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MERRY CHRISTMAS
By Willis E. Stone

Christmas again! It is evident in the sparkling eyes of the children as they are being "so very good" in anticipation of the great day. The spirit reaches everywhere and seems to affect everyone, for this is more than just a "season" of the year. It is a time in which the goodness of man becomes manifest, and the miracle of the nativity holds us enthralled.

AGELESS STORY

'Tis the old story, ever new. Nearly 2,000 years ago the tax collectors forced Mary and Joseph to return to his family's town. It was then Christ came to dwell amongst us. The Prince of Peace was born in the poverty of a manger in a stable at Bethlehem. There the Wise Men found Him.

He came to lead mankind along the way of freedom, dignity and tranquility. Tyrants tried to seek Him out and destroy Him and the principles He represented. They failed in this, as they always must in their attempts to corrupt the everlasting concepts of equity.

A crown of gold was His for the taking. There were many then, as there are today, ready to follow a leader bent on conquest and plunder. Instead, He chose a crown of thorns and led mankind to an understanding of the fundamental principles of life, teaching of freedom and tranquility by parable and example.

The lust for power was great, so there were few to do Him honor, and fewer still with true faith in the Divine principle of individual liberty, justice and equality. His birth and life confirmed the truth that we are equal in the sight of God, and therefore must be equal in the eyes of the law, if the law is just.

The concept of equality and self-determination by all mankind is the very essence of His teachings. For this He was crucified. Then, as now, tyrants sought to degrade and destroy Him and to make themselves the masters of humanity. The glory that was Rome and the pomp of the Caesars have long since crumbled into dust, but tyrants under other names and other forms continue the quest for power and plunder. Yet, after 2,000 years have passed, Jesus Christ stands as the central figure of human history.

He is born anew each Christmas day in the hearts of men, teaching us again the way to "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men." His truth will not be destroyed.

CHRISTIAN CHALLENGE

We know the treachery of power politics has failed to bring peace. There can be neither peace nor justice under the rule of deceit, brutality and force. If we could but accept and apply each day the Divine direction we feel so strongly on Christmas Day, we would discard our false prophets and be governed by the Golden Rule.

Do we dare put the Christmas Spirit to work on a year around basis? Or do the Caesars still possess us, asserting their dominion over the lives and the productivity of the people, feeding their lust upon the agony and toll of their fellow men?

HOPE OF AMERICA

In America we have come close to the Divine Way. Our constitutional chains upon the powers of government, and the people in it, have enabled the American citizen to shape and develop his own life, in his own way. This inspired principle has brought the American people more satisfactions and benefactions than any other people ever imagined.

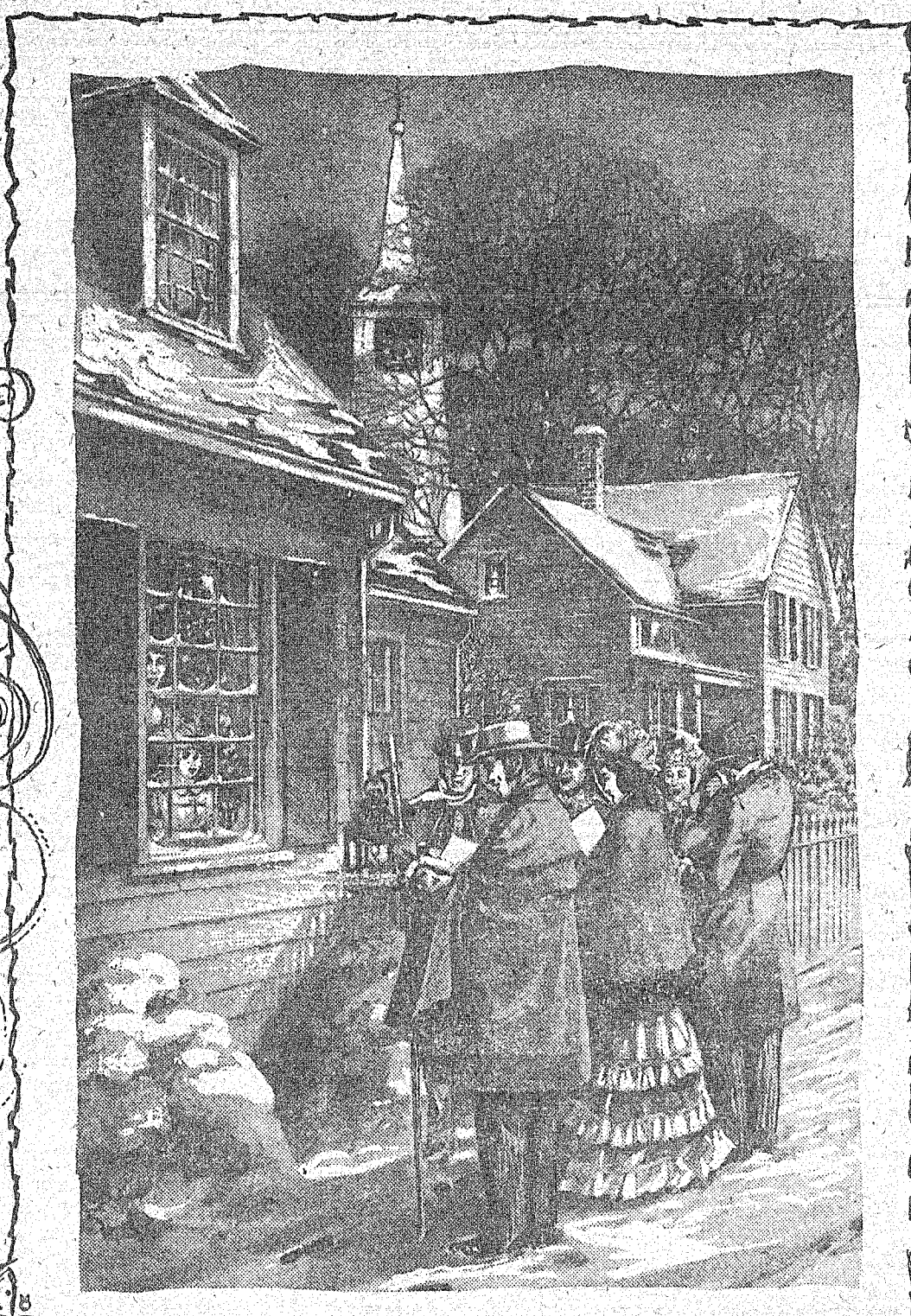
Now the conquest by tyrants threatens again in our land. The tools of our tormentors are doubt, confusion and surrender. The weapons for our salvation continue to be justice, equality and faith.

Yes, the Star gleams again in the heavens, guiding wise men to the only hope of the world. It is essential that we remember these enduring truths which give zest to Christmas Day. May we keep the faith.

Merry Christmas!

(Editor's Note: Willis E. Stone is the author of the Proposed Liberty Amendment and Chairman, National Committee for Economic Freedom, Los Angeles, Calif.)

I love the Christmaside, and yet I notice this each year I live. I always like the gifts I get, but I love the gifts I give!



Wishing you all the festive pleasures and merry companionship of the holiday season. It's wonderful to serve our many friends...and we thank you heartily for your thoughtful consideration and patronage.

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News Completes 76 Years Of Public Service

This will be the final issue of The Santa Anna News for the year 1962. With this issue The News completes 76 years of service to the citizens and business life of this Central Texas area. Your present editor is proud to have been at the helm for the past 17 years.

Many changes have been made in newspaper since the period of World War II. Some of the changes have been made in The News, but because of the high costs of machinery and materials, some changes must wait and be made as it is felt justifiable.

Several years ago The News was distributed through the mail on Friday. For the past several years it has been being distributed here in town on Thursday morning and to our rural subscribers on Friday morning. For the past several weeks The News has been being distributed to all our local subscribers on Thursday morning.

We have worked toward this goal for the past several months, with plans being made to make it official on January 1, 1963, that The News will be a Thursday publication instead of Friday.

Thus, beginning with the next issue of The News, it will be dated on Thursday each week.

This is our annual Christmas Greeting Edition. We invite you to take the time necessary to read each and every greeting sent you through these pages. Each merchant has selected just the greeting they wish to send you. Each greeting has a deep meaning. We hope you enjoy each page of this annual Christmas Greeting Edition.

Happiness

At a radio broadcast, the emcee asked, "Now who will admit she is the oldest woman in this audience?"

"I reckon I am," declared a smiling old lady. "I'm 39."

The emcee said, "Grandma, you look so gloriously happy, how about giving us younger generation some hints on the successful pursuit of happiness?"

"I never pursued it, young man," said Grandma. "I just found myself a place where I could sit and relax once in a while and let happiness catch up with me."

—Wall Street Journal

Busy Night

During Christmas week the Georgia Power Company of Valdosta, Georgia, centers its glass walled lobby with a beautiful lighted tree. Nightly Santa sits beside it and waves and nods to passers-by. Youngsters, with dotting adults, cause near traffic jams.

On Christmas Eve, Santa is conspicuously absent. On his chair rests a large placard which reads,

"Sorry — this is my busy night, Santa Claus."

Happy Birthday

"Happy Birthday" to all who have birthdays during the next week. Below are listed the birthdays we have this week.

DECEMBER 28
Fred Thomson, Portland, Ore.
E. E. McClintock
Blanche Boyd
Linda Henderson
Mrs. Gertrude Martin
Linda Rae Riley, Austin
Mrs. Billie Gregg

DECEMBER 29
T. A. Jackson, Rockville, Md.
Paula Gayle Copeland
Dick Deal
Mrs. B. Wagner

DECEMBER 30
Marcia Sue West, Abilene

DECEMBER 31
Marguerite Horner
Burton (Butch) Makuta
Mrs. Doug Moore
Mrs. R. B. Archer

JANUARY 1
Mrs. E. W. Gober
Mrs. R. P. Earnhart
Minnie Collins Young

Would you like for your name to be published on your birthday? If so, please be sure to let us know when it is. Next week we will publish names of those having birthdays between January 4 and January 10th.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Santa Anna, Texas
Dec. 12, 1962
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl 5 years old. I have been very good and would like to have a doll and coke box, also typewriter and a Etch-a-Sketch. Be good to all the little kids.
Love,
Donna Joy James
Box 693
Santa Anna, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me some toys. I would like to have a "Chatty Baby," "Casper," a kiddie car,

snow cone machine, coke machine. Please remember all the other boys and girls, especially Regina, Mike and Janice Cupps, my best friends.
Love,
Connie Granad

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a pretty red bicycle, a chatty baby doll, a snowcone machine and a coke fountain. Please don't forget Steve and Mike and Donna. I have been a real good girl.
Love,
Kelly Cammack

Rockwood, Texas
Dec. 11, 1962

Dear Santa,
I would like for you to bring me a B-B gun with a scope, a cotton candy machine, a fire truck and a Texico truck.
Remember my brothers. They have been real good, and all the other boys and girls.
Hank Wise

Santa Anna, Texas
1105 Ave B

Dear Santa Claus,
Would you please bring me a bulldozer, dragline, dump truck and some fruit and candy. I have been a pretty good boy. Please remember all the other boys and girls.
Love,
Timmy Bengé

Dear Santa Claus,
Would you please bring me a big baby doll, tractor that winds, iron and ironing board. Please bring my little sister, Tracy, a doll and something else.
Love,
Tammy Bengé

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Dianne Manning. I am 5 years old. I have been a good girl this year. Please bring me a little red spinning wheel, a snow cone machine, a nurse's kit, a counting board, magic bottle, play dough factory, a projector and a car wheel to drive. Please remember that I'll be at my grandparents', who live at Leonard.
Dianne

Dear Santa,
I am almost 3 years old. When you come to my granddad's house, I'll leave you a coke. I hope you like cokes as much as me do. I would like to have a gun and holster, a cowboy suit, and a cowboy hat. You see, Santa, I'm a cowboy. You might leave me a doctor's kit, some telephones, so Dianne and I can talk from room to room, a big truck to haul animals in, a wee wee train and a teddy bear who can sleep with Donk, Monk and me.
Love,
David Manning

DECKING THE HALLS
Decorating with red and green; traditional at Christmas, traces back to the early use of red-berried green holly to "deck the halls."

HELPING SANTA
In Northern Europe, where Santa Claus arrives on a white horse, boys and girls put out food for the horse.

Yuletide Spirit Stays All Year

Nearly every community has its special way of observing Christmas — and in some towns and cities, the spirit of Christmas prevails, literally the year around.

In Waterbury, Conn., an all-year reminder of the first Noel is the re-creation of the Town of Bethlehem on nearby Pine Hill.

This non-sectarian "Bethlehem" was constructed to scale after research and study of photos showing the Biblical country. The cave or manger where Christ was born, inns like the one where there was no room, and the Roman legation where the tax collection decreed by Augustus Caesar was to be paid are among the buildings represented.

"Poetic license" has been used to include some buildings which were not, or may not have been, located in Bethlehem, such as "David's Home" and Herod's Grand Palace.

Crowned by a Cross, Pine Hill has proved an ideal location for the project, since its shape is similar to the limestone cliff where Bethlehem in Judea was built.

OTHER "BETHLEHEMS"
Well-known "Bethlehems" in the United States include Bethlehem, Pa., and Bethlehem, Ind. The Pennsylvania Bethlehem

STAR SINGING
As they go from house to house at Christmas, modern carol singers may be aided by the rays of an electric lantern or a flashlight. This reflects an old custom known as Star singing.

Early carolers in Europe used to make their rounds carrying a large, lighted star representing the Star of Bethlehem. Later the star was replaced by lanterns and torches.

SHOE TREATS
Spanish children, at Epiphany, expect the Three Kings to bring them gifts, and they set out shoes filled with straw or grain for the horses the Kings ride.

WHERE "XMAS" BEGAN
"Xmas," now generally considered poor usage as an abbreviation for Christmas, was often used as a holy symbol in the early Christian church. "X," in Greek, is the first letter of Christ's name.

Attend church regularly.

emphasizes the religious meaning of Christmas during its annual celebration. A star erected on a nearby mountain top is lighted throughout the holiday season.

STAR IS BEACON
Near Palmer Lake, Colo., an electrically lighted star on a mountain top is a Christmas-season beacon for motorists on highways many miles away.

LIGHTING DISPLAYS
Beautiful lighting displays for Christmas are famous in many U.S. cities.

In Altadena, a suburb of Pasadena, Calif., a mile-long avenue bordered by deodar cedars becomes "Christmas Tree Lane" at the holiday season. The deodars are illumin-

ated by thousands of multi-colored bulbs for the annual spectacle.

Colored lights outline the buildings of the Country Club Plaza district in Kansas City, Mo., at Christmas time.

Denver, Colo., illuminates its Civic Center during the holidays with many thousands of lights.

YULE TOWNS
Yule-named towns have a special interest in Christmas. Arizona, Florida and Kentucky actually have towns named "Christmas." Then there are Christmas Cove, Me.; Nazareth, Pa.; Bright Star, Holly Grove and Holly Springs, Ark.; as well as Noel, Mo.; Noel, Va.; Mistletoe, Ky.; Wiseman, Alaska; and Santa Claus, Ind.



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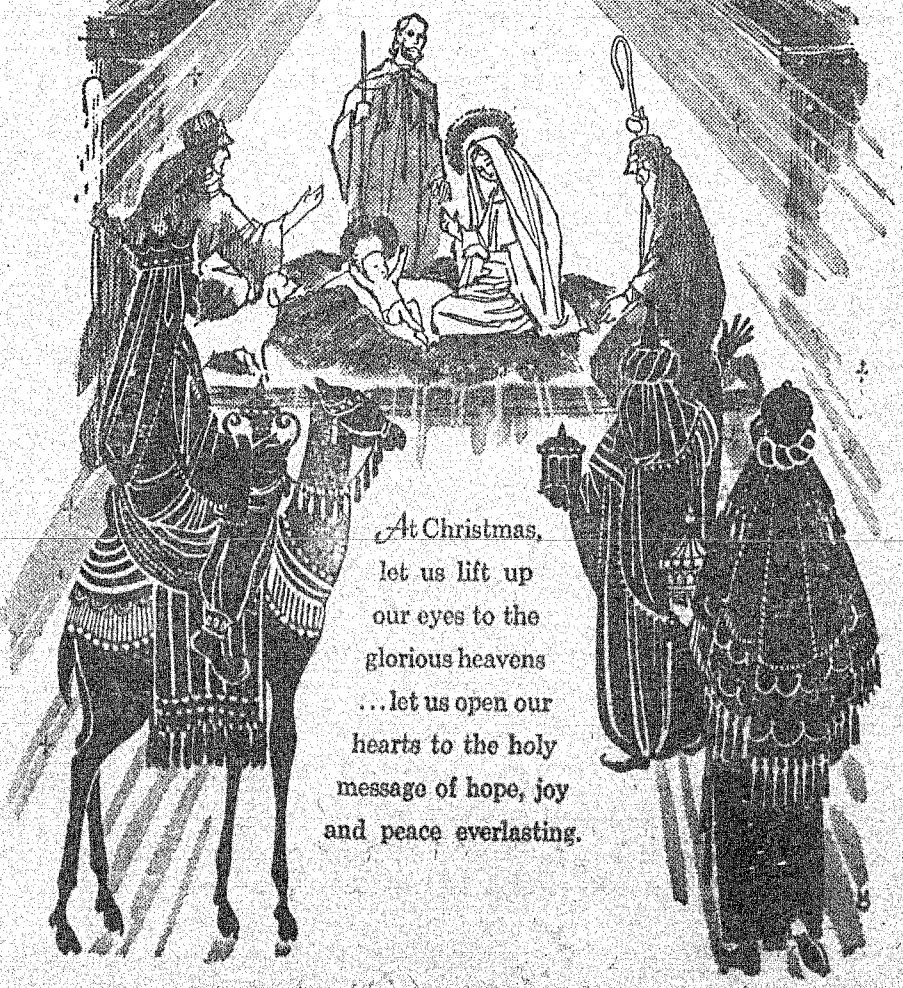
Santa Anna Lumber Co.



From all of us to all of you...with hearty good wishes for the holiday season, and with warm appreciation for the privilege of serving you, now and in the years to come.

Santa Anna Tile Co., Inc.
STAFF AND EMPLOYEES

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



At Christmas, let us lift up our eyes to the glorious heavens...let us open our hearts to the holy message of hope, joy and peace everlasting.

