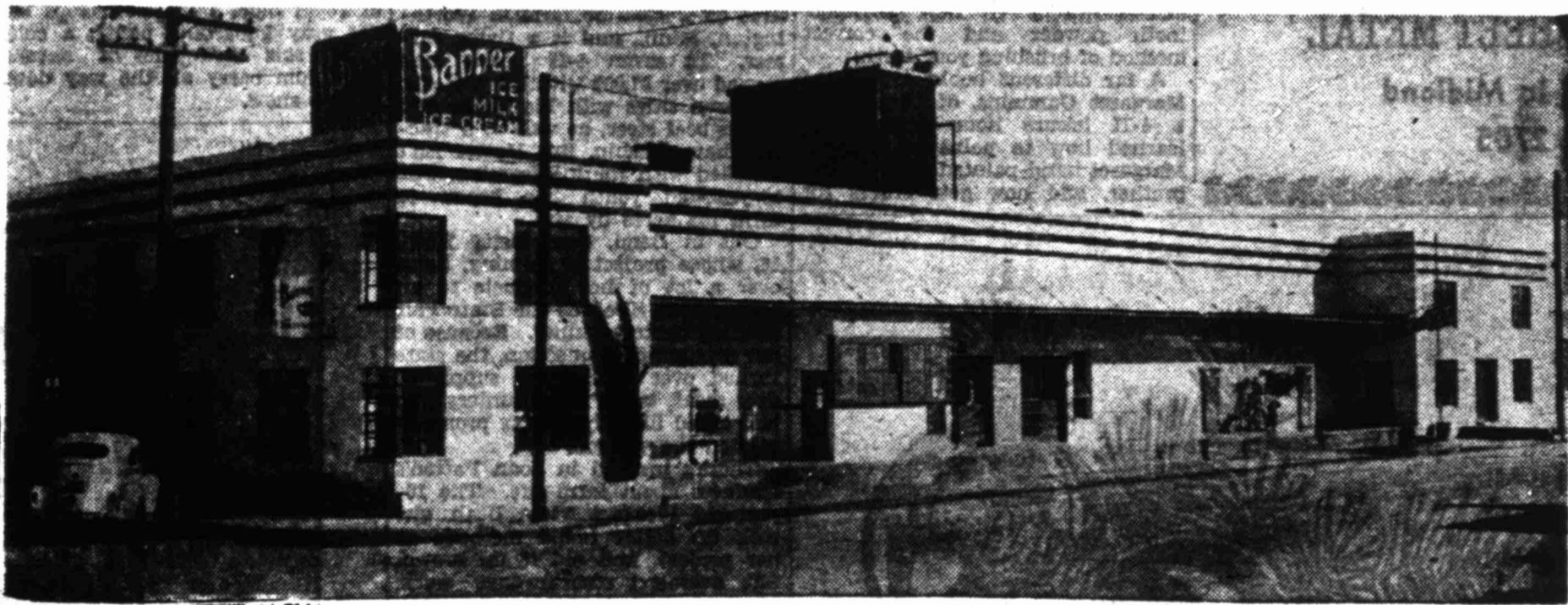
Don't despair, however. There's a way to beat statistics: 1. Find the one and only before he turns 20 and eats the gay fruit of bachelorhood. 2. Sit out grimly, and catch him when he emerges, feeble and sort of senile, into the twilight years beyond 45.

Christmas 1948



May it be a gala occasion in the homes and the churches of Midland and in the hearts of all the people.

As we celebrate the birth of the Christ Child in the little town of Bethlehem, nearly two thousand years ago, let us pause and visualize the progress made in human relationship and in our living standards, since that memorable time!



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We want to thank you, our customers, for the patronage that has kept the pace of the growth of Banner in step with the expansion of a fast growing Midland.

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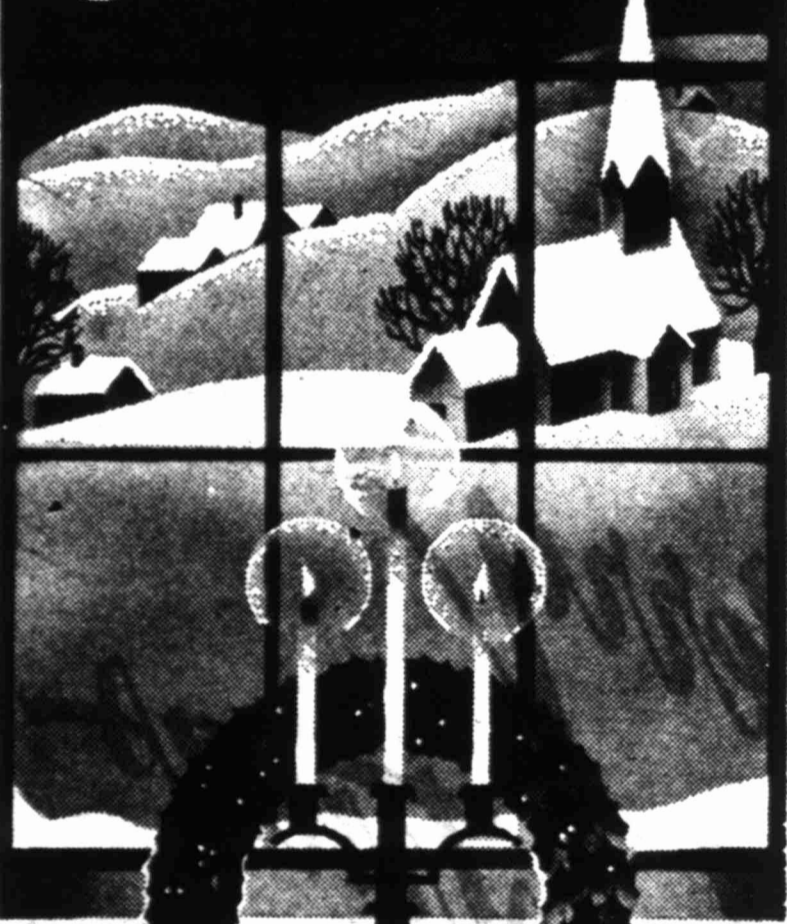
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'Winter Complaints' Are Health Hazards

AUSTIN—Every mother is familiar with childhood illnesses known commonly as "summer complaints," but many mothers fail to realize that the winter season brings its quota of "winter complaints" from which young children must be carefully protected.

In stressing this important fact, Dr. George W. Cox, state health officer, says: "Certain winter diseases are just as harmful and just as likely to make their appearance as summer ailments, unless children are safe-guarded against them."

In the group of winter health hazards, Dr. Cox included influenza, colds, tonsillitis, pneumonia, bronchitis, asthma, and diphtheria when no immunization has been given.