GOOD YEAR

400 South Concho — Coleman



"AND, LO, THE STAR, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young Child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy." (Matthew 2:9-10)



"AND THERE WERE IN THE SAME COUNTRY shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone around about them; and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, fear not, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people." (Luke 2:8-10)



"FOR UNTO YOU is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be sign unto you: ye shall find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger." (Luke 2:11-12)

Beasts and Birds Share in Yule Legends

In the lore and legends of Christmas, the beasts of the fields and the birds of the air play their part — and appropriately so, for the oldest and holiest Christmas story of all tells of shepherds with their flocks — shepherds who went to seek and find a Holy Babe lying in a manger.

Animals of the manger in the time of Christ were likely to be the sheep and goats, cattle, horses, donkeys and pigs. All of these figure in Yuletide songs and stories — even the pig, who has held the place of honor at many a Christmas feast.

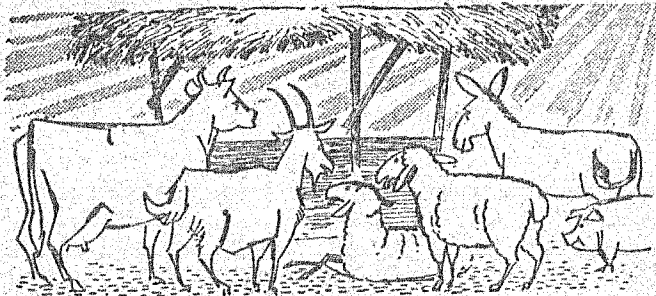
Telling of the First Christmas Eve, the famous carol, "Away in a Manger," says, "The cattle were lowing," and religious paintings through the ages have depicted both the cattle and the other animals in the manger, as well as the flocks of the shepherds.

FEEDING BIRDS

In Scandinavian countries people place sheaves of grain and bits of suet on trees and rooftops, so birds can feast.

THEY FEAST

Because an ancient tradition holds that animals helped to spread the glad tidings of the birth of Christ, barnyard animals in many countries are still served a special supper on Christmas Eve.



CATTLE SPEAK

An old German legend has it that cattle kneel in their stalls at midnight on Christmas Eve. Then, for a moment, they have the power of speech.

Other legends broaden this to include all animals.

FROM SPANISH LORE

On the first Christmas, says a Spanish legend, a cow in the manger breathed on the Baby Jesus to warm him.

KNEELING DEER

Early French-Canadian settlers in Quebec bewildered the Huron Indians by their strange — to the Indians — preparations for the celebration of Christmas. As a result, many legends about the Day developed among the Indians.

On Christmas Eve, the Indians believed, the deer knelt to the "Great Spirit." In the hope of seeing this wondrous sight, the Hurons would hide in the cold winter night of the forests for hours.

FOOD FOR PUSS

Cats get special treatment during the Christmas season in French sections of Canada. Special food is set forth for Puss, since according to legend, if the cat meows in the house on Christmas Eve, bad luck will follow.

Package Sorting Leads to Seals

Inspiration for the first Christmas seals came to Einar Holboell, a Danish postal clerk, as he was sorting packages one Christmas season. He envisioned all the packages bearing a special stamp, with the proceeds spent to aid people who suffered from tuberculosis.

The King and many of Denmark's leading citizens endorsed the idea, in 1904. Later, the plan spread to Norway and Sweden, and in 1907 was adopted in the U.S. More than 50 countries now use the seal.

Christmas is the time of the year when mother has to separate the men from the toys.

Science Seeks Source Of The Star

Since St. Matthews first described the star of Bethlehem, its mystery has fascinated mankind. Was it a miracle? Or was it a brighter-than-usual star or other celestial object?

Astronomers, while seeking to identify the star, emphasize that it may have been indeed a miracle that can't be explained in terms of natural phenomena. However, research has provided material for conjecture that the star may have been a natural occurrence.

ONE DISCOVERY

A Danish astronomer, Tycho Brahe, discovered a new and brilliant star in the constellation Cassiopeia in 1572, according to the Encyclopedia Americana.

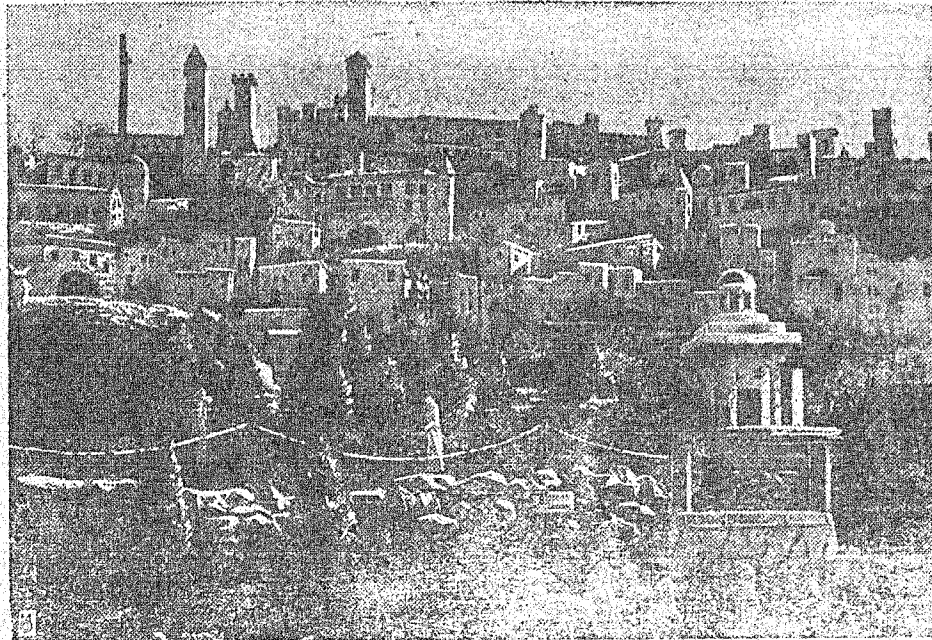
Since that discovery, The Americana says, it has been suggested that this might be an especially brilliant star visible only at long intervals.

A reported appearance of a bright star in that part of the heavens about the middle of the 13th century, coupled with a vague account of a similar appearance a little more than 300 years earlier, led to the thought that these might possibly be former appearances of the star of 1572.

If, as this might indicate, the star appeared at intervals of 310 to 315 years, three intervals of 300-odd years from the time it was first reported would carry it back to about the time of the birth of Christ.

ANOTHER THEORY

Johannes Kepler, a German astronomer, made discoveries that led to still another theory about the star of Bethlehem. In 1604, he observed a configuration, or close-grouping, of the planets Jupiter, Saturn and Mars. He determined that such a



"BETHLEHEM" IN WATERBURY. Non-sectarian re-creation of the Town of Bethlehem spreads across Pine Hill, near Waterbury, Conn. Permanent scene is intended not as a shrine but as an inspiration, with an educational purpose, too. In most respects, the scale model follows as accurately as possible the appearance of Bethlehem in Judea, as it appeared at the time Christ was born.

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Highest point in the U. S. A. is Mt. Whitney, Calif., 14,495 ft.

The architect of the White House was James Hoban.

Pins were not invented until the 14th century.

A baseball has a cork center about the size of a marble.



Feasts

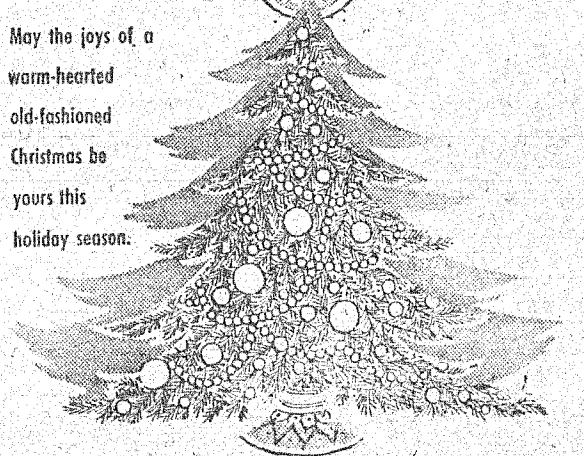
Many foods for Christmas feasting have been traditional since early days of Yule merry-making, although roast peacock, the feature of the feast in medieval England, is rarely, if ever, seen today!

Mince pie, with its spices and fruits, is said to symbolize the riches of the East, from which the wise men came.

Legend says plum-pudding began when an English king and his men were lost in a forest on Christmas Eve. The cook used foods he had on hand, including part of a stag, plums, eggs, flour, to make a single dish all could share.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May the joys of a warm-hearted old-fashioned Christmas be yours this holiday season.



Clover Grill



Hi, and Merry Christmas!
Best wishes to you for a wonderful holiday.

Moore's Variety Store



Christmas Cheer

Hope your Christmas Day is merry and bright, full of delight!

EDDIE'S CAFE

Eddie Anderson, Owner and Operator



A jolly Christmas to all good friends

Speck's Barber Shop

a basketful of
Good
Wishes

Please accept
our sincere
good wishes for
a happy, joyful
Christmas and a
Prosperous
New Year!



Wylie's Flowers

Santa Anna, Texas



Sincere Christmas Wishes

We see for you and yours, every joy and blessing of this happy season . . . all in great good measure. Merry Christmas!

Jane's Beauty Shop

Jane Campbell, Owner



Bobby's Beauty Salon

LITTLE BUT LEGEND KNOWN ABOUT VISIT OF WISE MEN

Many legends have developed out stating how many there around the visit of the three were. It was not until later, in a legend which can be traced back to the second century, that they were called "kings," according to The Encyclopedia Americana. In even later times, they were distinguished as Melchior, Gaspar or Caspar, and Balthasar.

The magi originally stood for the priestly caste of the ancient Persian Zoroastrian religion. As the religion moved westward, it came in contact with Babylonian beliefs and practices and derived a strong interest in astrology, demonology and magic. By the time it reached the Graeco-Roman world, it was practically identical, in the popular view, with astrology and magic. This explains the use of the term "wise men" by St. Matthew, since they were astrologers.

Once A Year

How seldom Christmas comes—only once a year; and how soon it is over—a night and a day! If that is the whole of it, it seems not much more durable than the little toys that one buys of a fakir on the street corner. They run for an hour, and then the spring breaks, and the legs come off, and nothing remains but a contribution to the dust heap. But surely that need not and ought not be the whole of Christmas—only a single day of generosity, ransomed from the dull servitude of a selfish year—only a single night of merry-making, celebrated in the slave quarters of a selfish race! If every gift is the token of a personal thought, a friendly feeling, an unselfish interest in the joys of others, then the thought, the feeling, the interest, may remain long after the gift is forgotten.

—Henry Van Dyke.

Save A Little

Save a little cheerfulness to scatter through the year. Save a few kind words to say, such as dry the tear. Save a few kind deeds to do when chance comes by and by. You can use a little Christmas—if you have it next July.

—Louis E. Thayer

Trickham News

By Mrs. J. E. York
Telephone DU2-3336

The young people of our community met at the church Wednesday night to practice, and make plans for the program to be given Monday night. There will be a community tree and each one is invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Boenicke visited in Brooksmith Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Boenicke. Rev. John Wrench of Santa Anna was a supper guest in the O. R. Boenicke home Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Pinson, Virginia and Helen visited Monday in Brownwood with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Jacobs.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Whitley were in Abilene Tuesday to visit a brother, Mr. Morton Whitley, who is very ill in a hospital there.

Mrs. Keetie Haynes of Santa Anna, Lige Lancaster and Melvin Bull were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Grady McIver Wednesday night.

Again we come to that time of year which we all look forward to; the beautiful decorations, the thought in mind, "what can I give to someone we love." Let's not forget the true meaning of Christmas. And count our many blessings. A Merry Christmas to you and a Happy New Year.

Just A Hint

A certain well-known publicist used to phone bare acquaintances a few weeks before Christmas and ask, "What size collar do you wear?" This "hint" brought him much valuable holiday loot from people who had planned only to send him a greeting card.

On Christmas the suckers would get plain cards from the journalist, saying, "To Joe, the greatest guy who ever put his head in a size 15 collar?"

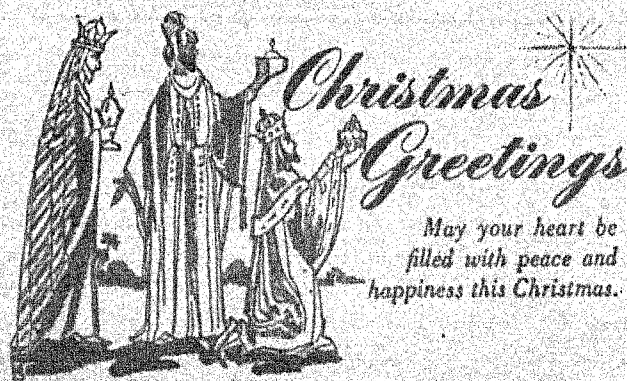


"THE MADONNA AND CHILD ENTHRONED" is a 15th century representation of a favorite subject for artists. Painted in tempera on wood, it is the work of Fra Filippo Lippi, a Florentine who is known for his use of color and graceful line. From the Metropolitan Museum of Art, The Jules S. Bach Collection, 1949.

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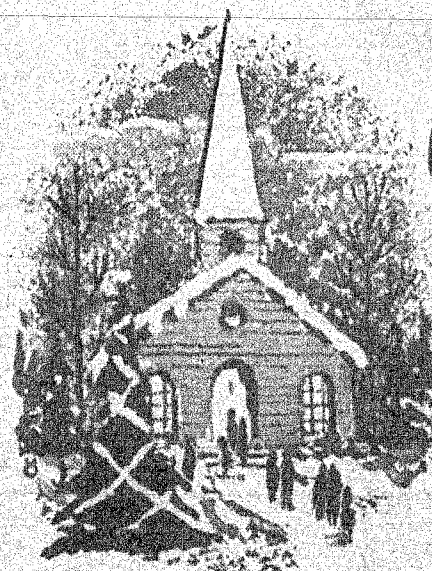


THE NATIVITY. Page from a medieval Book of Hours shows the Nativity scene as illustrated and illuminated by the Limbourg brothers, famous illuminators. Book of Hours, or "Belles Heures," are hand-lettered and individually-illustrated prayerbooks intended for private devotions. This one was prepared for Jean, Duke of Berry, sometime before 1413. From The Metropolitan Museum of Art, The Cloisters Collection, purchase, 1954.



Inez's Beauty Shop

Amanda Perry, Operator



Joyous Christmas

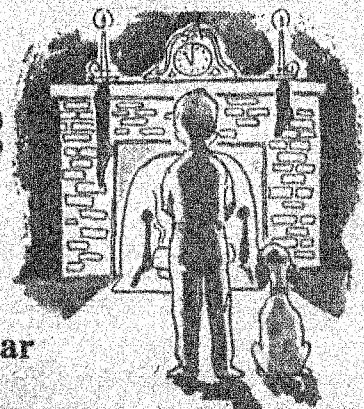
Joy to the world . . . we chime in to wish you and yours the happiest of Christmases.

Hugh Capps Studio

213 West Pecan — Coleman

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Here comes Santa with a pack of Christmas wishes for everyone . . .



Happy New Year

WILLIAMS BARBER SHOP

Fairy Williams, Owner

Looking Ahead

by Dr. George S. Coates
PRESIDENT—NATIONAL
EDUCATION PROGRAM
Bevery, Arkansas

SUGGESTION FOR A BOOK

It is time for someone to write a book showing what the U. S. has learned and especially what our national leaders have learned about the conspiracy of international Communism, as a result of our experience with

Cuba during the past two months. Some honest knight out of the White House circle of writers should do it.

One objective of such a book might be to get the attention of other high government figures who also could profit from the lessons learned. The thesis would have to be that the deadly realities of the Cuban crisis were required to reveal the patterns of Soviet conspiracy to many of our leaders, that credulous officials can no longer ignore the deceit and trickery of Soviet subversive penetrations, and that "co-existence" is a sub-theme in the Soviet

"peace" program that the Reds will keep on playing as long as any anti-Communist are left. The book could well show that the Administration is learning.

Use Of The Lie

Our people learned from the Cuban crisis that the Communists have no regard for truth, that a lie is something to be used whenever it brings advantage. As Dr. Fred Schwarz put the problem in a book title, "You Can Trust the Communist" in only one sense — to be true to their evil designs. If a Communist lies about being one, as Castro did at first, this normal and expected conduct can no longer be misunderstood. If he denies warlike intentions and yet hides his nuclear missiles, one can see clearly his use of the lie as "informational weaponry."

This point was made by the editorial cartoonist who showed a smiling Mikoyan leaning against a palm tree and standing astride the whole of Cuba. The Soviet diplomat was saying: "The missiles that were not here have all been removed." The best sermon on ethics consists of the practice of it. And this lesson is for us as well as the Soviets. If the U. S. is prepared to practice integrity in international relationships, it will then be obvious to the world that Communist techniques will not admit bandits to the company of true nations.

Firmness And Facts

We have learned the necessity of firmness in the face of the lie. When we have finished verifying by air the departure of Soviet missiles and bombers from Cuba, therefore, we must insist on sending qualified inspectors to look in the bat caves and see what they hold. These inspectors will have to be given freedom of action and freedom to report to the free world. We shall not want politically slanted observations devised at the U. N. nor fictional reports prepared by TASS. We want these things no more than we want manipulated news from Arthur

Sylvester's office in the Pentagon.

We also would like for our book about Cuba to reassure us that our high level intelligence operators will not again make unrealistic assumptions about Russian intentions, but let the facts speak instead. To think that President Kennedy had to await U-2 photos before he could speak out on October 22, weeks after Senator Keating had been reporting the missile buildup, makes our whole program of intelligence suspect. But even the truest intelligence is worthless if it falls into hands that are politically grasping or into heads that are out of touch with reality. Cuba has taught us something about ourselves. Preparedness is partly state of mind.

Political Subversion

We may have learned to avoid any further dramatized theatrics calculated to keep voters in line. Our people, I believe, would like from now on to be able to clearly distinguish between statesmanship and electioneering. When our men in Washington use a serious international crisis to bring public opinion around at polling time — or was it really a quick shift of their own toward public sentiment? — this political manipulation becomes cause for serious concern.

Most significant of all, we hope that such a book could promise that in the immediate future our national leaders will be able to see more clearly the basic problem being faced by the free world: the aggression of tyrannical Communism. Cuba is only one more step that they have taken in their march toward political subversion of the free world, this time right up to the frontiers of the western hemisphere. The weapons, whether rockets or radio broadcasts, are "offensive." Cuba is intended to be a fortress for bombarding the Latin and South American tinder-box with incendiary propaganda. This is the method of warfare

the Communists had in mind all along.

Hajji is a title conferred upon Mohammedans who have pilgrimaged to Mecca.

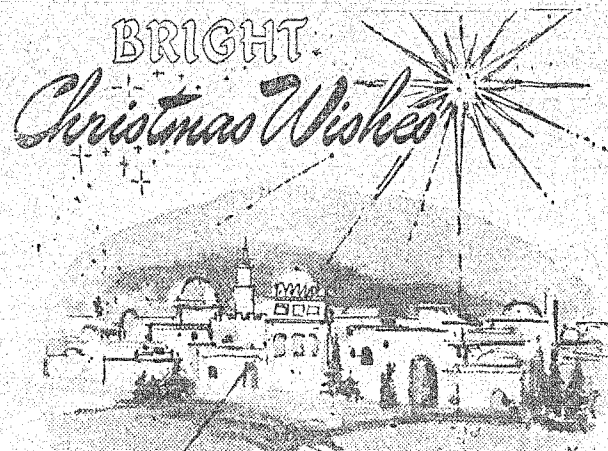
Attend church regularly.



Wishing you a holiday so merry you'll remember it with great pleasure long after the snow man has melted away.

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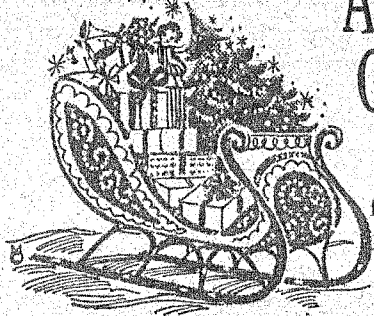


We wish for you the blessings of Christmas. May the radiance of the Star of Bethlehem light your way to peace and contentment in the coming year.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING THREE DIRECTORS TO THE COLEMAN COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NUMBER ONE. THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF COLEMAN TO THE RESIDENT QUALIFIED VOTERS OF COLEMAN COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. ONE, IN COLEMAN COUNTY, TEXAS:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held in the Coleman County Water Control and Improvement District No. One on the eighth day of January, 1963, at the Office Building and Community House in the town of Trickham in said District in Coleman County, Texas, for the purpose of electing three directors for the Coleman County Water Control and Improvement District No. One, said election being called by order of the Directors of the Coleman County Water Control and Improvement District No. One of Coleman County, Texas, by order dated the 13th day of November, 1962. Said polls to be open at 8:00 o'clock A. M. and close at 7:00 o'clock P. M. The three directors elected shall serve for two years. The Judge of Election shall be Bond Featherston. s/E. R. CUPPS
E. R. Cupps, President of Directors of Coleman County Water Control and Improvement District No. One.
W. L. (Bill) VAUGHN
W. L. (Bill) Vaughn, Secretary, Board of Directors of Coleman County Water Control and Improvement District No. One. 51-1c.

TEL Class Enjoys Christmas Social

Mrs. Lula Newman was hostess to the T.E.L. Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church for their Christmas Social Tuesday afternoon, December 18.

The devotional was given by Mrs. Katie Evans, taken from Luke 2:2-14. A prayer was offered by Mrs. Dovie Chapman. The group enjoyed Christmas songs and a reading by Mrs. Gladys Brown, "The Incomparable Christ." A quartette sang, "Holy Night." The exchange of Christmas gifts followed.

Refreshments of chicken salad, reception salad, onion thins, olives, divinity candy and fruit punch were served to Mmes. Keetie Haynes, Dovie Chapman, Alice Horner, Byrd Arnold, Leila Moore, Lula Bilbrey, Carrie Thomas, Hallie Williams, Paralee Rutherford, Lula Newman, Redelia Monroe, Effie Ferguson, Gladys Brown, Katie Evans, Era Ashmore, Lizzie Brown, Bessie Upton, Eunice Gregg and Misses Lillie Hosh and Wanda Duggins.

The occasion was dismissed with the class song, "Bless Be The Tie That Binds," and a prayer by Mrs. Thomas.

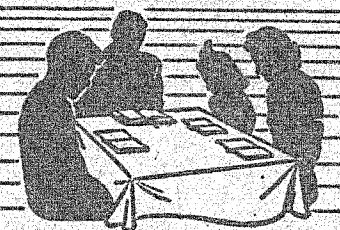
Time cannot wither Christmas for it belongs to eternity.

The trouble is that so many of us are saying, "The trouble is..."

"Chili" originated in Texas.

Today's MEDITATION

from The World's Most Widely Used Devotional Guide



The Upper Room
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Read John 1:43-51
Whom seek ye? (John 18:4.)
I know that ye seek Jesus. (Matthew 28:5.)

All through the Gospel stories of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John we find people seeking Jesus. We find shepherds, wise men, and others seeking Jesus. We find men and women from various walks of life — the troubled, the hungry, the ill, the lame, and the blind — seeking Him. We read of religious leaders and Roman soldiers seeking Him.

Whether they sought to be blessed, comforted, advised, fed, healed, forgiven, or to crucify Him, they found Him — found Him gentle, loving, helpful, forgiving.

We know in our minds and feel in our hearts that the same is true of Jesus today and tomorrow — forever. He is ever available!

But we should ask ourselves, "Whom do we seek?" If we are sincere in our desire to seek that which is honest and true, and the highest, the answer clearly comes: "We seek Jesus."

PRAYER:

Our heavenly Father, make of us better persons, more eager to proclaim the gospel, more willing to give faithful Christian service in our thoughts, our words, our deeds. Help us to be worthy followers of Christ, who taught His disciples to pray, "Our Father who are in heaven... Amen."

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

I will seek the Lord, for He is a rewarder of them who diligently seek Him.

—Dave J. Teter (West Virginia)

Pastor Wrote To Please Children

"Up on the Housetops" is a happy Christmas song written by an Ohio pastor, Benjamin Hanby, in 1864.

Believing that music was a part of religion, he held weekly songfests for children in New Paris, Ohio. Since he was short of money, when the children needed a new song, he wrote it himself.

The song, which tells the joys of going "up on the housetops" and "down through the chimney with good Saint Nick" to the "click, click, click of reindeer hooves," gained early popularity.

Its origin, however, was lost when the Chicago publishing house of George F. Root, publishers of the song, burned. Credit for the authorship was not restored until after Hanby's death.

Yuletide Thoughts

No one could tell me where my soul might be; I searched for God, and He eluded me; I sought my brother out, and found all three.—Ernest Crosby.

Heep on more wood! The wind is chill. But, let it whistle as it will, we'll keep our Christmas merry still.—Sir Walter

dark-green leaves, can grow to a height of 15 feet. The Encyclopedia Americana says. Its flowers are white, its berries yellow or bright red. The Christmasberry is often known as the toyon.

Friendship is the nearest thing we know to what religion is. God is love, and, to make religion akin to friendship is simply to give it highest expression conceivable to man.—Ruskin.

BERRIES BRIGHTEN

The bright red berries of the Christmasberry, an evergreen shrub native to California, are widely used as Christmas decorations.

This shrub, with its thick,



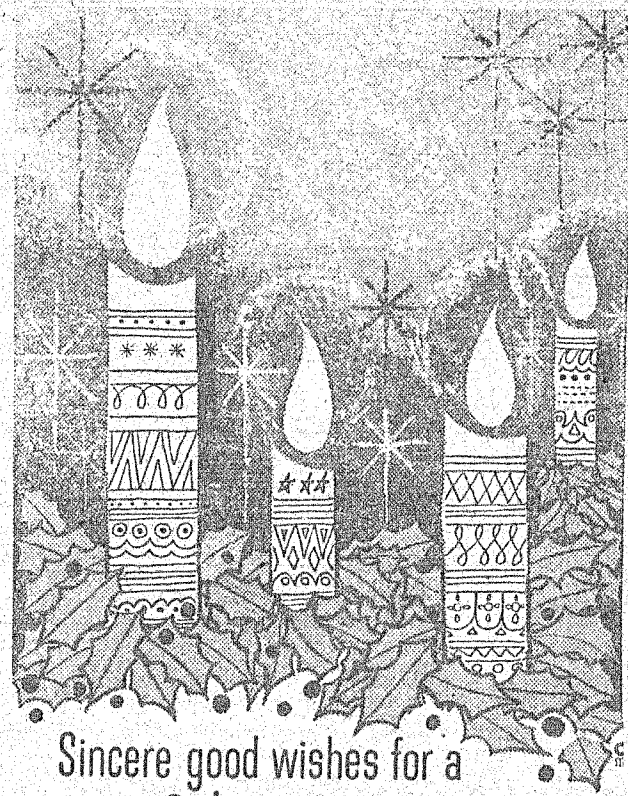
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Readers Still Loyal to Dickens Favorite

"A Christmas Carol in Prose, Being a Ghost Story of Christmas" was first published at Christmas 1843, and since that time its popularity has never waned.

Generation after generation has laughed and cried over the story of the miserly Scrooge, who through the revelations of three spirits — Christmas Past, Present and Yet to Come — became a man who "knew how to keep Christmas well, if any man alive possessed the knowledge."

Charles Dickens, creator of the "Carol," loved it as well as, or perhaps even better than, its many readers did. He told of crying and laughing again and again as, captivated by his story, he wrote the 30,000-word book in six weeks.

When Dickens gave readings from his works in England and America, the story of Scrooge was always the prime favorite with his audiences.

Perhaps the best known part of the story is Christmas dinner at the Cratchits, where Scrooge and the Ghost of Christmas Present observed the family of his clerk, Bob Cratchit, making



"GOD BLESS US, EVERYONE!" said Tiny Tim. Since Tiny Tim first spoke these words at the Cratchits' Christmas feast, Charles Dickens' famous "A Christmas Carol" has become one of the best known and loved of holiday stories. Illustration above is from The Book of Knowledge.

merry over a simple Christmas dinner, highlighted by a goose—his clerk, Bob Cratchit, making "There never was such a goose"

—and a pudding—"Oh, what a wonderful pudding!"

And a favorite character is Tiny Tim, the Cratchit's crippled son, to whom the reformed Scrooge became a "second father."

One of the most famous speeches in the English language is, doubtless, Tiny Tim's, at the conclusion of the Christmas feast, "God bless us, every one!"

If You Were Somebody Else

Johann Lessing tells the story of the dissatisfied horse that asked the gods for longer, thinner legs, a neck like a swan, and a saddle that would grow upon him as a part of his body. Admiring all these separate appendages of beauty, the horse longed to incorporate them all within himself.

Straightway the obliging gods changed him into a creature embodying all the new features. But desirable as they had appeared separately, the entire assembly struck terror into the horse, for he found that he had been changed into an ugly camel!

"There now," said the gods, "you have been granted your wish, and they shall continue with you all your life as a reminder to you that a horse should be thankful for what he is."

The lesson is, it is better to improve what you have than to wish for what you have not.

Stay Active — Remain Young

No one has a right to live in idleness and expect to live long and be happy. The ship anchored in the harbor rots faster than the ship crossing the ocean; a still pool of water stagnates more rapidly than a running stream. Our unused muscles are subject to atrophy much more rapidly than those in use. The unused cells in our brains deteriorate much faster than those which are continually exercised. Hence, to remain young we must remain active.

It took ten years for the sculptor, Bartholdi, to complete the Statue of Liberty.

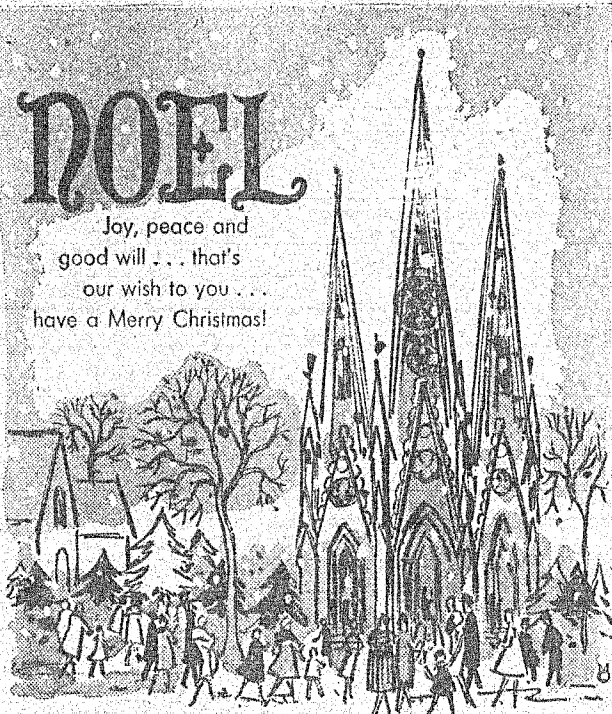
Tinsel

Tinsel on the Christmas tree began, so legend says, when spiders covered with webs a tree that had been decorated by a mother for her many children.

To reward the woman for her goodness to her children, the Christ Child changed the spider webs to gleaming silver.



Grady Shepard of Hale Center, Texas, was the recipient of The Cattleman Magazine's first annual "Southwestern Cattle Feeder Award," which was presented at the Annual Cattle Feeding Conference sponsored by the Cattle Feeders Division of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, in Corpus Christi, Dec. 5. The award was in the form of a leather plaque which was presented by Henry Hinderman, editor of The Cattleman.



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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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Hosch Bros.

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The Finest Day Of Its Kind

I was teaching a village school in the Ozarks, relates Otto Ernest Rayburn in Journal of Living, when I made his acquaintance. He was an old, old man, as years go, but there was zest for life in the gleam of his eyes. His favorite pastime was taking long solitary walks through the hills. I did considerably hiking myself after school hours and on holidays and frequently I met the old man on some trailway outside the village. Always he greeted me with this zestful phrase: "Young man, it's a fine day, ain't it!"

One day in early winter while taking an accustomed hike, I was caught in a blizzard. Blinding sleet pushed by a strong wind made my progress slow as I retreated toward the village. At a turn in the road I came suddenly upon my old neighbor, warmly clothed, apparently

comfortable, leaning on his cane. Out came the greeting as usual: "Young man, it's a fine day, ain't it!"

On this occasion I did not agree and I spoke my mind. "What do you mean, calling this a fine day?" The old man straightened a little and said: "Well, it's the finest day of its kind I ever saw."

Bungalow houses originated in India.

Attend church regularly.

Trading Stamps soon will be the newest U. S. export to Europe. Growth in retailing volume and personal income among 200 million people of the United Kingdom and the six Common Market nations prompted the move.

Columbia University was first known as Kings College.

Europe is the second smallest continent in the world.

Snowflakes always have six sides.

ANNOUNCEMENT

DR. CHARLES M. HENNER

Will be at the SANTA ANNA CLINIC and HOSPITAL Jan. 6, 7, 8, 1963. He will see patients these days while I am on vacation.

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Bob Turner Army Store

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Joy and Reverence Mark Holy Season

Candlelight and music, pagants and prayers fill churches everywhere as Christians celebrate, at special services, the birth of Christ. The joy and wonder of Christmas, with its message of new life, hope and promise of "Peace on Earth, Good Will toward Men," finds expression many ways.

In choirs singing the praises of the Babe of Bethlehem, in scenes symbolizing the birth of a Child in a manger, in the gleam of candles reflecting the light of a Star, in the sound of voices raised in carols gathered from around the world and showing the true brotherhood of man. Christmas in all its beauty and glory goes out to hearts young and old.

"CHRISTES MASSE"
To Western Christian believers, December 25 carries all the deep religious meaning appropriate to the anniversary of the birth of Christ. As the date for the celebration of "Christes Masse," the Mass of Christ, it was selected some centuries after the Nativity — selected from a number of possible dates, among them January 6, March

21, March 29, April 9, May 20, September 29 and November 17. In some Eastern Orthodox churches, Holy Night comes on January 6, Christmas Day on January 7. The Armenian church celebrates Christmas on January 19.

Generally, researchers are agreed that the correct date and year of Christ's birth are lost in the past, although some tentative conclusions can be drawn. Since it is the meaning of the day that counts, the date that has for centuries symbolized the coming of the Saviour will undoubtedly continue its holy significance in Christendom.

To those who like to ponder on the world as it was when the Infant Jesus was born, and on the growth of Christianity, some delving into the researches about Christmas can be a rewarding experience. Any tendency to take Christmas for granted disappears in the fascinating study of the early Christian church and its growth in the face of resistance.

A comparison of Biblical references with archaeological and historical researches discloses

that Christ was probably born before 4 B.C. — in other words, the present year is not 1962 of the Christian era but at least 1966.

Evidence to support this relates to the reign and death of Herod. An eclipse of the moon in 4 B.C., which coincided with a Jewish religious festival, has helped historians to fix the death of Herod at about this time — and when he died, according to the New Testament, the young Jesus, Joseph and Mary were living in Egypt.

DATE FOR TAXES
That the birth of Christ may have occurred as early as 7 B.C. is deduced from archaeological discoveries indicating that one of three major tax collections in the reign of Augustus Caesar may have taken place then.

Selection of December 25 as the birth date of Christ may have been an effort on the part of early Christian leaders to counteract the pagan appeal of the Roman Saturnalia, a festival held at the turning of the year.

Re-Creating The Nativity

Re-creating the Nativity Scene at Christmas, with Mary, Joseph, the Infant Jesus and the animals of the manger, originated, many scholars believe, with St. Francis of Assisi on Christmas Eve 1223 in the little mountain town of Greccio, Italy.

Wishing to dramatize the birth of Christ for his parishioners, St. Francis and his helpers set up a realistic representation of the manger scene.

Sea Inspires Lore Of Ships At Yule

"Ships arrive on Christmas morning, carrying Jesus, Mary and Joseph," says the English carol, "I Saw Three Ships Come Sailing." This is one of many legends developed by seafaring peoples to connect Christmas and ships.

Stories of the first St. Nicholas were carried from Asia Minor to Northern Europe by sailors and children in Holland long believed that St. Nicholas arrived by ship from Spain. In Greece, St. Basilio comes on January 1 to deliver gifts, and he too is transported by ship.