Read The Classifieds.

History Contest For Students Announced

AUSTIN—A first prize of \$100 will be awarded the winner of the 1948-1949 Junior Historian Contest sponsored by the Texas State Historical Association. Twelve papers will receive awards totaling \$345.

Contest entries may deal with any topic in Texas history, but contestants are urged to work on some subject related to their community or local history. Suggested for topics are: cattle, trails, saddles, Indian depredations, transportation, natural history, exploration, oil, economic, political, or biographical subjects.

April 1, is announced as the closing date of the contest. Interested persons are invited to write for further information to the Junior Historian, Box 2131 University Station, Austin 12, Texas.

Color Spices Winter Scene

New Skis Match Brilliant Hues of Snow Togs



BY EPSIE KINARD
NEA Fashion Editor
NEW YORK—The something-new that will streak down snowy slopes this Winter will be colored skis. This under-foot equipment gained admission into fashion's gay

accessory field when ski-makers changed over from wood to aluminum and brightened snow-skimming staves with color. Flexible, swiftly-moving skis with spring action control may be matched to or contrasted with

vivid ski togs. There's proof of their color-adaptability in the matches shown with designer Georgette Tholliere's bright new ski fashions.

Take the electric blue that's heading for the slopes as one of the season's favorite colors for ski clothes. For proof that a color-scheme can outfit herself in electric blue from cap to skis, see the girl in action (right). She wears skis color-matched to a cap and weakly-styled reversible jacket of blue leopard printed poplin, a color which is repeated to good effect in the all-blue gabardine pants. The model clicking the camera (left) is dressed as brilliantly as a sun bird in yellow gold, which is the color of her "Legionnaire" cap, tunic-styled jacket and skis. Her gabardine pants are black and so is the wide leather belt which belittles her middle.

Another color-match is seen in the silver gray and royal blue outfit (center). A fur-trimmed parka of royal blue. Byrd cloth tops silver gray gabardine pants, a color which skis and poles of natural aluminum carry all the way down to the snow.

Arkansas 4-H Club Member Makes Her Own Toothpowder

By RICHARD KLEINER

CHICAGO, ILL.—(NEA)—America's farm youngsters don't all raise pigs or calves or wheat to win 4-H honors.

Emma Lee Williamson, 16, of Grubbs, Ark., is the 4-H tooth powder girl, for instance. She's also the health queen of Jackson County. As part of her health project, she made her own tooth powder. Now she goes around the state, giving demonstrations on how to make tooth powder and the correct method of brushing your teeth.

A far different hobby is that of Margaret Cummins, of Dix, Ill. In a 4-H leisure hour project she learned how to paint on textiles. Margaret hand-painted a tie for her brother, and now gets orders for

hand-painted neckwear from his friends. She has an art scholarship at James Milliken University.

In the cooking department, Marjorie Hacking does things off the beaten track, too. Marjorie, who hails from Thornton, Ida., took second place in the National Junior Vegetable Growers' Contest. But she likes to cook, and one of her favorites is cookies—made from carrots.

Then there's Homer Wass, who lives on a 320-acre farm in Worthington, Minn., and is a flying farmer. In seven 4-H years, he's earned over \$7,000 with his projects, and won titles with his lambs and Angus beef steer, as well as a tractor championship. But Homer isn't satisfied with routine farming. The 19-year-old youth has begun to farm his acres by air.

Out in Bend, Ore., Betty Koth, 16, whose project is canning, turns over a lot of her products to an orphanage. She was the State Fair canning contest winner. Because of her orphanage connection, the state turned over to Betty a supply of deer meat, taken from hunters who had killed illegally. Betty promptly canned the venison.

There's method in Joan Patten's madness about farm life. The 16-year-old Pleasant View, Utah, girl took up better home methods as her project, and did it up brown. She averaged several days' work, and found that dishwashing took 761 hours, 49 minutes a year, and she walked 12 1/2 miles doing the dishes. Applying better methods, she cut that to 288 hours a year, and a little over two miles of walking.

Footwork is David Pratt's forte, too. The Ithaca, N. Y., 4-H lad won a \$500 scholarship award in the production marketing contest of the National Junior Vegetable Growers Association. His winning crop also was good for \$642.08 in profits. But he didn't spend all his time plowing and weeding. He's top man on the high school track team, too, as a distance runner.

And then there's Edward Hill, 17, of Garland, Tex., who was that state's winner in the field crop contest on his 165-acre farm. Edward's crop was certified hegari. That's right, certified hegari.

Promoted



James J. Maloney, 52, has been promoted from chief of the Secret Service to be chief co-ordinator of all Treasury Department enforcement agencies. After service in France in World War I, he became a policeman in his native Binghamton, N. Y., and joined the Secret Service in 1931. In his new post he supervises investigative work of the Secret Service, Internal Revenue Bureau tax and intelligence units, Narcotics Bureau and the customs agents.