The Smashing Impact of a giant meteorite striking the earth is simulated at Stanford University where a "b-b" (air rifle shot) suspended on a thread plinks against a 300-pound, 12½-inch-diameter steel ball. Scaled up, the power of this Lilliputian collision equals the crash of a projectile 20 to 40 miles in diameter against the earth, or the blast of a 5-to-10-megaton H-bomb.

Attend church regularly.



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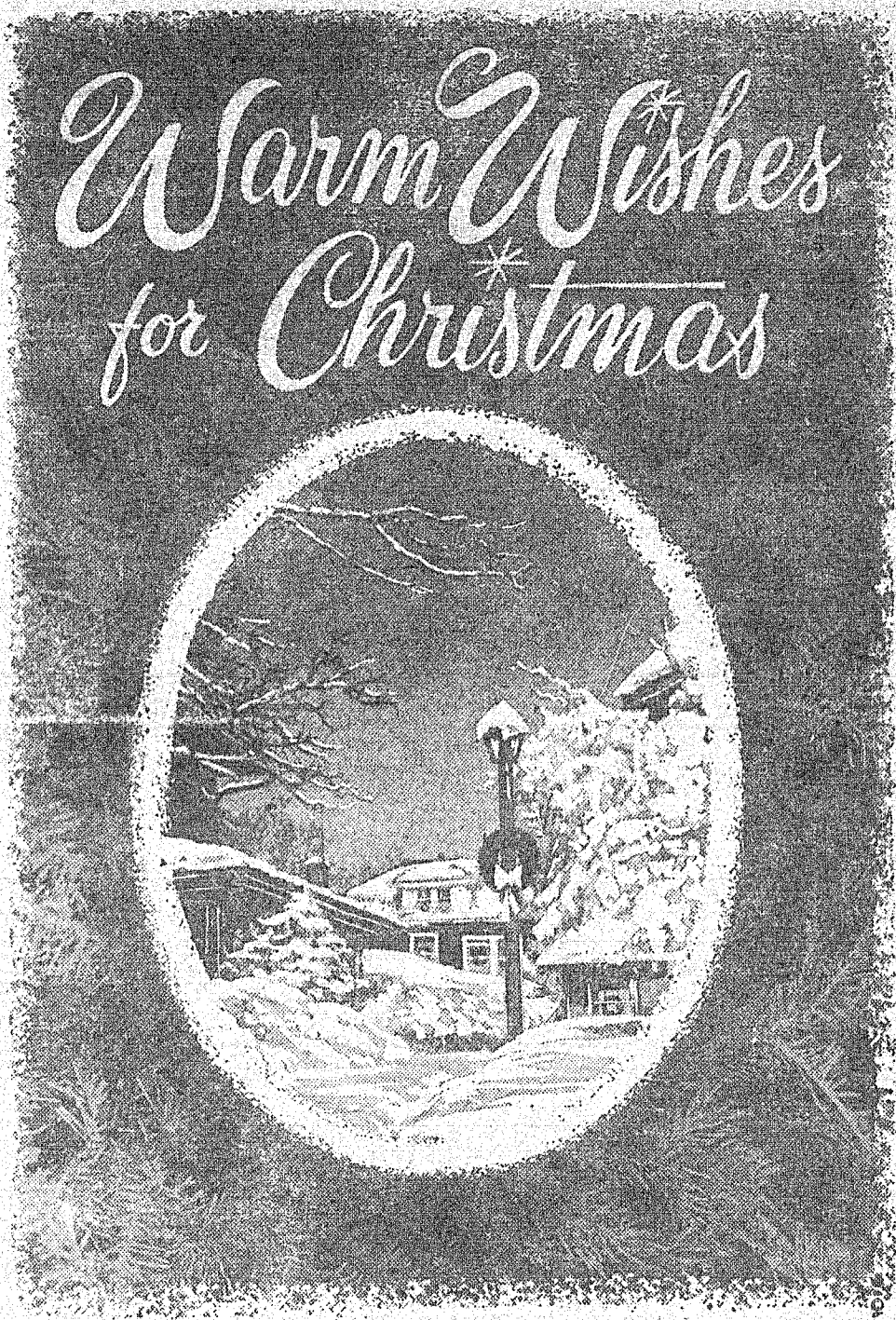
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Happy New Year

March of Dimes Scientists Find Armadillo Helpful in Twin Study

An oddball research animal that looks like a cross between an anteater and an armored tank is causing scientists to wonder if "identical" human twins are so identical after all.

The nine-banded armadillo, which is a native of Texas and points south, has several child-bearing characteristics that are similar to those of humans.

For this reason, Dr. Kurt Benirschke and colleagues at Dartmouth Medical College, Hanover, N. H., are using armadillos for studies of pregnancy and birth defects under a National Foundation-March of Dimes research grant.

It takes about the same length of time—nine months—for baby armadillos or baby humans to develop in the womb. And in both species, the placentas are structurally similar.

But a quirk of nature has made this odd mammal even more useful for medical research. It always has a litter of four. The four baby armadillos come from the same egg and are therefore always of the same sex.

What has this to do with human twins?

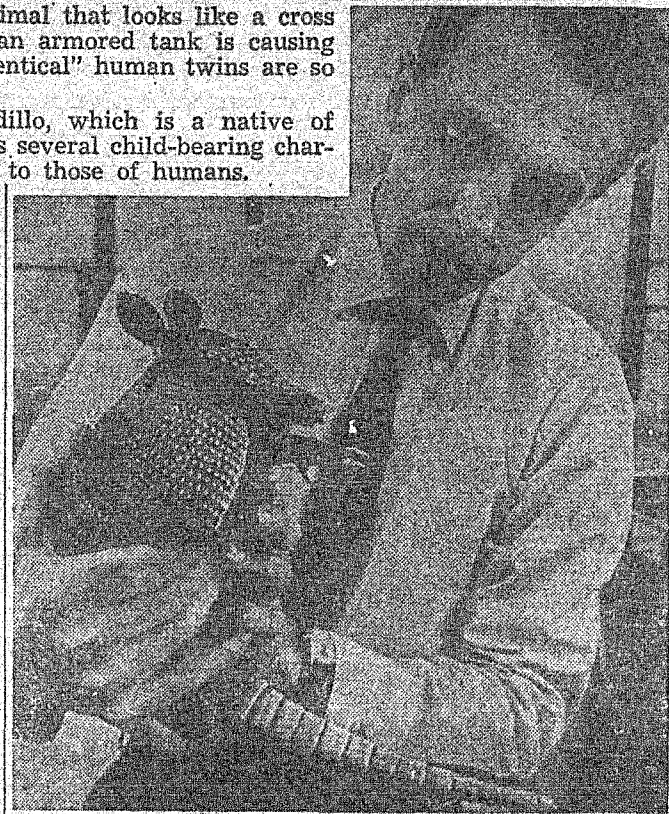
For years, scientists have believed that identical twins—those who develop through division of the same egg—are exactly alike down to the very last gene. They've assumed that it was this genetic similarity that permits successful transplants of skin or of organs between identical twins.

If this theory were wholly correct, it should be easy to exchange skin grafts between identical young of the same armadillo litter since they all came from a single egg.

But Dr. Benirschke and his associates, Dr. Alastair H. Inre and Dr. John Anderson, have found that such grafts often fail to "take."

This paradox has led them to suspect that the answer to graft tolerance cannot be found solely in genetic make-up. The March of Dimes researchers think the key may lie, at least in part, in the relationship of the embryo to the placenta—the material which nourishes the unborn infant.

Each armadillo quadruplet has its own isolated segment of placenta. This means that each gets a slightly different supply of nutrients, hormones



Dr. Kurt Benirschke, March of Dimes grantee at Dartmouth Medical College, Hanover, N. H., studies the strange-looking armadillo.

and blood elements. While such differences are minute, they may be just enough to individualize each animal's development so he won't accept grafts and transplants from his own littermate.

Human twins, on the other hand, sometimes share a common placenta—each getting exactly the same nutrients for development. Thus they become favorable candidates for any necessary organ exchange or skin graft in later life.

If graft acceptance in twins is related to their sharing—or not sharing—the same placenta, some other puzzles of pregnancy may also be a little closer to solution.

Why, for example, doesn't a pregnant animal "reject" its own embryo, which is actually a "foreign" substance made up of cells quite different from her own?

Or does she, in some instances? Could such a reaction lead to spontaneous abortion or a defect in the offspring?

Or could it be that the exchange of substances through the placenta permits the mother to "accept" the embryo?

Does this exchange also make it possible for some mothers and children to tolerate each other's skin or organ grafts later in life?

These are questions which have stumped scientists for many years. The answers, though still to come, may throw a bright new light on many problems of pregnancy, the causes of certain birth defects, and the success or failure of organ transplants.

And it may be one of the nature's more incredible creatures—*dasyus novemcinctus* (known familiarly as Mrs. Armadillo)—who will help turn the switch on this lamp of knowledge.

SUGGESTIONS FOR WINTER DRIVING

Dropping leaves and dropping temperatures are signals to get motor vehicles "winterized," J. O. Musick, General Manager of the Texas Safety Association, said today.

The safety director also recommended motorists change over now from summer driving to winter driving habits.

"Anticipating the cold weather that's coming, car owners will be wise to check now on their heaters, defrosting equipment and batteries," Musick said.

He pointed out that motor clubs and other organizations rendering emergency road service can attest to the fact that many of their calls deal with battery and starting failures.

"The time to have a battery checked is when it still seems okay," he added.

"Service stations will gladly advise on how to care for the battery on which you depend so much. Oil change, the addition of anti-freeze and putting reinforced tire chains in the trunk should not be postponed until some cold or blizzard morning when thousands of other last-minute car owners are compelled by weather to give emergency attention to their vehicles."

The change-over from summer to winter driving also calls for an inspection of windshield wipers, whose blades may have dried out from summer heat or age, Musick said.

"Automotive experts further recommend that the wipers should exert one ounce of pressure against the windshield glass for each inch of blade length.

"Many service stations and auto dealers now regularly use a simple test device to determine whether your wiper arms exert this pressure, needed to keep your windshield cleared adequately under adverse weather conditions."

Brakes, tires, headlights, parking lights, signal lights, exhaust system, anti-skid tire chains and seat belts are also important items to check on, the safety director said.

"A motor tune-up appointment with a qualified expert will pay off in dividends of added comfort and safety when bad weather days come—as they will come," he added.

Changing over in driving habits is a "must" for fall and winter driving, too, Musick concluded.

Speeds which were safe on dry summer pavements will not be safe on wet autumn roads, particularly on snow or ice, or icy winter roads," he emphasized.

Motorists must slow down when they encounter rain, sleet, fog, mist, snow or ice. Even on the coldest days and nights, ventilation is important in a vehicle to prevent drowsiness.

"And there'll be some days when headlights must be turned on even in midday if visibility becomes poor due to a storm."



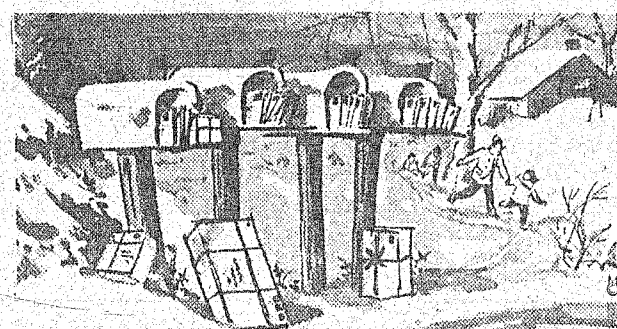
"I CAN HEAR THOSE FIRE SIRENS NOW..."

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No Christmas

Early Americans, especially those in New England, did not celebrate Christmas. They even looked upon it as a day of evil, calling it "the multitude's idol day." In 1659 in Massachusetts a law was passed which read:

"Whosoever shall be found observing such a day as Christmas—either by forbearing of labor, or feasting in any way, shall be fined 5 shillings." Governor William Bradford sentenced three youths to jail for playing on Christmas.



Warm Christmas Wishes

From all of us to all of you, in gratitude and deep appreciation for your continued friendship.

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Coleman, Texas



Best wishes to you and yours... above all, have a Very Merry Christmas!

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CHRISTMAS TRIMMINGS

The toy-stuffed Christmas stocking was the brain child of George E. Monsley, of Philadelphia.

A copy of the first Christmas card, etched by an English artist, is in the British Museum.

The largest Christmas tree ever lighted was 364 feet tall. It was in California's redwood forest, was first decorated on December 21, 1945.

Incredible as it seems, the odds are 7 to 1 against a man's getting a tie for Christmas.

The peacock was the official Christmas bird in early England and was not replaced by the turkey until the sixteenth century.

Just Once...

"Tis the night before pay day, and all through my jeans, I've hunted in vain for the ways and the means. Not a quarter is stirring, not even a bit, The greenbacks have left me, the pennies have quit, Forward, turn forward, oh, time in thy flight, And make it tomorrow, just for tonight.

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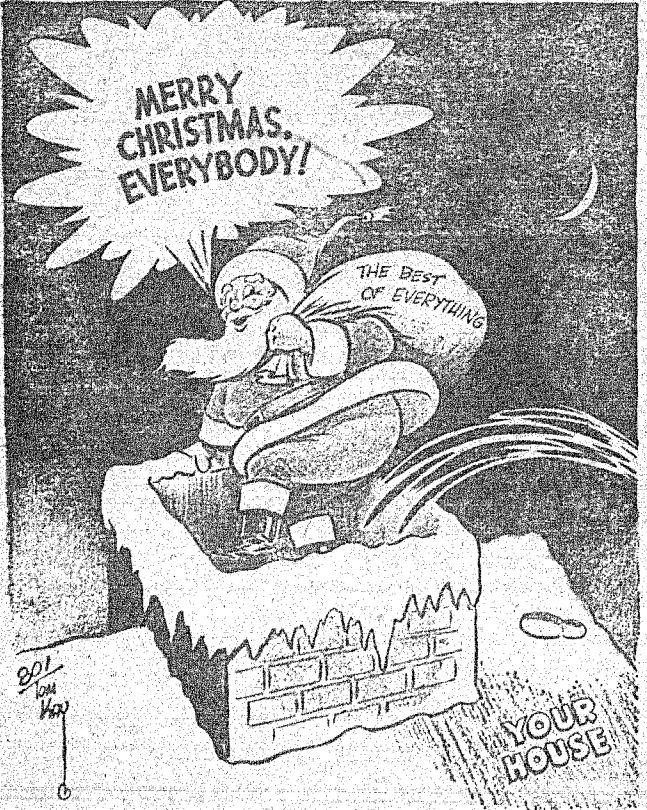
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Not Only Gold, But Frankincense, Myrrh Were Precious Gifts, Too

"And when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto Him gifts: gold, and frankincense, and myrrh."

Thus St. Matthew describes the first Christmas gifts of all, brought to the Christ Child by "wise men from the East." Each of the gifts were rare and especially in Biblical times, truly a treasure.

Among the gifts, the value and beauty of gold is most readily apparent to modern readers. Then, however, its worth was even greater, for it was still more rare and precious than it is today. Archaeological diggings in ancient Troy, Crete and Egypt have revealed that articles of gold were usually royal treasures.

Since St. Matthew says the wise men were from the East, their gold may have come from the mines of India Mysore.

Frankincense and myrrh, while less familiar today, have modern uses.

Frankincense, or "olibanum," is a gum resin which flows from a tree growing on bare rocks in the mountains of southern Asia and north-eastern Africa. It was formerly used in medicine but is now chiefly employed as incense in Catholic churches and Indian and Chinese temples.

Myrrh is the popular name

for a gum resin obtained from a small gray-barked tree which grows in Arabia and adjacent Africa. From earliest times it has been used for making incense and other perfumes, The Encyclopedia Americana says.

Marzipan Has Sweet Story

Sweet is the history of marzipan, a confection that is usually thought of as a Christmas candy. Today, it is still being made with the same kind of ingredients as those used hundreds of years ago.

It consists of freshly ground almonds made into a paste, whole eggs or whites of eggs, sugar, syrup and flavoring. Sometimes honey is added.

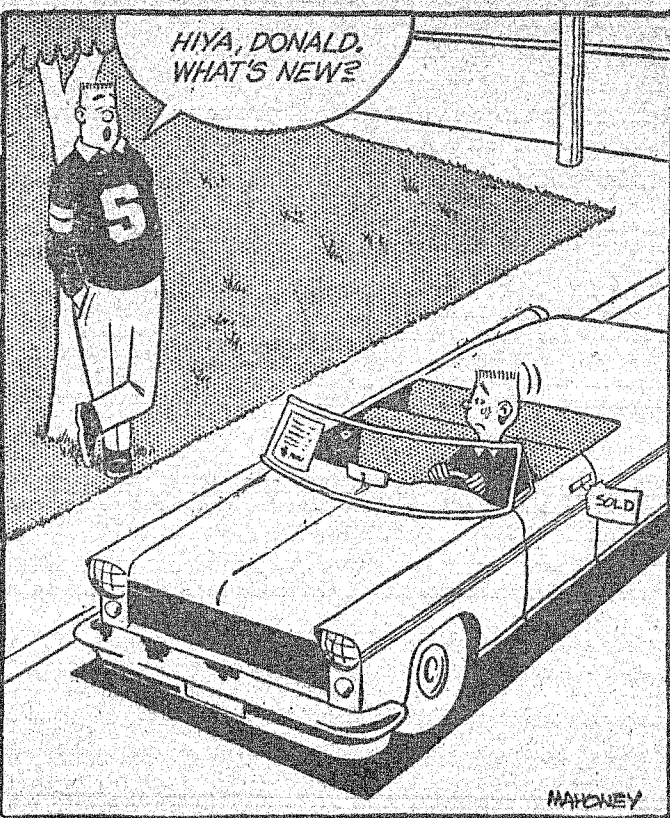
There are many legends concerning the word, "marzipan," says the Candy, Chocolate and Confectionery Institute.

One old tale attributes it to the bread eaten by St. Mark in the desert — "Marei panis," the bread of Marcus.

Records show that Bartolome Scappi, secret cook to Pope Pius V, made marzipan with the ingredients now found in modern recipes for the candy.

GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY.

HALF-PAST TEEN



Times Have Changed But Shepherds Still Watch Over Sheep At Night

Sheep and shepherding are closely linked with the Christmas story, and they also serve as a symbol of the kindness and loving care that was part of Christ's message to man-kind.

When darkness falls on Christmas Eve, today's shepherd is watching his flocks by night and, probably, looking at the stars in the heavens, just as the shepherds of old did.

There are some differences — for instance, the shepherd on the Western Ranges of the U.S. has changed the shepherd's robes for levis, and the flocks he watches are much larger, numbering sheep by the thousands. But the meaning of shepherd — "to herd, guard, lead," says a dictionary definition — hasn't changed.

Sheep still must be watched by night, because, for some reason known only to the sheep, night is the time they are most likely to decide to roam to far-away places. In sudden storms, the shepherd, his horse and dog must guide the flock to shelter.

The ailing sheep or the newborn lamb are sure of the herder's gentle care, and when part of the flock has strayed, he searches with a diligence that recalls the parable of Jesus:

"What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he finds it?" (Luke 15:4).

IN FRANCE
In southern France "santons" are better known than Santa. "Santons" are clay replicas of members of the Holy Family, manger animals and saints.

Since the creche, rather than the evergreen tree, is the center of Christmas home decoration in France, the santons play an important part.

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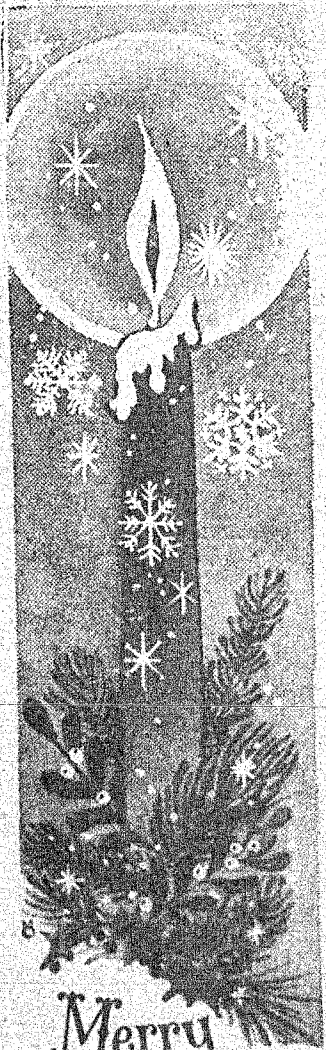
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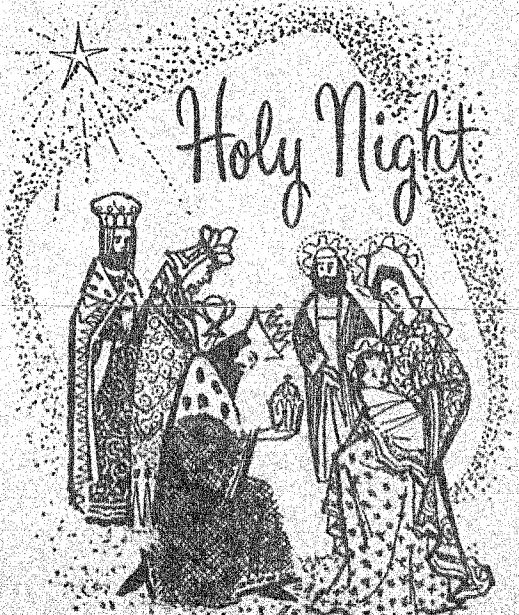
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Income Statistics Of Individuals

Texas taxpayers reported \$13.8 billion adjusted gross income on the \$2,873,000 tax returns filed for 1960, Ellis Campbell, Jr., District Director of Internal Revenue, said today. Income statistics, after allowance for deductions and exemptions, showed taxable income in Texas of \$7.17 billion resulting in income tax liability of \$1.69 billion. Both items represent increases over the income year

1959 — an increase of 0.3 per cent on taxable income (\$7.15 billion in 1959) and an increase of 0.2 per cent in income tax liability (\$1.69 billion in 1959). Internal Revenue reports that Texas tax returns showed an increase in 1960 over the previous year in salaries and wages, dividends, interest, and combined other income and loss. Largest increase reported was the 14.1 per cent rise in interest with \$213 million reported in 1960 as against \$187 million in 1959. Dividends were 8.3 per cent higher with \$321 million in 1960 and \$297 million in 1959. Combined other income and loss reported in 1960 was \$2,384 million in 1960 as compared with \$2,376 million in 1959, an increase of 0.3 per cent. Salaries and wages showed the largest dollar amount increase, with \$10,658 million reported in 1960, an increase of 0.8 per cent over the \$10,575 million in 1959.

On a nationwide scale, Internal Revenue's Preliminary Report for 1960 indicates the vast change in taxpayers' adjusted gross income over the past decade. In 1950 only 14 per cent of the returns had income over \$5,000. By contrast, of the 61 million individual returns filed for 1960, 42 per cent showed income above the \$5,000 level. As might be expected, the bulk of the increase in income from taxpayers reported nationally during 1960 came from salaries and wages, and it dwarfed the changes from other sources. Salaries and wages totaled \$257.9 billion for 1960, a \$10.5 billion increase over 1959. Taxable income nationally reflected the over-all rise in the level of income received by taxpayers in 1960. Taxable income of \$171.6 billion represented a \$5.1 billion increase over 1959, with the result that income tax liability rose to \$39.5 billion — over \$800 million higher than in 1959.

This information is available in the Preliminary Report, Statistics of Income — 1960, Individual Income Tax Returns, prepared by the Internal Revenue Service. This publication is available from the U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., for 20 cents. More detailed data for Texas and each of the other 49 States can be obtained from the Statistics Division of the Internal Revenue Service, Washington, D. C., or local Director of the Internal Revenue Service. Data available would include number of returns, selected sources of income, exemptions, taxable income, and tax.

A Semitropical Fish that produces only female offspring is puzzling University of Michigan zoologists. The minnow-size fish, *Poeciliopsis*, is found from Arizona to Columbia. In nine laboratory generations, the researchers say, only female young have been born to one strain.

Attend church regularly.

Temporary Winter Pastures Important To Stockmen

College Station — Most sections of Texas will soon need temporary winter pastures for normal grazing and to fill the gap created by the severe summer drouth, points out Ted Trew, extension pasture specialist. Green forage that animals can get in no other way can be supplied by these pastures, says Trew. These cool weather crops also allow summer grasses to rest before being grazed again, and they protect and improve the soil.

In planting the pastures, allow an acre for each animal unit to be grazed. However, if land is not available, Trew says, plant as much as you can and ration the grazing. The time of planting is very important in winter pasture production, says the specialist. Planted too early, your crop may get caught by hot, dry weather but if planted too late, it will not provide grazing until spring.

The newer varieties of oats are Moregrain, Suregrain and Alamo-X. They will each provide early grazing but only the first two named are resistant to leaf rust. Elbon and Gator are rye varieties which produce early grazing of good quality. However, since they mature early, they do not provide grazing all winter.

Gulf ryegrass has proved itself as a forage producer in Southeast Texas, says Trew. He adds that two new vetch varieties, Lana Woolypod and Organ Woolypod, are both earlier than hairy vetch.

In many areas, fertilization will be necessary to get most production from the winter pasture. A soil test is the best guide for determining the amount and kinds of plant food needed, says Trew. Top dressing may also be beneficial for stimulating early and late spring growth. And don't be too anxious to graze the pasture once it is up, explains Trew. Allow oats to get 6 inches high before grazing and when they are grazed down give them 4 to 5 weeks for regrowth, he says.

Temporary winter pastures can take up where summer pastures leave off if they are planted at the right time and given

good management. Trew suggests a visit with the local county agent for details on winter pasture programs.

Cards Show Changes

Greeting cards for Christmas show, each season, an increase in the number of religious subjects — but this has not always been true. In fact, the earliest Christmas cards often had designs that seemed to have no connection with the holiday.

Instead of Nativity scenes or symbols of holly and mistletoe, early American Christmas cards of the 19th century were decorated with roses and portraits of young ladies, according to The Encyclopedia Americana. Often, plump robins were pictured sitting on tree branches dripping with icicles.

In this early stage pin-up girls were not unusual. Kate Greenaway drawings were frequently used, some cards picturing single figures from her drawings, others portraying dancing girls with garlands of flowers.

About 1870, cards were frosted and fringed with heavy silk.

WRITING CAROLS

Men from many walks of life have contributed to the Christmas chorus of carols. Francis Scott Key was not only a lawyer and the author of the Star Spangled Banner; he also wrote

carols. And the comedian, Harpo Marx, authored a carol now sung in many churches, "Guardian Angels."

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"But," said the young man, "there isn't anything at all that I can do."

"A wise thinker," said the business man, "once gave us something like this: 'Every man born into the world has his work born with him.' Now, you too have some activity. What is it?"

Hesitatingly the young man answered, "I make soap."
"Well, you can make a success at that as well as at anything else. Go home, young man, and make better soap today than you have ever made before — and tomorrow improve on that."

The young man followed the advice. He made different bars and added a scent to the soap, which was an innovation. He gradually improved on this new product, and the soap he thought unsalable once, was quickly absorbed by an eager public.

Today there is not a youth in any part of the civilized world who has not heard of the name of the millionaire magnate who at one time considered himself a colossal failure. For that successful soap manufacturer was none other than Gilbert Colgate of New York City. — The Wilmae Magazine.

There is one good thing about winter — he brings Christmas. Through the bleak December the thought of the coming festival is pleasant — like the reflection of a fire on our faces. We taste the cake before it is baked, and when it is actually before us we find that it is none the worse for the fond handling of imagination.
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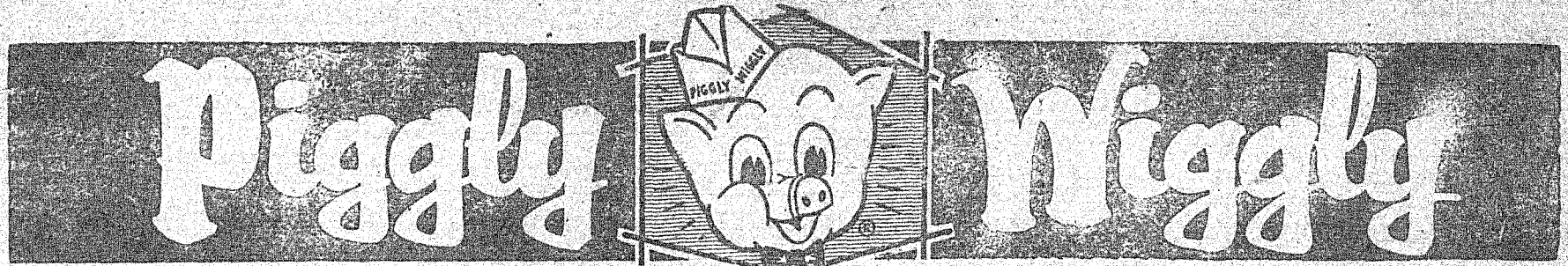
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Candles Gleam, Bells Ring, St. Nick Arrives -- It's Christmas!

Yule Is Time For Customs

As the world grows smaller, Christmas observances in different countries grow more similar. Santa Claus in red suit and white beard drives his reindeer-drawn sleigh to North, Central and South America and to many other countries as well.

In fact, when the first explorer lands on Mars, he shouldn't be too surprised to discover that Santa, and even Rudolph, got there first.

Sharing of Christmas customs, however, only serves to point up the fact that this is a holiday which draws ideas from all lands and times, uniting them in both religious and secular observances of the season.

IN MEXICO
Celebrating the posada is a Mexican custom focused on the Nativity.

"Posada" means "lodging" or "inn," and for the nine "posada" days from December 16 to 25, churches, hotels, social groups and families throughout Mexico act out the story of the Nativity.

A procession of pilgrims comes to the place where the celebration is scheduled. They carry clay figures of Mary and Joseph and they seek shelter from the "innkeepers" within.

At first the innkeepers refuse, then they admit the pilgrims to feast and rejoice. Figures represent

senting Mary and Joseph are placed in a replica of the manger. On Christmas Eve, the figure representing Jesus is added.

IN HOLLAND
Gifting season in Holland traditionally begins on December 5 and is called "Strooivand" or "strewing night." Children place their shoes by the fireplace, filled with carrots and hay for St. Nicholas' horse — in the expectation that on the morrow the shoes will contain candy, fruits and toys.

IN SCOTLAND
Christmas feast favorites in Scotland include shortbread, a rich cake or cookie, and haggis, a kind of pudding. New Year's Eve, or Hogmanay, is the principal day for gifts and greetings, when children go singing from house to house, in hopes of a treat. New Year's visits are paid — and it's customary for the visitor to bring along a pocketful of coal.

IN PORTUGAL
Christmas is the occasion for a family celebration among the

Portuguese. Families gather on Christmas Eve for dinner at the home of the oldest living relative. After the children have gone to bed, a crib or creche is placed before the fireplace, and around it are grouped the children's shoes, which serve the same function as Christmas stockings.

IN BRAZIL
Papa Noel makes the Christmas Eve rounds in Brazil, in a reindeer-drawn sleigh. He trims the trees with popcorn and bits of cotton — to make up for the snow that never falls. Since Christmas weather in Brazil is summery, picnics and boating excursions are part of the celebration.

IN GERMANY
Many modern Christmas customs come from Germany, including the lighted evergreen tree. Appropriately, gift-choosing season in West Germany today starts after Christmas bonuses are distributed on December 1.

IN ITALY
Santa Claus is gaining favor with Italian children, but the traditional gift-giver, especially south of Rome, is Befana. Usually represented as a gray-haired witch who rides a broomstick, she brings toys for good children, but a stocking full of coal or ashes for naughty ones.

Legends say, variously, that she misdirected the Magi or that she refused shelter to the Holy Family. Repenting, she now goes around the world on Christmas Eve, seeking the Christ Child and doing good to children.

Johnathan Hulls, an Englishman, built the first steam propelled vessel in 1706.

Francis Scott Key wrote "The Star-Spangled Banner" in 1814.

Christmas comes but once a year — and into that magic "once" are packed years and years of well-loved traditions. Candles gleam brightly, bells ring merrily, glad carols fill the air.

Up goes the tree and on go the ornaments and lights, in many a home and in many other places, too, both in and out of doors. Evergreen branches, holly and mistletoe decorate the season.

Children eagerly await Santa Claus, his sleigh and his reindeer. Stockings are hung, and greetings and gifts, gaily wrapped, spread the spirit of Christmas.

How did it all begin? The manger scene, in churches and homes, testifies to the religious meaning and real beginning of Christmas. To be glad and grateful, to give and to help others are expressions of that meaning.

The legends and customs of the holiday season, however, come from scores of sources, and many ancient festivals have contributed their part to Christmas as a time of merry-making.

GIVING GIFTS
First of all Christmas gifts were gold, frankincense and myrrh, the wise men's gifts to the Infant Jesus. Gift giving at the season of the year now celebrated as Christmas can also be traced back to pre-Christian times.

The ancient Romans exchanged gifts during their Saturnalia, a festival honoring Saturn, the pagan god of agriculture. Hanging gifts on trees figured in Druid tree worship in early Britain.

HELPING POOR
Principles of Christianity are reflected in Christmas giving to the poor and unfortunate. An old legend says that on Christmas Eve the Christ Child roams

the earth, dressed as a beggar, in search of food and shelter. People believed that any kindness shown a beggar expressed a love for Jesus.

SOURCE OF SANTA
Origin of Santa Claus as a gift giver is usually traced to a real St. Nicholas, bishop of Myra, in Asia Minor, in the fourth century A.D. St. Nicholas was renowned for his generosity, and he still retains his role as a gift giver in many countries, arriving on January 6 — traditionally the date of the visit of the wise men.

YULE GREENS
Evergreens at Christmas are an emblem of life eternal. Ancient peoples believed that the greenness of evergreens in winter was a promise of the creator that spring would come again.

SINGING CAROLS
Caroling at Christmas may be a carryover from the Roman songs of the Saturnalia, or so some researchers believe. Early Christian songs were solemn and somewhat forbidding. The

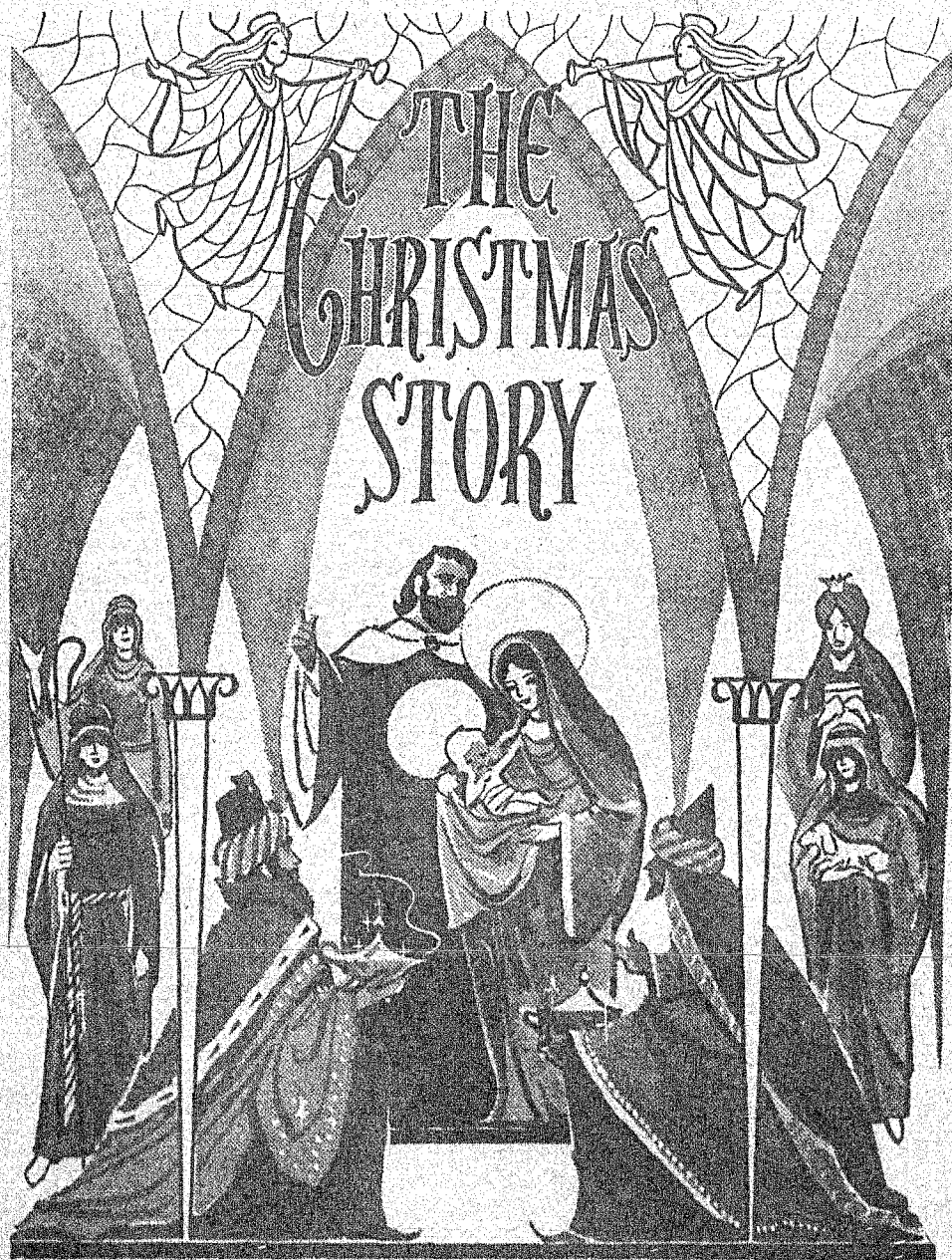
simple, touching carols best liked today didn't gain widespread popularity until the 14th and 15th centuries.