Christmas Greetings to All



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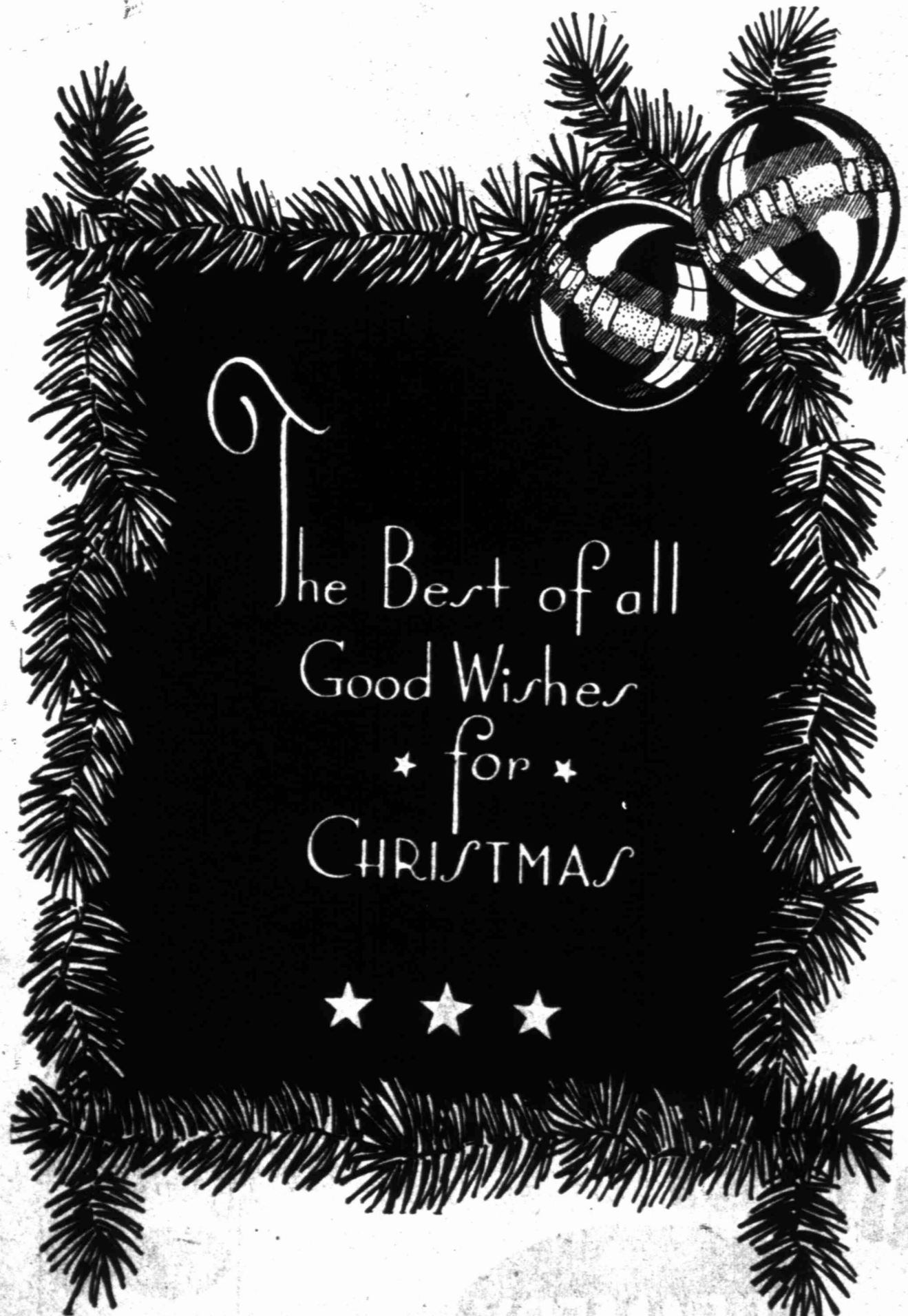
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RESEARCH SCIENTISTS JOIN UNIVERSITY STAFF

AUSTIN—Two research scientists have been added to the University of Texas ceramic engineering department staff.
I. E. Buck, who holds a Bachelor of Science degree in ceramics from Pennsylvania State College and has had several years' experience in industry, will be a departmental instructor and a research scientist in the Ceramics Research Laboratory.
Also joining the research laboratory staff is Frank Mabury, former owner of the 'Alamo' Clay Products company at Mississippi, to do research on structural clay products.
Rain is formed by the further condensation of the moisture in a cloud.

Moscow Sees New Plays This Season

MOSCOW—(P)—Moscow theaters are putting on a number of new plays this season.
One of these is an American Drama, "All My Sons" by Arthur Miller. It is being given by the Yachting Theater. Among other new plays are "Mother" adapted from a novel by Gorky, "On the Other Side" dealing with the war in Manchuria by first-time author Bryanov, "They Didn't Wait" by Boris Polyakov, "The Noblemen's Feast" adapted from the novel of the same name by Turgenyev, and half dozen other new plays mostly dealing with contemporary Soviet life or war experiences, some of them by new authors.

Blonde, 35, (Looks 25) Seeks Mate



Mrs. Beatrice De Molet, 35, wants Santa Claus—or someone—to put her in touch with a future husband, object matrimony. Her dream boat must have \$3000 to \$5000 in the bank, a big heart, good character and a steady job. Clevelanders will have the edge on other applicants. The twice-divorced Dayton, Ohio, mother of two says she's a good cook and housekeeper and has "a figure just as good as any of the models you see and read about." That's son Dennis, 2, she's reading to; son James, 16, goes to high school and works after school.

Swiss, Austrians Have Border Talks

RORCHACH, SWITZERLAND—(P)—Negotiations were begun here between Switzerland and Austria recently for the renewal and amendment of agreements for control of the 20-mile reach of the Rhine River forming the Swiss-Austrian frontier.
A preliminary discussion opened a preliminary discussion in the control of traffic across and along the river and supervision of the frontier.
A full-scale Swiss-Austrian conference to settle these problems is expected to open in Vienna early next year.

Greetings

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Highway Stations Offer First Aid

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Some 2,000 highway stations stand ready and willing to give first-aid assistance to motorists, particularly during this season of icy roads and snow storms, Ray E. Traver, chairman of the committee of highway safety of the American Road Builders' Association, said.
"The aim of highway first-aid stations is two-fold," Traver pointed out. "It is to give intelligent first-aid to accident victims to reduce the appalling toll of deaths and crippling injuries on the highways. Marking our roads with first-aid signs also conveys a visual warning to careless and negligent motorists to be careful."
Easily Identified
Highway first-aid stations can be identified by large white signs bearing a red cross, which state: "Emergency First-Aid, American Red Cross." Such a sign is located along the highway near a building where a telephone, necessary first aid equipment, and at least two first-aid trained people are on hand.
The stations are selected by location to fill two needs. They are adjacent to a section of a road which has a high accident rate. And as they are located in a vicinity where medical care is not quickly available.
Generally a highway first-aid will be one of the following: highway station, gasoline service station, wayside store, tourist home, or village volunteer fire department.
The almost extinct right whale, also called the Greenland whale, is the largest of the whalebone whales, sometimes furnishing 3,500 pounds of whalebone.

POTTERY FOR DECORATING
The type of pottery or clay tile wall decorations in Persian homes during the Middle Ages often indicated the owner's station in life. Homes of the wealthy had artistic multi-colored ceramics while peasant homes were decorated with plain tiles.

The Season's Greetings and all best wishes

To our many good friends and patrons, we extend our warmest greetings. May this Christmas be the best you have ever had — a forerunner of many happy days to come, of wonderful friendships and achievements well done . . .

AT THIS HOLY AND FESTIVE SEASON . . .

Let us be thankful for the countless blessings granted to us—for the many, many courtesies and favors. Let us accept with all humility that measure of prosperity which has been given us. And, above all, let us face the future with a full and growing confidence. This is our greeting to you.

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Italian Doctors Save Lives At Sea

ROME—(AP)—Scores of lives have been saved at sea by Rome's little-known International Radio-Medical Center (CIRM).

Prof. Guido Guida, director of the "Medrad" as merchant navy centers call it, says his organization, founded in 1935, has given free medical advice to hundreds of merchant ships asking for help. He has at his disposal, for consultation, a group of 40 doctors and specialists, all of whom give their services free.

When a ship asks for help in a case which is beyond the master's medical knowledge, a specialist in the disease or injury involved radios his advice to the ship. In many cases, when the sailor is too seriously ill, Medrad advises the master to transfer him to a passenger ship or put into the nearest port where he can get hospital treatment.