DECORATING TREES
In ancient feasts of the winter equinox, trees were adorned with trinkets. Like many pagan customs, the evergreen tree became associated with Christian observances, and legends link it to the birth of Christ. One story says that on Christmas Eve, all the trees of the forest bloomed and bore fruit.

LIGHTING CANDLES
Candles at Christmas symbolize the coming of Christ as the Light of the World. Since earliest times, man has used lights — torches, watchfires, beacons, on occasions of joyous celebration.

Custom of placing a candle in the window on Christmas Eve is usually attributed to the Irish. It was thought that Christ wandered the earth on that night, and a candle would show Him a home where He was welcome, or help to light Him on his way.

Holiday Greetings



Once again we pause to observe, and gather new inspiration from the age-old story . . . the birth of our Saviour . . . and His divine, eternal presence. May every joy and blessing of this Holy Season come to you and your loved ones, bringing peace and happiness . . . making spirits bright!

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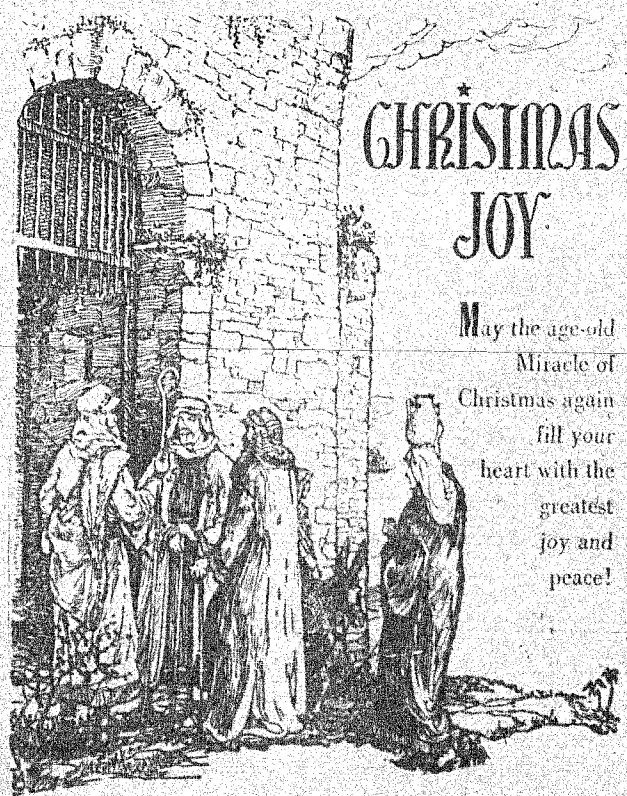
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Dear Santa Claus I would like a toy poodle and a cash register. I would also like a can can and some blocks. Love Cynthit Vasquez

Dear Santa Claus. I would like a pellet gun, an a football an a pump an some fruit. I love you. Love Rocky Dean

Dear Santa Claus. I would like a bicycle for a boy

and a train please. and a football.

Love
Terry Simmons

Dear Santa Claus, Please bring me a toy tractor, a coke truck and some animals. Don't for get the other boy and girl and my mother and daddy.

Thank you,
Ronnie Daniel

Dear Santa Claus, I want a story book and a truck and a B. B. gun and the car. and a train.

I love you Santa Claus. From Robert Diaz.

Dear Santa Claus Please give me a red hair Barbie and clothes too. Please give me a baton. Please give me some skates too.

Love Stacy
P. S. Shannon wants a thirtee cry baby. Love Shannon

Dear Santa Claus, I would like to have an electric train, a football suit and a car-racing set.

Please remember all of the other boys and girls. Thank-you, David Horner

Dear Santa Claus Please bring me a football and a gun. Bring my horse some hay and my dog a rubber toy.

Love
Terry Loyd

Dear Santa Claus Please bring me a ring and a one-year old baby that drinks walks and wets.

Please bring me fruit. Please bring me a story book. Please bring me a rabbit. Please bring me a baton suit. Love Your friend Lucinda Smith

Dear Santa, I want a horn, a nurse kit and a doll with lots of clothes. Please bring my little brother a horse.

I will be a good girl. Love, Sandra Ann Harris

Dear Santa Claus, Please bring me some little cars and tractor with a trailer. Also fruit and candy. Don't forget other boys and girls.

Love John Rendon

Dear Santa Clause, I am writing to let you know that I have been a good boy and I would like for you to bring me an air rifle with bullets, a gun holster and a cowboy suit, for Christmas.

Merry Christmas to you. I love you Gilbert Diaz Santa Anna, Texas

Dear Santa, I love you. I want a Chatty Cathy doll very much. Thank for the bicycle you gave me last year.

Love, Regina Cupps

Dear Santa, I am Larry. Please bring me a bulldozer. I am a boy. Thanks, Larry Hounshell

Dear Santa Claus I want a gun. Bring me some cars, and bring me a football. My little brother want a toy airplane.

Thank you. Love Johnny E. Salazar

Dear Santa, I have been a good boy. I am 6 years old and my brother is 4. Please bring us a gun rack and some guns and holsters for

Christmas, Love, Clay Bass

Dear Santa! Merry Christmas! Please bring me a small bicycle. I like fruit and candy, too. Thank you, love Robbie Carl Drake

Dear Santa Claus, I want a dolly and some cake mixes. Please bring Scottit a

fire engine and airplane. We have been a good girl and boy.

Don't forget the other children. Love, Debbie and Scott Bowker

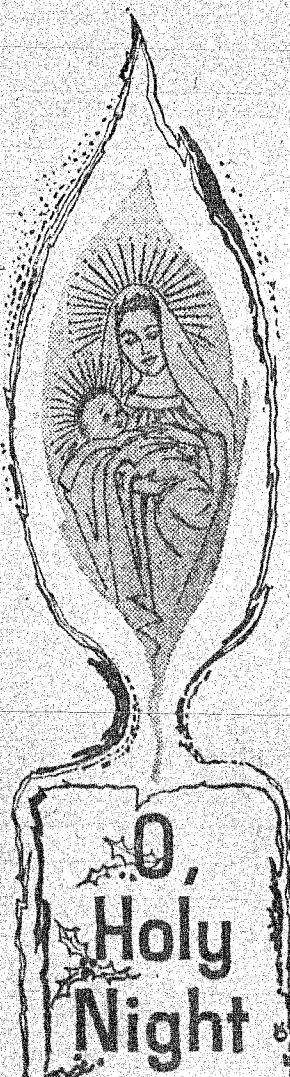
Dear Santa Clause Please bring me some dishes and a snow cone maker and a game. Love, Serena Bryan.

OUR FONDTEST WISHES FOR A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL... AND SINCEREST THANKS FOR YOUR PATRONAGE



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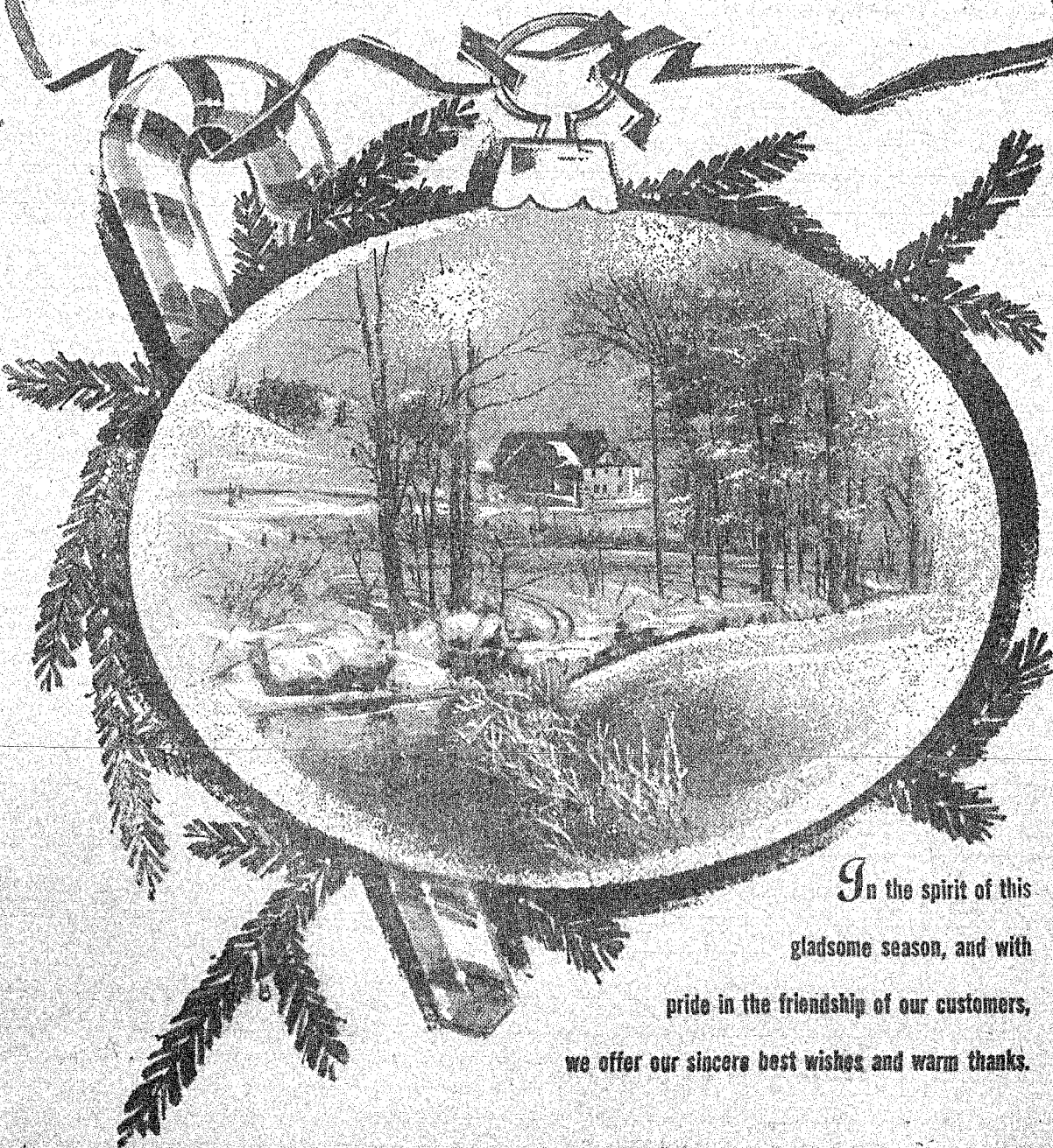
On this anniversary of the birth of our Blessed Saviour, accept our most sincere good wishes for a joyous Christmas to you and yours.

Bozeman Electric Shop

And Refrigeration Service

113 Park St. Coleman

SEASON'S GREETINGS



In the spirit of this gladsome season, and with pride in the friendship of our customers, we offer our sincere best wishes and warm thanks.

Coleman County Electric Cooperative, Inc.

OWNED BY THOSE IT SERVES

To Wish You

Every joy and happiness at the holiday season! May you enjoy all the traditional festivities and delights of this glad time.

Delma Johnson

IMPLEMENT COMPANY

203 Needham St.

Coleman, Texas

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like for you to bring a saddle for our horse. I want a snow cone machine and a BB gun and two whistles. Don't forget the little children who are in hospitals.
I love you,
Danny Wheatley

Dear Santa Claus
Please bring a colorbook and a big box of mapcolor and a big box of crayola and a cancan and a bridedoll and my little sister wants a bicycle and a doll.
My big sister want a tru-view.
Don't forget other boys and

girls. And please bring me some candy and please bring me some fruit.
Love
Becky Rendon

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Barbie doll and some of her clothes. I would like a new slip and nightgown.
Please bring my sister an erecter set.
Love,
Carol Kingsbery

P. S. We would like some nuts and candy too.

Dear Santa Claus,
Pese being me a cash register. Please bring me a doll.
Love,
Sharon Calpepper

Dear Santa Claus
Please bring me a pair of gun-smoke guns.
Sonya wants a Suzy Smart doll.
Joy wants a Yogi Bear horse. Ginger wants a tricycle.
I love you.
Your friend
Cline Smith
and some frut and nut.

Dear Santa Claus,
Thank you for the letter you wrote me last year. I would like a Barbie doll and clothes, a game, and a bicycle. I want a ballerina doll, too. Dont forget all the other little children.
Love,
Patricia Allen

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a baby doll and a toy sewing machine, and my little sister a walking doll and a nurses' kit.
Please don't forget the other little children.
Love,
Donna Rasberry

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Tiny Tears doll with clothes and cradle and a snow cone machine. I've been a good girl. Remember my little brothers and sister and all the other little children.
Love,
Tony Allen

Dear Santa Claus
I want an etch-a-sketch and a doll and anything else you want to bring me
Love your friend
Kathy Estes

Dear Santa
Please bring me a cotton candy maker, a candy Fashion doll, a Po-go stick and a Blugo game. I will try to be a good girl till Christmas.
Love
Leann

Dear Santa Claus
I would like to have a cotton candy machine.
I would like to have a snow cone machine.

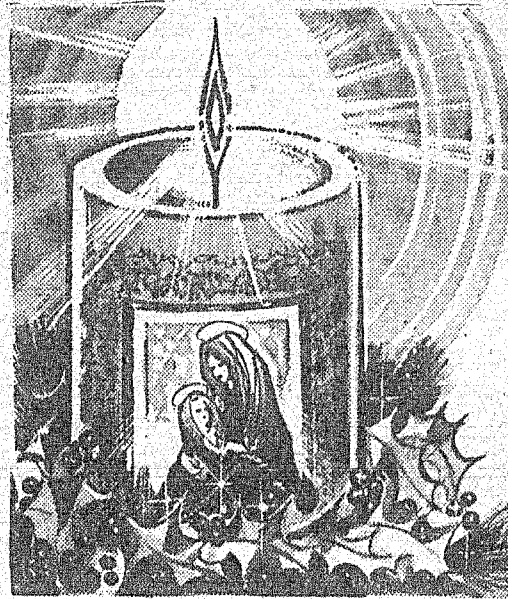
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And I would like to have a pair of saddle bags and shaps. Do not forget about the other boys and girls.
From your friend
Jana Kay Eubank
Dear Santa Claus
I would like a set of dishes and a fascination game. Don't for get all the other little girl and boy.
Love you.
Naomi Rushing



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Blessings...

Every Christmas candle beams the light of the Star that shone over Bethlehem the night when Christ was born. May the holy, blessed meaning of that Birth be reflected in this Christmas season, for you.

McCrary Shamrock Service Station

305 Wallis Ave. — Santa Anna



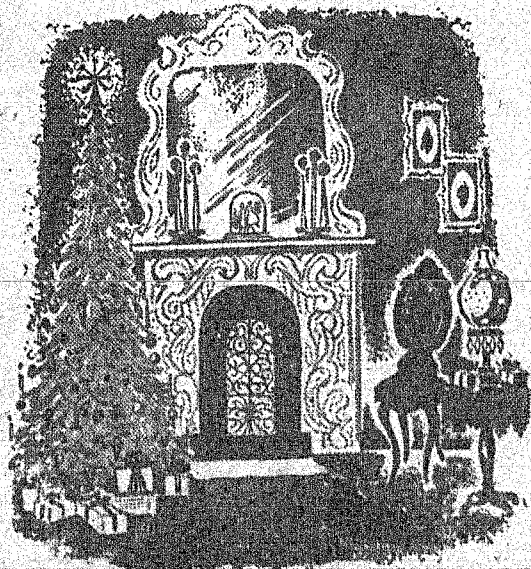
TO WISH YOU ALL THE JOYS OF THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

Coleman Venetian Blind Company

715 South Concho Coleman, Texas



We heartily wish, for you and yours, a most merry and festive Christmas...as filled with the joy of giving as jolly St. Nick himself...as full of happy wonder as the shining faces of children gathered around the tree. May your heart and home be brimming with all the most precious blessings of the Christmas season.



Christmas Greetings

... of the warmest, old-fashioned kind, from all of us to all of you!

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Santa Anna Elem.
Santa Anna, Texas
Dec. 6, 1962

Dear Santa,

We have been studying about how to write letters. I would like to have some Viue Master reels. I'd also like a Viue Master projector. I also would like one of those saws that cust stryfoam. We will leave you some fruitcake and some milk out for you.

Your friend,
Jimmy Benton

P. S. I will leave a stocking on the Christmas tree. Please fill it with chewing gum, candy and nuts. My little brother Larry Don would like to have a cannon that shoots cannon balls.

Dear Santa Claus,

I want three things for Christmas here is what they are a machine gun, Roy Rogers double

holstered guns, and a pro-style football.

Your friend
Lonnie Lowry

Kathy

Dear Santa Claus

I like you and hope you will come to my house. I want a doll and a dino and two tirs to go on my bicycle. I have ben a good girl. I love my dady and my mother.

Love
Fluff

Santa Anna School
Rockwood Texas,
December 4, 1962

Dear Santa Claus,

How is it at the North Pole? We're not having good wether down here. I hope you can get toys to all the children this year. And I also hope you can

bring Beth, Roddy, Rocky and I what we want. I don't know what they want but I want a Bety Wety for Christmas and I want mother and daddy to get what they want, too. Well good-by Santa, and we all wish you a Merry Christmas.