Similar services exist in the United States, Belgium, Great Britain, Sweden and Norway. Argentina also has organized a special medical service for ships in South-Atlantic. The advice is mostly broadcast by coastal radio-centers.

Some other services, Prof. Guida says, have the inconvenience of not being the proper language.

Moreover requests they receive are turned over to the hospital nearest the radio station. There it is examined by the doctor on duty, who leaves when his tour is over. Thus the patient may be treated every day by a different doctor. With Rome medical center, the doctor who first prescribes for the patient, follows him throughout his illness. Prof. Guida advanced some ideas to improve medical facilities aboard merchant ships. One was for internationalization of medicine chests. Ships of some nations, he said, have only a restricted quantity of medicines and drugs and those of others carry products unknown in most states.

SWISS POLICE RESCUE FISH

VEVEY, SWITZERLAND—(AP)—Whether they like it or not Swiss police in this area are going fishing. A dry Fall left the streams in this region so low that the bigger trout are finding it difficult to stay in water deep enough to support them. The police have been ordered to catch them alive and set them free in the Lake of Geneva where there is plenty of deep water.

Oh, Come All Ye Faithful



FAMOUS pilgrimages to Bethlehem to adore the Christ Child provides a colorful theme for this year's religious Christmas cards. The humble shepherds, the richly-robed Wise Men, and the Holy Family are portrayed with warmth and a delightful freshness. The gentle little angels who attend the Infant Jesus are especially appealing.

Other greetings in the true spirit of Christmas feature full-color reproductions of the deeply religious art of the Renaissance. There are reverent greetings with modern settings, too—churchgoers in the snow, church bells, and joyful children's choirs. Brief Biblical texts appear inside many of the cards.

India's Governor Urges Joint Fairs

NEW DELHI—(AP)—Governor General C. Rajagopalachari has appealed to "the people of various communities in India to maintain the old custom of sharing and taking part in the festivities of communities other than their own."

On the occasion of the Hindu Diwali (Festival of Lamps), Rajagopalachari said: "Taking moderate part in one another's festivities, irrespective of religion or community, is the highest national wisdom."

He added "outstanding intellectual and artistic achievements apart, a nation's vitality depends on what gives joy to the multitude of people. Festivals have come down from time immemorial as a national instrument for popular joy."

Airborne Co-ed Eyes The Sky For Her Career



Gloria Ann Smith: Everybody's flying-happy but mother.

WILMINGTON, DEL. —(NEA)—Gloria Ann Smith, 20, is a co-ed with man-sized ambitions. She wants to start at the top when she gets out of school.

Graduated last June from Stephens College, Columbia, Mo., where her aviation course resulted in a private pilot's license, Gloria is now attending Goldey College, a junior college in Wilmington, with her heart set on owning and operating her own airport.

At the end of her business training she hopes to have enough know-how of the ledger side of aviation to become one of the youngest female airport operators in the country.

Already Gloria has set something of a record for her age in aviation. She has more than 200 solo hours to her credit and holds membership cards in the National Aeronautic Association, AOPA (Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association) and the "99ers," an international private women's pilot association.

To date her longest flight was a 600-mile jaunt from Columbia, Mo., to Detroit, Mich. Gloria's weekend "dates" consist of solos in her father's plane.

"Guess we're all-flying-happy in our family except mother," she says. "We still can't get her in a plane."

Last summer she gave her first flight instructions and successfully soloed her first pupil.

When she completes her course at Goldey she hopes to buy an airport in the Delmarva peninsula and settle down to teaching and express servicing.

NEW COURSES AT TEXAS UNIVERSITY

AUSTIN—Two new courses will be offered by the University of Texas Romance languages department during the Spring semester by Professor Miguel Romero-Navarro.

He will instruct courses in the poetry of Spanish America in the 19th century and the famous Spanish epic poem, "Cantar de Mio Cid."

The first railroads were built in England in the 17th and 18th centuries to carry coal in wagons drawn by horses.

Kentucky Garage Man Fights For Rich Ice Age Relics Bed

BLUE LICKS, KY. —(NEA)—Scientists can thank a garage man if they get a chance to study a rich record of Ice Age life before it is forever blotted out by the rising waters of another dam.

The garage operator, Victor K. Dodge, of Lexington, Ky., is trying to delay construction of a flood control dam across the Licking river at Falmouth, above which lies the only "drying place" of gigantic mammoths on the American continent known to those who study prehistoric life.

At Blue Licks spring and in the salt bogs at Big Bone Lick, mastodons in ages past were trapped in the spongy mire and starved to death. The now-dried briny marshes have yielded rare fossils on display at the Blue Licks state park museum and the skull of a muskox now in the Peabody museum at Yale University.

Geologists feel sure that the bogs contain skeletal remains of vast numbers of mastodons as well as

the fossils of other extinct Ice Age animals.

Dodge, a naturalist and paleontologist in his spare time, has been organizing excavating parties at his own expense while urging study by experts of the Blue Licks bone depositary. Preliminary diggings have brought up fossils of mastodons, the ground sloth, muskox, bison and elk. Their time in Kentucky stretches back to the late Ice Age of 25,000 to 30,000 years ago.

Property owners of the fossil bed declare they will not sell it to the government for reservoir use without court action. But it is available almost for the asking should the Commonwealth of Kentucky, "for the education and scientific advancement of the people, take the lead in the exploration work."

An old powder puff makes an excellent pollisher for silverware. Use an old toothbrush to apply polish to clean fancy decorations on silver.

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Most active U. S. centers for fighting are Vicksburg, Miss., Tampa, Fla., and Santa Fe, N. M., which average from 80 to 90 thunder-storm days a year.

Rob Roy, Scottish Highlands outlaw, was born a Macgregor, but was named Roy because of his red hair and adopted the surname of Campbell.

Don't Sniff At Dr. Kilgore's Job; Wants To Make It Smell Better



If you think this is a smelly situation, you're wrong. Smell expert Anthony Hiss can read his paper in peace, despite the black, clear, skunk, and jars of garlic and onion. But he's sitting in Dr. Kilgore's odorium, where all the odors have been killed with a substance called metazene.

By DOUGLAS LARSEN

WASHINGTON (NEA)—Most of Dr. Lowell B. Kilgore's work smells. That's because he has dedicated his life to making this world a better place in which to smell. He contends that civilization's progress has not only ignored the

Crosby for the ears. But all there is for the nose is gasoline fumes from the automobile, smoke in the night clubs, B. O. in the buses and subways and cheap perfume to add to the generally unpleasant odoriferous environment of the modern world.

Dr. Kilgore's first major contribution in this field was Indolone, a synthetic chemical with an odor that repels insects but not humans. It is used by the Army and Navy for the men in the tropics. He now is working on a substance called metazene which he claims will neutralize all smells by spraying it into the air.

Actually, he says, scientists know relatively very little about the whole business of smelling. They're not even sure what's a good smell and what's a bad one. Garlic is one of the strongest odors that exists. Most persons think it is bad. Natives of Africa, however, and Italians generally regard garlic as a very pleasant aroma.

Two Devices

The work in his Washington laboratory has been made possible by two devices he has helped to develop. One is a sniffometer, which aids in the identification of odors, and the other is the odorium, which has many uses in the study of smells.

The sniffometer is a glass jar with a rubber pump at one end and an opening at the other end. Various odors are sucked into the jar for tests of strength and composition. The odorium is a six-foot square chamber from which all other odors can be exhausted and pure odors tested for their effect on animals, insects and humans.

Cigar smoke, mustiness, and the smell of cooking—garlic, cabbage, cauliflower and Brussels sprouts are the hardest to kill in the home, Kilgore has discovered. Stale cigar smoke and mustiness tend to last the longest. A musty smell is caused by a mold usually found in damp



Sniffing on his sniffometer, Lowell B. Kilgore, smell doctor, sees if the aroma is dead.

nose but has increased the offenses against it.

There's Betty Grable for the eyes, ice cream for the palate, cashmere sweaters for the touch and Bing

places. Musk is the strongest odor that is known. It is a substance exuded by the Asiatic male deer. A very tiny amount can be detected for miles. It is this scent which attracts the female deer to the buck. Musk is used in the manufacture of perfumes.

Not Strongest

The smell of a skunk, although extremely obnoxious to the human nose, is not among the strongest smells, Dr. Kilgore says. It takes a less powerful neutralizer to "kill" skunk odor than it does an equal amount of cabbage or garlic odor. The stench of dead fish is close to the top of the list of potent aromas. It and garlic are used for experimental purposes in measuring the strength of deodorants.

Dr. Kilgore believes his line of research is unique because he has set out to kill odors rather than to disguise them.

Hitler Leaves Few Namesakes

VIENNA (AP)—The self-styled "Greatest of All Austrians" is leaving a few namesakes in his native land. Even after Adolf Hitler took over the country in the 1938 Anschluss, his first name was not popular with new parents. The 100 per cent Nazis liked the Nordic names of Horst, Dieter and Siegfried. Non-Nazis wanted nothing to do with the name.

A recent survey by government officials shows that parents are avoiding the name "Adolf" as they would the plague. The trend now is to forget the new-fangled Nordic appellations and give offspring such old Austrian favorites as Franz, Josef, Leopold, Karl and Hans.

The survey shows that few girls are being named Karla and Edda, as they were during the Nazi occupation. Those are the names of Hermann Goering's first wife and daughter.

Great deposits of salt lie beneath the earth in Michigan and are removed through deep wells and with pumps forcing water in to dissolve the salt.

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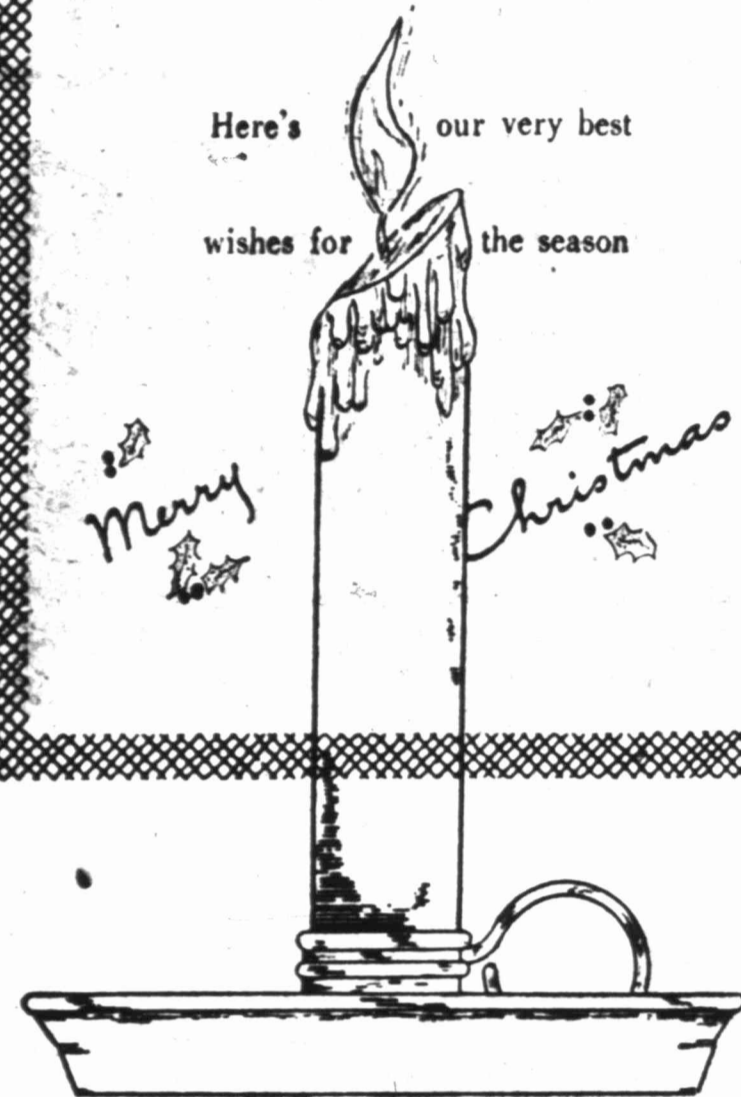


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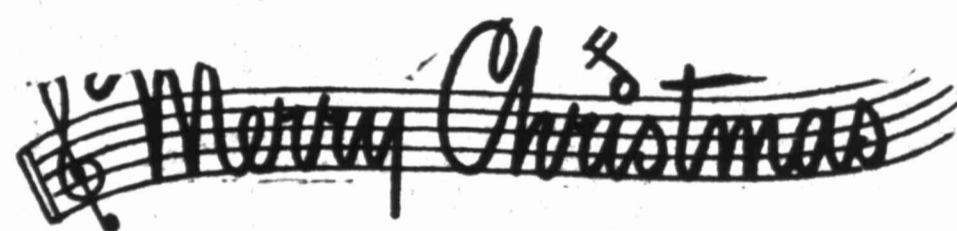
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Pakistan Halts Plant Shipments

SINGAPORE (AP)—Singapore florists have stopped sending orchids and rare plants by air to the United Kingdom because of a new regulation from the Pakistan government.

All such air freight passing through Karachi, says the new Pakistan ruling, must be in sealed tins. Singapore florists, who packed their plants for the air voyage in light wooden crates covered with cloth, said the sealed tins would have "disastrous" effects.