With best wishes,
Linda Dean

Santa Anna
December 5, 1962

Dear Santa,

I think that I have been a pretty good litte boy this past year. Will you please bring me for Christmas some clothes, a new bicycle, and a new wach. I want some botts.

Sincerely yours
Ricky Lynn Allcorn

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas I want a bicycle and a electric football game. I want some frowts and canty. Love your frind
David Drike

Santa Anna Texas
December 5, 1962

Dear Santa

Will you please send me a snow cone maker, and a Lulla-bye baby and a bicycle. I hope you can send something to all boys and girls.

Yours truly,
Pam Gill

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Troy Maurice Tommee. I am two years old. I think I've been a pretty good boy. Would you please bring me a bicycle, Yogi Bear and a bunch of candy. Bring my papa and Gramie French some candy too.

Love,
Troy Tomme

Dear Santa Claus,

I have been a good girl. Please bring me a Barbie Doll, cash register, and cradle. Remember all the other children too.

Becky Allen

Dear Santa Claus,

We have been pretty good boys. Please bring us a rifle and shaving kit.

Thank you very much.
Love
Guy and Gip Allen

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a doll and some books. Please bring my sister Jacqueline a monkey. If you can't bring a live one a toy will do.

Thank you,
Sharon Loyd

Dear Santa Claus,

May I have a thirtee cry baby and a Viue Master and a few books. Bring Buster something to wear in the winter. Do not forget Mother and Daddy, and the rest of the famiy.

Love your friend,
Suwanee Smith

Dear Santa Clause,

I would like you to bring me a Barbie and clothes and a Barbie carring case and a choo-choo bag and a watch and a balance baton. I would like you to bring me some clothes. I would like the 4 luggages. I would like a litte express desk.

Love,
Glenda

Dear Santa,

I want a doll with white hair that drinks and wets. I will give you my old doll back. We don't know what little brother wants because he can't talk yet. Anything he can chew on is fine. That's all I think.

Love,
Robin Nita Smith

P. S. We need some dishes to play with too.

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a pretty dress, ear rings, coat, a blackboard and eraser. Bring my little brother a Pinnocchio doll. Bring my little

baby sister a doll too. I will thank you very mush.

Love,
Maria DeLeon

Santa Anna, Texas
Trickham Route

Dear Santa Clause;

I'm a little boy almost four years old. Please leave me a big fire truck. I guess a bulldozer and a set of dishes.

I love you lots,
Tammy Elmo Blanton

Evergreen Still Tops As Tree

Nowadays Christmas trees are made out of almost everything, from aluminum to plastic — but the world's favorite Christmas tree is still the evergreen.

Many legends explain how the evergreen became associated with Christianity and Christmas. One is the story of St. Wilfred, according to The Book of Know-

ledge.

Speaking to a group of converts, the saint sought to illustrate how they had broken away from the heathen worship of the Druids.

He chopped down a giant tree — an oak, since this kind of tree was one of the chief objects of Druid worship. As it fell with a crash, it split into four pieces. From the center a young fir tree sprouted.

St. Wilfred told the converts that the fir should from then on serve as their "holy tree."

"It is the sign of an endless life," he said, "for all its leaves are evergreen, and it points toward heaven."

"It is the wood of peace, for all your houses are built of the fir. Let this be called the tree of the Christ Child; gather about it, not in the wildwood, but in your homes."

The 20th Constitutional Amendment is called the "lame duck" amendment.



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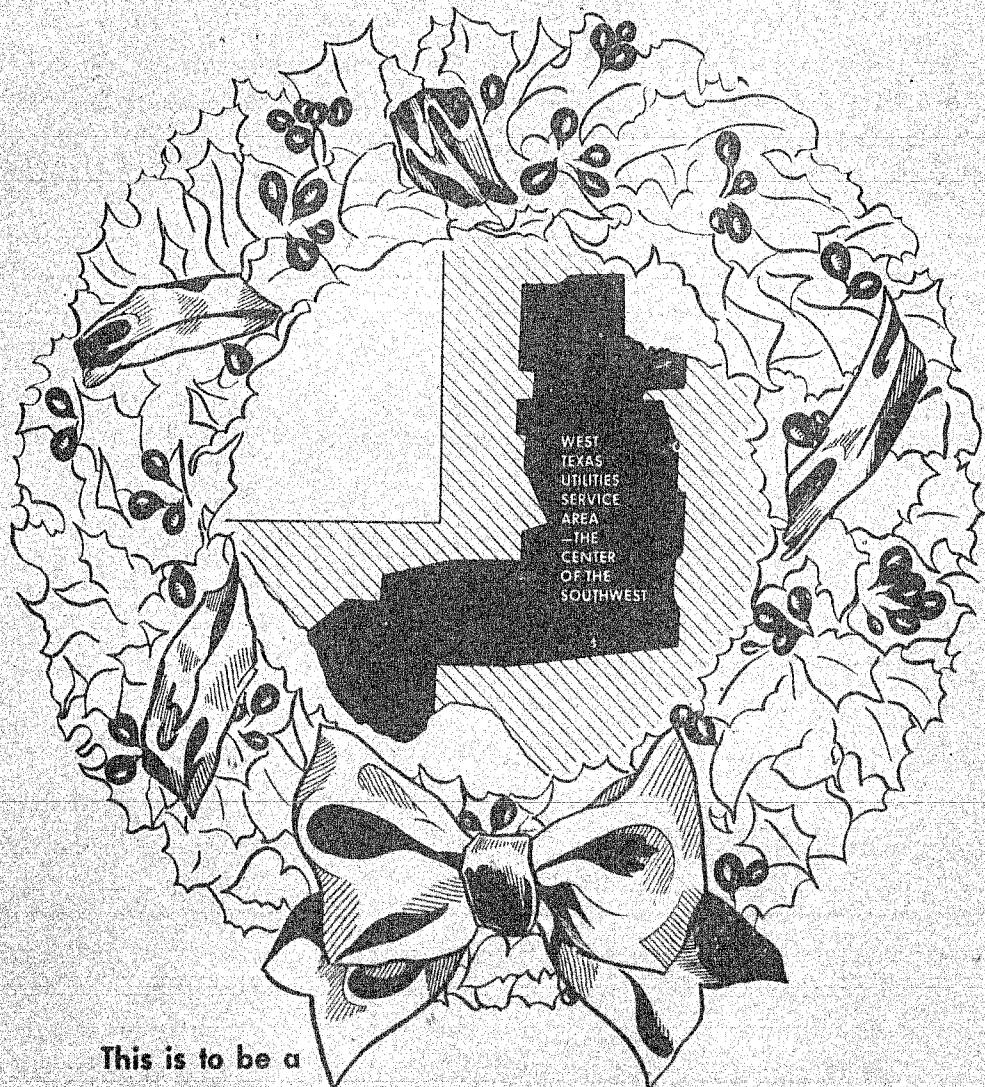
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Coleman Livestock Auction Commission Company

Highway 84 North

Coleman, Texas



Merry Christmas

FOR THE CENTER OF THE SOUTHWEST

Today, America's business leaders know more about the Center of the Southwest than they did a year ago.

That's because we have promoted the business and industrial advantages extensively throughout the year.

Our promotional efforts have reached attentive eyes and ears too.

So much so that we are encouraged to continue our area development program in 1963 with added enthusiasm.

So much so that this is, in reality, a Merry Christmas for The Center of the Southwest—the region that faces GROWTH UNLIMITED.



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Manger Once Pagan Site

Gathered in the Church of the Nativity, thousands of Christians from around the world will worship in Bethlehem this Christmas. A highlight of their pilgrimage is, for most, a visit to the Grotto of the Nativity — traditionally, at least, the manger where Christ was born. Opposition to Christianity in the first years of the new reli-

gion actually led to the preservation of the manger — an improvised stable in a cave hewn out of rock, near the center of the hill town of Bethlehem.

The Roman emperor Hadrian, who ruled from 117 to 138 A.D., sought to halt the fast spread of Christianity, and he had the cave converted to a grotto for the worship of the pagan god Apollo. The very fact that the cave was marked, though for pagan purposes, helped to pre-

serve knowledge of the site of the Nativity.

Later a silver star was set in the stone floor of the cave, and since 1873 each regime to rule Bethlehem — now a part of Jordan — has posted night and day guard over the star.

Santa Sets Up Shop Far From Home

Thousands of children actually get to see Santa at work every year. And they don't even have to travel to the North Pole!

The lucky youngsters are visitors to two "outposts" of Santa's workshop, located in Wilmington, N. Y., and Torrington, Conn. In either location, visitors may view Santa and his helpers as they make toys and other gifts.

"Santa's Workshop" or "North Pole," on the side of Whiteface Mountain at Wilmington, opens in June and continues operations until November. Eight reindeer are among the live animals present in the village.

Connecticut's "Christmas Village" is open for two weeks before Christmas. Here, elves help Santa, and reindeer-replicas include the red-nosed Rudolph.

In both villages the religious meaning of Christmas is well remembered and represented, with beautiful Nativity scenes illumined by a lighted star.

There Was Talk About Yule Toast

"Who sent the first Christmas card?" is a question for which, it seems likely, a completely accurate and satisfactory answer may never be found. Probably, the earliest cards were "do-it-yourself pro-

jects — handwritten holiday greetings on hand-decorated notepaper.

Popular claimant for "first Christmas card" honors is the Cole-Horsley card, designed in Britain in 1843 by John Calcott Horsley, an artist, for Sir Henry Cole, director of the Victoria and Albert Museum.

Since the card showed a family group toasting the holiday with glasses of wine, the card supposedly stirred criticism by temperance adherents — even though the card also depicted "clothing the needy" and "feeding the hungry." However, another story has it that Sir Henry gained his knighthood as the result of the acclaim he received for sending the first Christmas card.

YULE SERENADE

Serenading their neighbors with carols is a community enterprise in St. Louis, Mo. More than 50,000 carolers participate, under the guidance of the St. Louis Christmas Carols association, established half a century ago. Voluntary contributions to the carolers are used to help handicapped and underprivileged children.

REMEMBERS BETHLEHEM

"O Little Town of Bethlehem," a U. S. carol, was written by Episcopal Bishop Phillips Brooks in 1863, while he was rector of Holy Trinity Church in Philadelphia, Pa.

On a trip to the Holy Land two years earlier, he had seen the "little town of Bethlehem" on Christmas Eve, and the vivid memory of this scene later led to the writing of the carol.

Religion has been the greatest inspiration for subject matter in the visual arts.

Attend church regularly.

Dowries Filled Early Stockings

St. Nicholas, the early bishop who was the first Santa Claus, is also credited with originating the custom of hanging up Christmas stockings.

According to legend, he wished to provide dowries for the three daughters of a bankrupt merchant. Since he wanted the gifts to be anonymous, he tossed bags of gold down the merchant's chimney. Accidentally, the gold fell into stockings the girls had hung by the fireplace to dry.

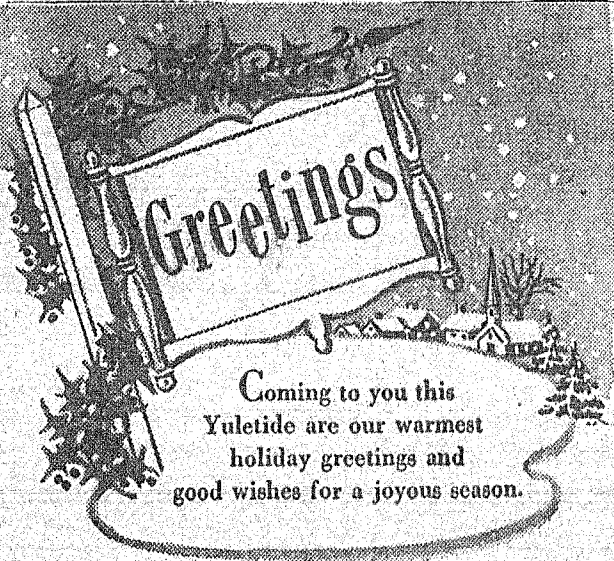
Factual handicap is that though St. Nicholas lived in the

fourth century, stockings weren't made with feet until the 11th century — but the Christmas stocking story is still a happy legend.

SANTA'S ELVES

The little elves who help Santa in his workshop probably came from the Scandinavian countries. In Norway, Denmark and Sweden, children are told of the "Tomtar," little gray-bearded, elf-like men who hide presents for boys and girls on Christmas Eve.

George Washington left this country only once, for a trip to the West Indies.



Coming to you this Yuletide are our warmest holiday greetings and good wishes for a joyous season.

L. Emet Walker

ABSTRACT CO.

307 Coleman Co. State Bank Bldg.



Christmas Blessings

May the joys and blessings of Christmas abide with you.

Standard Abstract Co.

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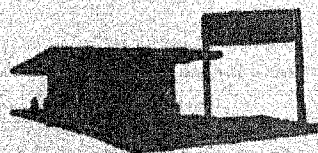
Best Wishes to You

Once again holiday bells ring out, the air fills with the fragrance of holly and poinsettia and everybody dreams about an old-fashioned white Christmas. As you trim the tree and stuff stockings, we extend best wishes for the merriest Christmas ever!

FRIENDLY

Coleman County State Bank

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Sincere Good Wishes



We wish everyone a holiday filled with joy and pleasure.

Coleman Monument Works

1301 East 9th St.

Coleman



GREETINGS

Merrily, merrily we sing out our wishes to you for the happiest holiday season ever!

HOLLINGSWORTH

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Roosevelt Street in North Coleman

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus,
The presents you brought me last year were nice. Please bring me a BB gun, a football, a game, and a cotton candy machine. Please bring my sister a doll and a stove.
Love,
Bobby

Dear Santa Claus,
I have tried to be a good girl. Please bring me a Barbie doll and a some clothes. I want a game and a transistor radio. I like the toy yo brought me last year.
Love,
Janice Armstrong

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a football and a BB gun. I want a game, too. I have been a good boy.
With love,
Billy Diaz

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a BB gun, a game, and a football for Christmas.
With love,
Richard Diaz

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 7 years old. I would like a BB gun for Christmas. Please bring a black board for my sister who is six and a toy gun for my brother who is three. We all love you.
Your friend,
David Cupps

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a walking doll and a black board and a coloring book with a sharpener and an eraser.
Your friend,
Barbara Diaz

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is John Valdez. I want a football and a football suit. I want a new pair of shoes. You are a good man Santa Claus.
Your friend,
John Valdez

Dear Santa Claus
Please bring me a Susie Smart doll this Christmas. Bring a BB gun for my brother who is six, and some toys cars for my little brother. My little sister wants a doll.
Love
Alma E. Salazar

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Juanita Valdez. I want some doll, an some shoes, dishes. An please don't forget my little sister. And all the rest of the boys and girls.
Merry Christmas everyone.
Juanita Valdez

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a football and a BB gun. I have been a good boy.
Love,
Buster Gandy

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a Susie Smart doll, some dishes, a story book, and some fruit.
Bring the other boys and girls some too. I am 7 years old.
Love,
Judy Wright

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a gun and holster set and, western belt with my name on it.
Love,
Rickey Makuta

Dear Santa Clause
Please bring me a bicycle and guns if you have plenty to go around. Don't forget my brother's and sister and all the other boys and girls.
Thank you
Larry Fry

Attend church regularly.

Dear Santa Claus
Please I want a bicycle, a pellet gun, a train and a football suit, and a B. B gun.
I love you.
Kevin Gary.

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a B. B gun and a play gun and a car and a train and a football. I love you.
Love
Roy Dean Keeney

Dear Santa Claus
I want a B. B gun and a game and a story book and some nuts and some candy.
Love,
Tony Beal

A Prayer for Christmas

May the spirit of Christmas inspire mankind to persevere in its quest for the blessing of Peace on Earth.

Sturges & Gibbs

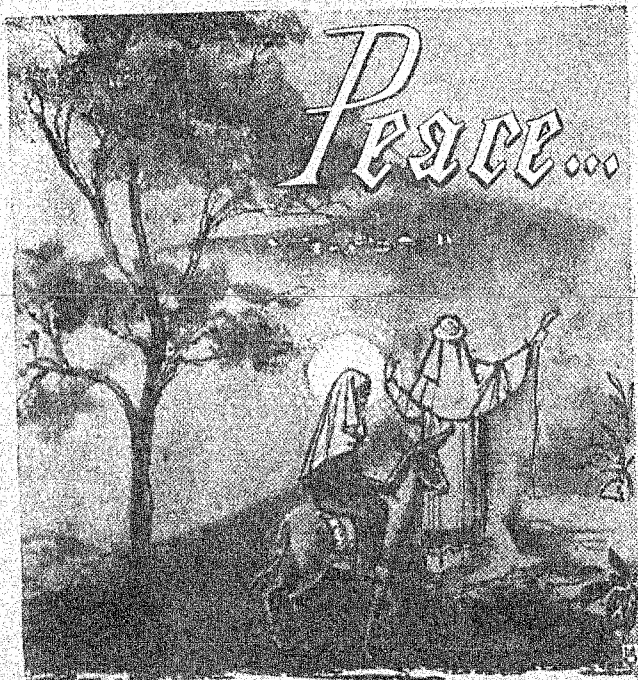
Coleman's Exclusive Ladies Store
108 Commercial Coleman, Texas



Best wishes to all for a joyous Christmas.