CERAMIC ENGINEER NAMED TO ACADEMY

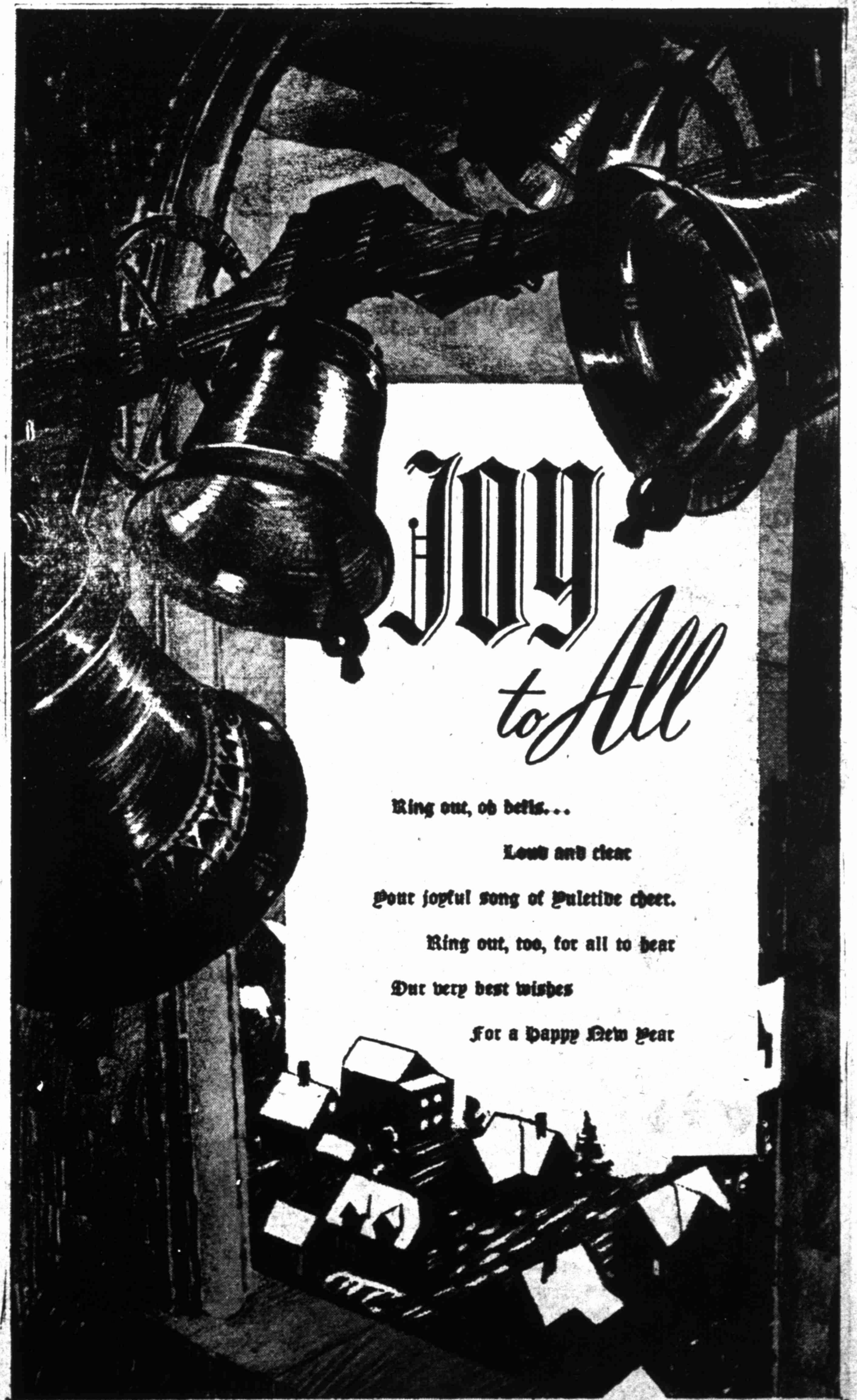
ANSTIN—F. K. Pence, University of Texas ceramic engineering department chairman, has been named to membership on the conservation council of the Texas Academy of Science.

As a representative of the ceramic engineering field, he will furnish information to the council about ceramic materials in the state.

Teacher's Pet?



Left at home when Alonzo Burnham went to school in Schenectady, N. Y., this pup wasn't happy at all. If he was kept inside the house he chewed the window shades; if he was tied outside he barked continuously. Finally let out, he raced to school, to be with Alonzo. Teacher says he's a model, and silent, pupil.



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This scale model Tudor cottage, gift of three London firemen, will be the playhouse of Princess Elizabeth's new son—when he grows up to it. Ten feet high, the house boasts a well and a doghouse.

Prof. Trims Magic Costs; Just Saws The Arm In Half

STATE COLLEGE, PA. —(NEA) —Dr. Stuart A. Mahuran is one professor who can't afford to be absent-minded. He teaches journalism at the Pennsylvania State College, and also entertains his students with magic.

"It all started as a means of entertaining my three children," the teacher-magician says. "But as the children grew, they lost interest in their father's magic."

Presents Heaped Up For Three-Year-Old Victim Of Nephritis

SAN FRANCISCO — (AP) — The presents are heaped high under little Lewis Dillard's tree, for this Christmas may be his last.

Lewis, who will be three years old Christmas Eve, has nephritis. Doctors at the University of California hospital here told his parents he probably will die within two years. There is no known cure, they said, for the kidney condition.



Dr. Stuart A. Mahuran: Magic comes after journalism.

and Dr. Mahuran found himself entertaining fraternities, service clubs, and other community groups.

Dr. Mahuran's largest audience consisted of more than 1100 4-H Club boys and girls on the Penn State campus last Summer. His most unusual audience was made up of 700 prisoners at the Rockview branch of the Western State Penitentiary near Bellefonte.

"I told those boys they probably knew more tricks than I did," Dr. Mahuran quips.

Handy with wood-working tools, Dr. Mahuran builds many of his magical devices. The chest used to saw a woman into two pieces costs about \$600. He built a similar model on a small scale and accomplished the same purpose by merely sawing off the lady's arms.

Dr. Mahuran doesn't mix tricks with teaching. The magic always comes after classes.

★ WE, THE WOMEN

By RUTH MILLET
NEA Staff Writer



Follow these rules and it's almost a cinch that guests at your house will enjoy themselves.

One. Remember that the success or failure of your party will depend in large measure on how you mix your guests. Don't try to mix dull couples and couples who are fun. If you have to entertain dull couples have them together. Then nobody but the host and hostess had to suffer through an evening that is bound from the start to fall flat.

Two. Give your guests the best you have, and then make no apologies.

Keep It Simple

Three. Don't make your entertaining so much more fancy than your everyday living that you're in a dither by the time your guests arrive. Keep things simple enough so that you can manage without knocking yourself out.

In a single day, New York City uses more than one billion gallons of water and 23,500 tons of food.

Poorly Dried, Bare Hands Will Roughen

By ALICIA HART
NEA Staff Writer

A little girl's hands, given the same kind of treatment as a little boy's can be as rough and tough. If your hands aren't as petal-soft and as appealing to look at as you want them to be, there are probably two routines of care which you are inclined to skip.

One is careful drying after you wash your hands. The other is the practice of wearing your gloves or mittens when you go out of doors.

The little girl whose gloves are carried in her pocket instead of worn on her hands is simply inviting winter-roughened skin. The same little miss who fails to rinse the soap off her hands after she washes them or to dry her hands thoroughly after they are washed is also inviting a look of neglect.

Using a creamy lotion, particularly during the winter months, is a great help in keeping a girl's hands as smooth as silk. But this habit of care can be of little help in alleviating a chapped condition if hands aren't washed and dried carefully before the cream is applied.

FRUIT CHEMIST
Robert Douglas, born in Scots, Scotland, was a student of fruit chemistry and in 1912 was able to extract and prepare commercially the fruit ingredient pectin, which makes fruit juices jell.

Detroit, Denver, Hammond and Waterloo are the four new teams in the National pro Basketball League this season.

Read The Classifieds.

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**University Research
May Result in New
Industry For Texas**

AUSTIN — Commercial plants engaged in lactic acid purification will benefit from research in progress at the University of Texas.

Lactic acid can be made from milk, molasses, beet sugars and other products, Ralph A. Troupe, graduate student in chemical engineering, explained. It is purified by converting it to a derivative, methyl lactate, which is easier to purify. The purified methyl lactate is then reconverted to pure lactic acid.

Lactic acid has such an important role in the making of plastics and recently has been referred to as one of the most versatile chemical intermediates.

Troupe has designed, with the aid of Dr. K. A. Kobe, chemical engineering professor supervising his research, a methyl lactate plant—the only one of its kind in the state. The plant is producing the chemical at the rate of four gallons per hour.

If the operation being performed in the pilot plant were developed on a commercial scale, it would bring a new industry to Texas, since it utilizes by-products from farm or forest. Troupe pointed out that it would also utilize menthanol which is being produced synthetically from natural gas.

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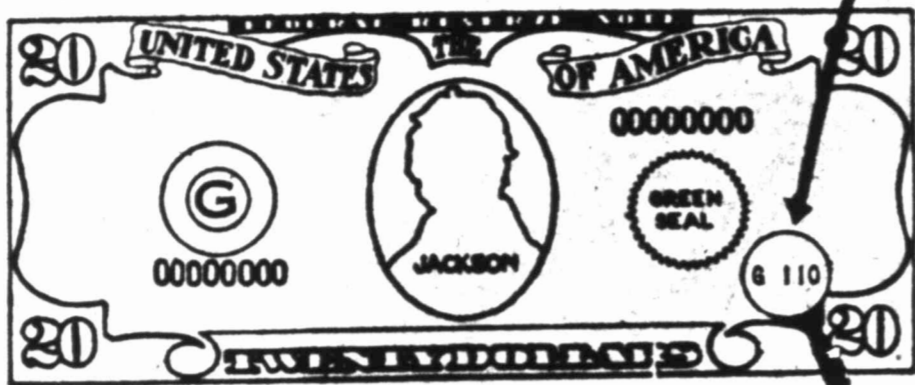
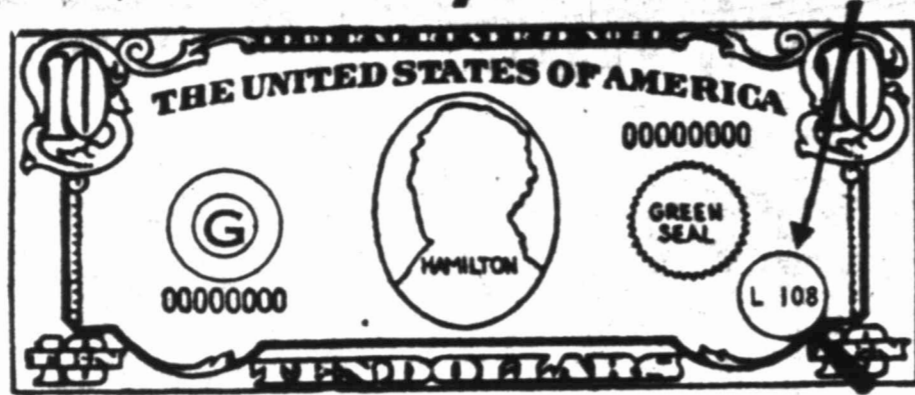
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WASHINGTON — (NEA) — Every bank in the U. S. has had a special warning from the U. S. Treasury Department to be on the alert for a possible flood of almost perfect counterfeit money during the Christmas shopping rush.

The tip-off on what could be the biggest and most expert counterfeit ring ever to operate in the U. S. came in New York and Baltimore recently with the discovery of thousands of bogus 10s and 20s in circulation. One "passer" of the bills, which have been identified as coming from the same press, was arrested in Baltimore. Other passers are expected to be picked up soon, too.

But the passers aren't part of the ring which is printing the money and probably don't even know who the printers are, according to a Secret Service spokesman.

The ring can't be considered broken until the actual printing plant is discovered, the engraving plates destroyed and the key members of the gang arrested. A



Secret Service sketches show what to look for in checking \$10 and \$20 bills for possible counterfeiters now in circulation. Both are Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago notes (letter "G" in left-hand circle). On \$10 note, check letter and face plate number (indicated by circle and arrow on upper sketch) is L 108; back plate number is 1201. On \$20 note, check letter and face plate number (indicated by circle and arrow on lower sketch) is G 110.

nation-wide manhunt is on for them.

The fake bills are of excellent quality. In both cities where they have been discovered, many of them first passed through the hands of a dozen or more experienced money-handlers and weren't detected until they reached Federal Reserve banks.

The green on the backs is lighter than on the good bills. The outlines of the pictures of the men aren't clear-cut. The paper of the bogus bills has a slightly different "feel"—a little softer. Extremely clever crayon marks have been put on the paper to simulate the grain of the real paper. The Treasury has sent detailed descriptions of the faults of the counterfeit bills along with the serial numbers of them to all of the banks.