Lester McClellan

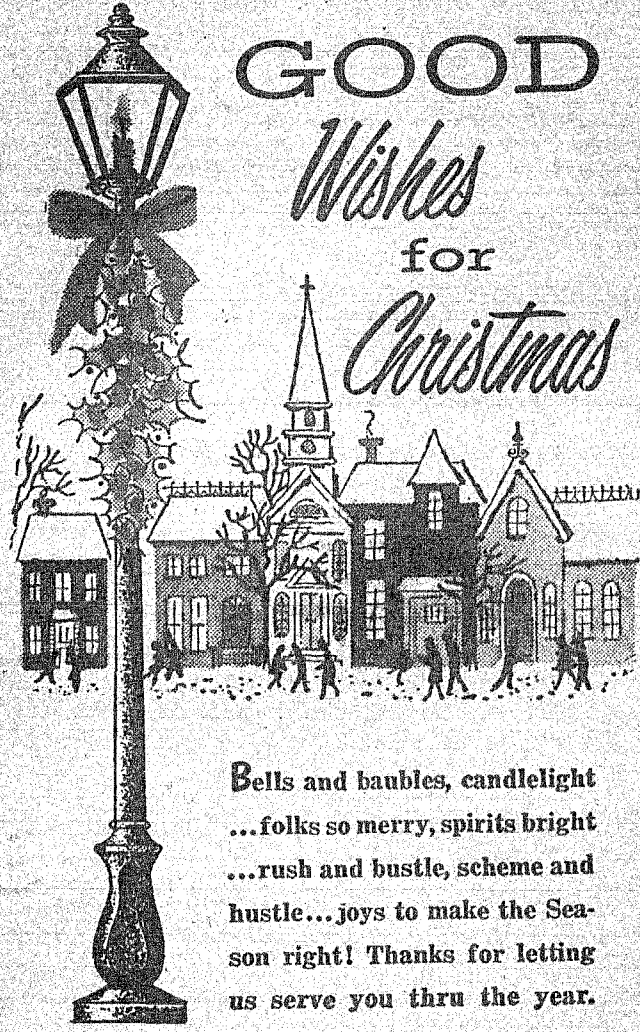
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May the Christmas spirit of Peace on Earth come to dwell in the hearts of all.

Reg's Trading Post

108 East Live Oak Coleman



Bells and baubles, candlelight
...folks so merry, spirits bright
...rush and bustle, scheme and hustle... joys to make the Season right! Thanks for letting us serve you thru the year.

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Burkett Highway — Coleman, Texas



Season's Greetings

Christmas
1962

To Our Friends:

At this happy season may we wish you an old, old wish, but one that is ever new... Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We want to express our deep appreciation for the part you have played in making our business what it is today. We will always do our best to justify your faith in us, and in our ability to serve you well.

Your friendship, your patronage, and your confidence are deeply appreciated and, as we approach the New Year, we wish you and yours a Merry Christmas and a New Year full of all the good things of life.

Sincerely,

Ardell Smith

Coleman Furniture & Appliance Discount Mart

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Clause,
I have been a good boy this year and I would like you to bring me a machine gun and a knife. Also my sister Karen wants a cotton school dress and shoes. My brother Joe wants a pair of binoculars to watch next years football games. Please send my nice teacher, Mrs. Perry, a gift.

I love you Santa Clause,
Mike Sawyer

Dear Santa
Please bring me a doll, a musical poodle, and a pink elephant

and please bring my little sister a horse trailer.

I love you,
Leslie McCreary

Dear Santa Claus
Please bring me a real shotgun for Christmas. Bring my brothens sombhing for Christmas amd my sisters.

Love
Benny Guerrero
Box 194
Santa Anna Texas

Santa Anna, Texas
December 5, 1962

Dear Santa,
I have tried my best to be a good girl this year.

For Christmas I would like to have a new doll, a snow cone machine and some new clothes.

Please bring me to all little girls and boys because there are some that don't get anything.

Thank you very much,
Deborah Elaine Allcorn

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy six years old, and in the first grade inschool. My Mommy says I have been a pretty good boy all year.

Santa, I would like for you to bring me a toy service station, a cork rifle, and a two gun holster set, some fruit, nuts and candy, and anything else you have for me, and Santa, don't forget my two sisters, and all the other boys and girls everywhere.

Your little friend
Randy Goodgion

Dear Santa
I have been a good boy this year.

Please bring me a football and rifle.

Don't forget the other children.

Thank you,
David Huggins

Dear Santa
My name is Danny Valdez. I want a pair of boots and guns for Christmas. Don't forget the little boys and girls like me.

Danny Valdez

Dear Santa,
I am seven years old. I have been a good boy. Please bring me a bicycle and gun holster set. Don't forget my brothers. I love you.

Steven Malaer

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some cloths and toys. Remember all of the girls and boys.

Thank you,
Danny Walker

Dear Santa Clause,
I hope you are doing o.k. Would you please bring me a "Thirsty Cry Baby" and basketball set.

Love,
Carla Bowen

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a real dog but no switches.

Mike Tindol

Dear Santa,
My name is Travis Bruce Moore. I am 7 years old and I am in the first grade. I would like to get a boxing bag for Christmas. I have been a good boy and I think I deserve this.

Yours truly,
Travis Moore

Dear Santa,
I am in the first grade this

year and I like school very much.

For Christmas please bring me a Civil War set, a basketball and goal.

Lane Guthrie
Santa Anna, Texas

Dear Santa Clause
Here I am writting to say hello!

Santa Clause, could you bring me a doll. I be a good girl.

By,
Your litttl gils
Alice Gil

Willie Donelson
224 Santa

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a fire truck and some other things.

Thank you,
Willie Donelson

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a bride doll, a snow cone machine and a set of dishes for Christmas.

I will try to be a good girl.

Love,
Debbie Jean Harris

Dear Santa,
I want a rifle with a gun rack and I want two guns and with two holsters with twelve bullets.

Your friend,
Nikki Dwight York

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a bb gun. I have been a good boy and do not forget other boy and girls.

Your friend
Vincent

Santa Anna School
Box 183
December 6, 1962

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a coat, Jeans, red purse and a jewelry box. My brother wants a pair of boots, a new coat and a car transport truck.

Love
Shirley Baker

Dear Santa,
I want a View-master projector and a set of Lincoln Logs. Canded, nuts and fruit.

Thomas

Dear Santa Claus
I want a National League Electric Football game that has 22 men on the field. The size is 36x21.

Your Friend
Bobby Tindol
P. S.

I want one of those Flintstones Fountain Center.

Dear Santa,
I would like for you to bring me a basketball or baseball and

bat. I will try to be a good girl till Christmas. I like Christmas more than any thing.

Love
Judy Brusenhan

Dear Santa
My brother wants a football suit and I do to will you bring me one? You are a toy maker.

My sister wants a doll.

Your friend
Keith

Ward School
Santa Anna, Texas
December 6, 1962

Dear Santa Claus
I want a lome ranger suit

and some toy soldiers for Christmas. I have two sisters and three brothers. They all want something too. My brothr wants a shotgun. My sister wants a doll that talk. I loved your presents last year. I will have pretty Christmas tree. Don't forget to bring what I want.

With love
Raul Guerrero
Box 194

Dear Santa
Janice Keeney wants a bicycle. She wants a lifelike doll. She want a raido, too.

From,
Janice



A Blessed Christmas...

LET US REJOICE ANEW IN THE SHINING WONDER OF CHRISTMAS... MAY THE PEACE AND HOPE AND LOVE OF THIS HOLY SEASON BE WITH US ALWAYS.



210-212 Commercial

Coleman

MERRY CHRISTMAS



To Mother, Dad, and "young 'uns," too... Grandma, Grandpa, all of you... we send our warmest wishes, true... for Christmas joys to please the "crew".



Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh McCullough, Owners
203 Commercial Ave. Coleman



Sincere goodwishes

for the Holiday Season to all our good friends! We've enjoyed serving you, and want to thank you heartily. Wishing you all good health, good cheer and every happiness the Holiday can bring!

Coleman Gas Company



A PRAYER FOR Christmas

Let us, at Christmas, pray that the spirit of the Nativity may be with us always.

Let us, with faith reaffirmed and resolve renewed, pray that we may live as He would have us live, ever seeking to attain "Peace on earth, good will to all."

R. T. Caperton Chevrolet-Cadillac

114 East College Ave.

Coleman, Texas

Safety Association Urges Safe Toys For Christmas

The Texas Safety Association today advised Christmas shoppers to keep safety in mind when selecting toys for children.

J. O. Musick, General Manager of TSA, advised selecting toys that are sturdy and well-made. "Cheaply constructed" or breakable toys may come apart or be broken under strenuous child play," Musick said. "Broken or jagged edges from toys cause cuts and infection."

He advised testing the strength of a toy to see how much bending it will take and whether it will last past Christmas Day.

"Choose the toy which is suitable to the strength of the child. A toy which is too heavy for a youngster to handle easily cause an accident to that child," Musick explained.

He further advised shoppers to beware of toys manufactured with sharp edges or pointed ends, and to check all playthings to make sure there are no

parts which may become loose and find their way into the mouth.

"Babies and toddlers invariably follow the 'hand to mouth' rule for everything they touch. See that they do not play with small toys, marbles, coins, beads or other tiny objects," Musick said.

Other things such as stuffed animals with button eyes which may become loose, whistle with removable mouth pieces and pull-toys with small removable parts also are dangerous for small children.

The safety director reported that nearly 600 children under age five die each year in the U. S. as a result of suffocation from ingestion of small objects.

Last year in Texas, 16 children under age five died from ingestion of objects other than food.

He said shoppers should keep in mind the age, interest, and physical and mental abilities of a child in selecting toys.

"An archery set, dart game or chemistry set may become dangerous if a child does not know how to use them or is too young for such games," Musick said.

"It is sometimes necessary for

Carols Spring From Many Sources

From the first angelic chorus, "Glory to God in the Highest," the sound of voices raised in song and rejoicing for the birth of Christ swells across the ages. Today, carols from many lands and many epochs fill the air at holiday time.

parent to supervise the use of such toys, but children should not be overburdened with toys that require constant adult supervision."

He said electrical toys of any type are unsafe for the very young and that such toys for older children should be carefully selected.

"Inspect electrical toys for frayed cords or any defect which may cause shock. Teach your child how to handle electrical toys and warn him not to play with electrical equipment with wet hands or when wearing damp clothing," he added.

Musick reminded parents that even if a toy is safe, it may not stay that way.

"Inspection of toys and play equipment periodically is important. Check wooden toys for splinters, wagons for loose wheels and baby's rattle for cracks which may free the little stones inside. If satisfactory repairs can't be made, discard toy immediately."

He noted that toys can be hazards not only for children at play, but also for adults.

Serious falls may result from toys left on steps, stairways, walks or in the yard. Have a place for toys and teach children to put them away," he concluded.

Sources of some are lost in the past, but they can be traced to interesting origins.

"SILENT NIGHT"
A broken organ inspired "Silent Night." So that the people of the parish might have a song at Christmas, Father Joseph Mohr, an Austrian priest, wrote the carol, and his organist composed the music. It was sung on Christmas Eve, 1818, to guitar accompaniment.

"DECK THE HALLS"
Expressing the merriment of Christmas, "Deck the Hall with Boughs of Holly" is an English carol set to an old Welsh air. It refers to such ancient traditions as the "blazing Yule" log.

"FIRST NOWELL"
First published in English, "The First Nowell" is believed to be primarily a French carol. The French word "Noel" comes from the Latin word meaning birth; "Nowell" is an anglicized version. Both mean Christmas or a "shout of joy" for the birth of Christ. Tune is a medieval shepherd song.

"ADESTE FIDELIS"
"O Come, All Ye Faithful" or "Adeste Fidelis" may have been written by the 13th century writer and teacher, Saint Bonaventure, but its exact origin is a mystery. There's no secret about its popularity today. It has been translated into 120 languages, and there are more than 40 English versions.

"O TANNENBAUM"
Most familiar of many Christmas carols originating in Germany, "O Tannenbaum," or "O Christmas Tree," celebrates the evergreen as an emblem of immortality. It has added familiarity in the U. S., since the tune is used for several college songs and for the state song, "Maryland, My Maryland."

"MERRY, GENTLEMEN"
An old English carol that sometimes suffers from a com-

ma out of place is "God Rest, Ye Merry, Gentlemen." The meaning is not "God rest you, merry gentlemen," but "God keep you merry, gentlemen."

"HERALD ANGELS SING"
Charles Wesley, who during his lifetime (1707-1788) wrote hundreds of hymns, was inspired to write "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" as he walked to church on Christmas day and heard the London church bells chime.

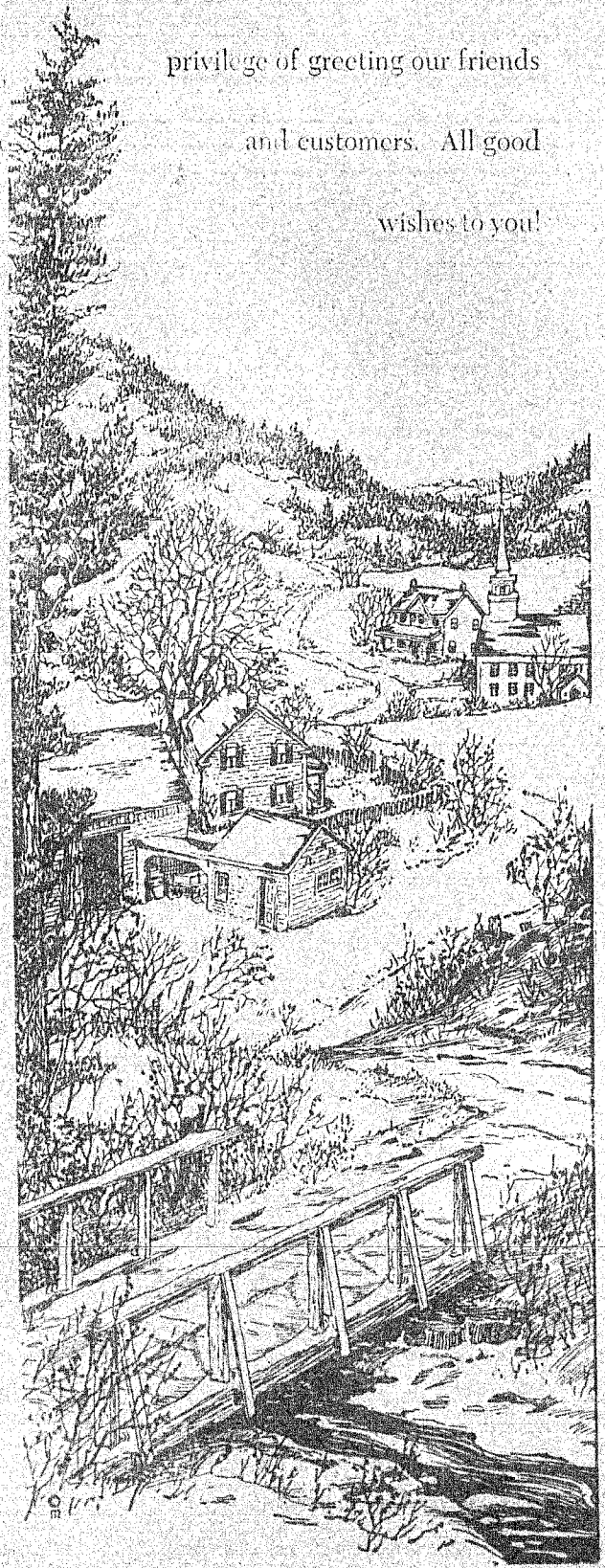


As families gather together in joyous celebration, we extend best Yuletide wishes.

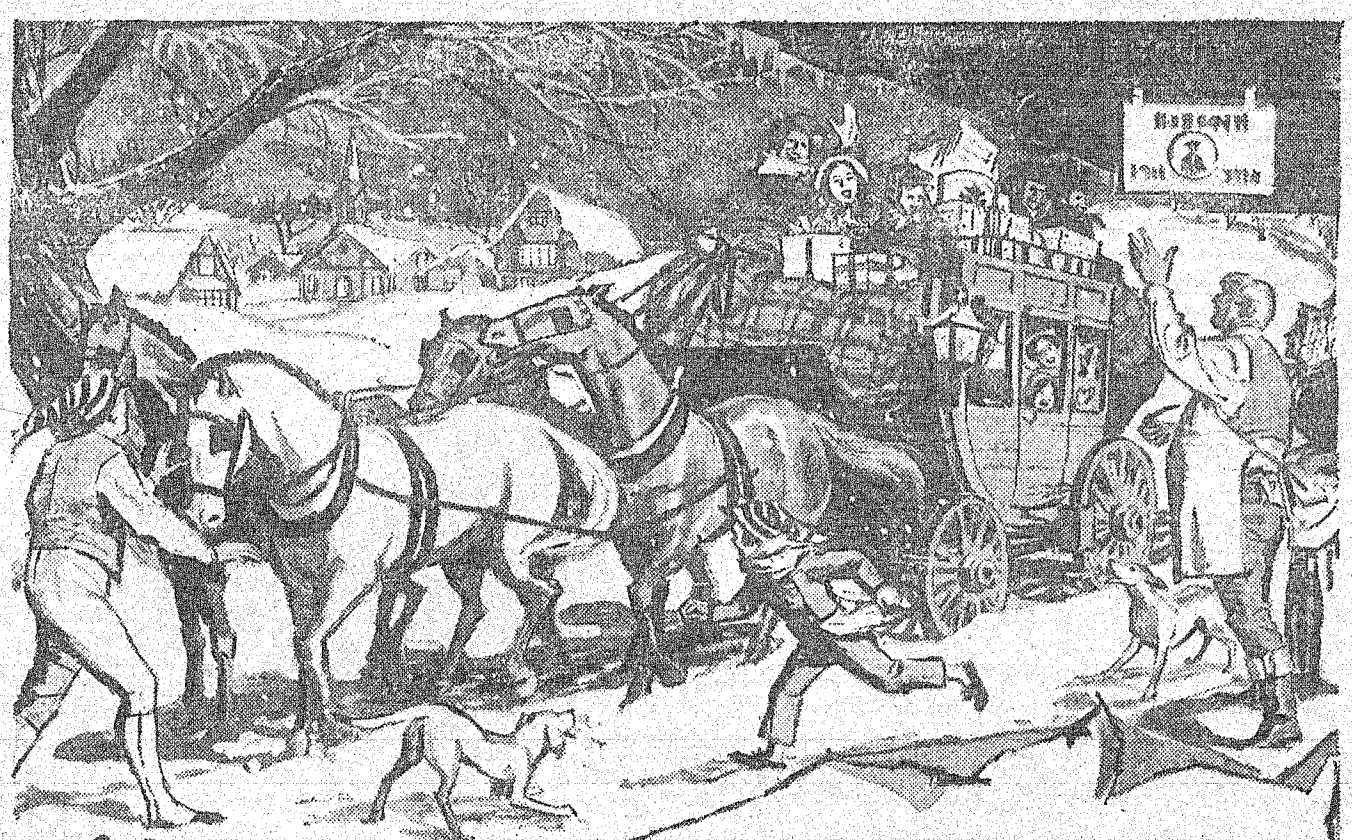
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