According to the Secret Service experts, the Christmas shopping season is the best time of the year for passing bad money. A lot of temporary, inexperienced clerks are working during the holidays. Cashiers in the big stores are usually rushed so that they don't have time to examine the money as carefully as they usually do. And the tremendous volume of money in circulation means that a fake bill gets passed around several times, probably, before it reaches a bank and can be detected. Thus the first passer can seldom be traced. Even the banks are rushed and can't examine the money as closely as usual.

The warning to the banks also asks a vigil against all types of counterfeit notes. Counterfeiting in general has reached a new high since the war. In the fiscal year 1946, bogus bills worth \$39,171 were discovered to be in circulation. In 1947, bogus bills worth \$245,176 were seized, and during fiscal 1948, the figure jumped to \$3,094,230.

Part of the reason for the increase, Secret Service men say, is that there appears to be a great lack of cash in the underworld these days. Crime in the U. S. is away down generally. And practically all of the black market operations which flourished during the war and just after have disappeared. As a result, crooks who are finding it hard to earn a dishonest dollar have taken to printing them.

The gang that prints the money usually doesn't get more than six to eight cents on the dollar for them. With the demand currently up however, the price is probably up, too, according to the experts. The first sale is usually in large batches to dealers or "distributors." The stuff might change hands a half-dozen times, with a small profit on each transaction, before it finally gets into the hands of a passer.

Berengaria, after whom a great ship was named, was the wife of Richard the Lion-Hearted, twelfth century King of England.

A 1783 volcanic eruption in Iceland resulted in the loss of 53 per cent of the island's cattle; 77 per cent of the horses, and 82 per cent of the sheep.

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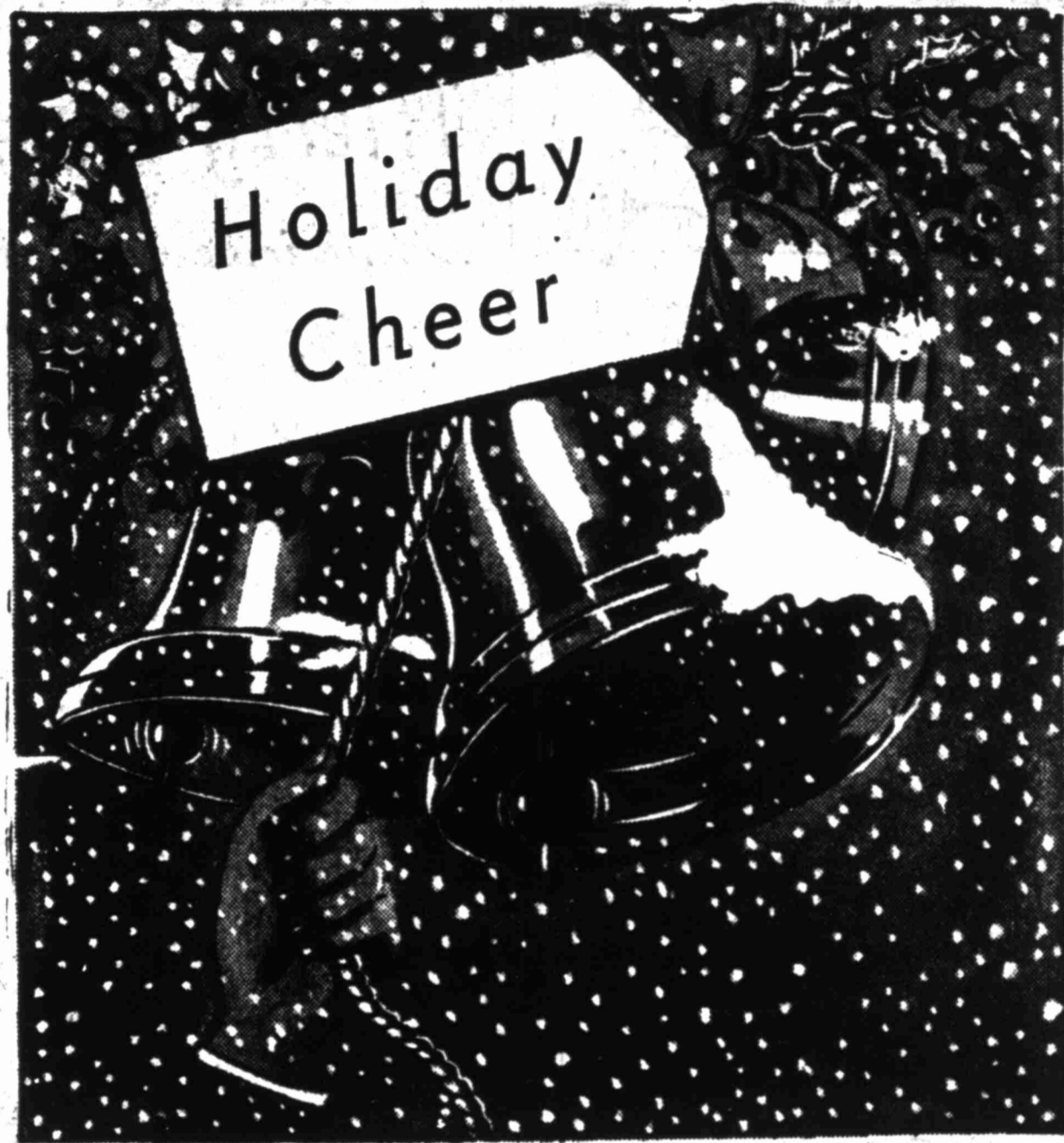
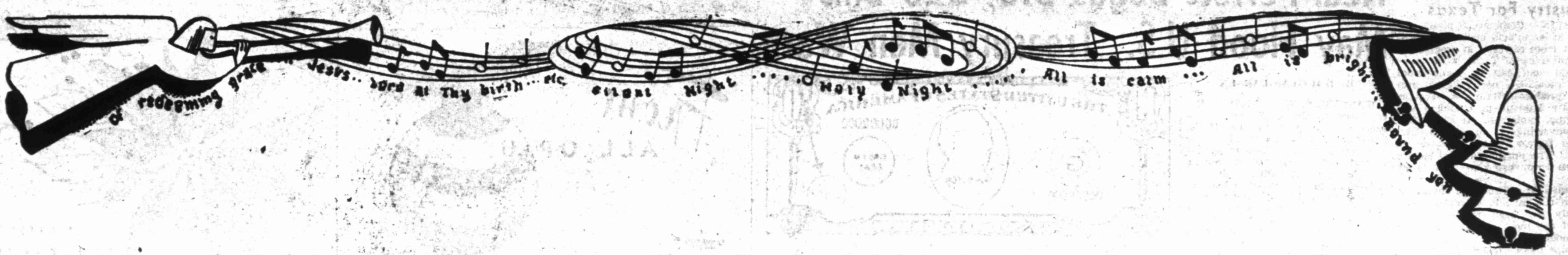


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