

Christmas Around The World

down a mountain with a torch in your hand... on the floor of the... knocking on neighbor's doors in a symbolic pilgrimage... these are some of the ways you might find yourself celebrating Christmas in other parts of the world.

dressed as Mary and Joseph goes from house to house. Only at the last house are they... and the parade of neighbors which is now following them--invited in for supper.

its unique bit of seasonal folklore or ritual. In Sweden, it's the feast of St. Lucia on December 13, ushering in the Christmas season. Each community chooses a lovely Lucia Queen to represent the young girl martyred for her religion centuries before in ancient Rome. In families with daughters, the prettiest plays the role of Lucia.

the Abbot of Unreason in Scotland, but in Italy he is a she. Italian kids place their trust in Befana, an old woman on a broomstick who brings gifts to good children and ashes to bad ones.

on Christmas Eve from a jar called 'the urn of fate.' And leave it to the systematic British to establish December 26 as Boxing Day. On this pugilistic-sounding occasion, servants and tradespeople are remembered with boxes of money!

During the Christmas season, Germans and Rumanians bake long, thin cakes that symbolize the Christ Child wrapped in swaddling clothes. In the Ukrainian part of Russia, cattle are given the first taste of the Christmas supper, because animals were the first to behold Christ.

'Deck the halls with boughs of holly' is a traditional refrain in English and American homes, but in Italy and Spain, householders decorate with flowers instead of evergreens at Christmas time.

select their Yule log. Pear, olive and applewood are considered best, and tradition says that the log must be large enough to last until New Year's Day.



OF NEED FOR SHOES...A group of 100 Primary students give a graphic demonstration of just how critical the need for adequate shoes is. There are currently 100 children in the first five grades, who are attending school in shoes which are beyond repair. You can help provide good serviceable shoes by mailing your check to 'SHOES', P.O. Box 72, Littlefield.

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Three Injured In Accident On Highway 84 By-Pass

An accident Saturday evening on U.S. Highway 84 by-pass about a mile east of town injured three persons and caused approximately \$2,300 damage to the vehicles involved.

The driver and Smith were both treated at Littlefield Hospital for cuts and bruises and were released Saturday night.

The driver of the other vehicle, a 1966 Chevrolet, Harry Synatsch, Anton, was injured in the crash.

Both vehicles were headed West on the Highway by-pass and the Carlton car struck the Synatsch vehicle in the rear.

Christmas Closing To Vary Here

Federal, state, county and city offices and local firms will observe holiday closing hours at various times and dates.

The Texas Employment Office will observe one of the longest as they closed for business last evening at 5 and will re-open Monday morning.

Poll Tax Must Be Paid To Vote In Primaries

The sale of poll tax receipts is off almost 50 percent throughout the county compared to last year, County tax assessor and collector Herbert Dunn stated Wednesday.

Traffic Accident Deaths Predicted

Past experience indicates some 110 persons will be killed in traffic accidents during the 10-day Christmas-New Year's holiday period, it was reported by Col. Homer Garrison, Director of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Gayle McCoy Is Bicycle Winner

Gayle McCoy, Star Route 2 won the grand prize of a bicycle built-for-two at the drawing held by the Optimist Club in conjunction with their Christmas tree sale.

Operation "Deathwatch"

DEC. 24 to JAN. 2 ESTIMATE - 110 MOTORCIDES

'For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord,' St. Luke 2:11



Christmas 1965 finds the world engulfed in bitter turmoil which ranges from hatred in the heart of an individual to full scale warfare. Since that day some 2,000 years ago when the Heavenly Host proclaimed 'Peace on earth and good will toward men,' mankind has strived for that ever elusive peace. It seems like today we are further away than ever from it.

Neumann Announces December 31 Resignation

Arnold Neumann, Western Division manager of Nipak, Incorporated, this week announced his resignation from the Lone Star Producing Company, parent company of Nipak, and revealed he would return to Sulphur Springs, Texas and enter the construction business.



Neumann, who with two partners started Caprock Fertilizer Company in December 1957, and built the business from its inception, sold to Lone Star Producing Company in February 1964. Neumann was retained as Western Division manager for the fertilizer company.

with the firm Neumann said there are other concerns in which he has an interest, which he will manage and develop.

While his resignation becomes effective December 31st, Neumann does not plan to leave the city until the latter part of January.

He said it is with deep regret that he leaves Littlefield, stating his association with the area and its people have meant much to him and his family, and though they were leaving the city in the near future, they would always have a fondness for Littlefield, and be interested in for certain advancement and growth.

There will be several races for national office and state and county elections with the primaries due in April and May for many of these,' stated Dunn, 'and at the present the poll tax must be paid to be eligible

Womans Place's Desk

the world will celebrate Christmas, a time when activity comes to a halt. Just slows to a less rapid pace. We hope you and your family have a wonderful day, with fellowship and good fellowship. A day that will be high with joy and peaceful toward your fellow man. We hope that after the year has been opened, and the cleaned you will take time to remember that first Christmas Day, 1965 years ago when the world received the gift ever given...the child who was born to each of us. Today, 1965 after this gift is still as new as it was in the beginning, we are concerned with the talk of uprising around the world and no one knows what will bring, yet amid these beams a star to light our way. We have no wise men to their camels and ride to pay homage to a child who do have shepherds to their flocks who will be away to visit a mother who do however, still have and more important He represents. We star that lit the heavens and lead our world to peace, but only if we willing to obey and receive the gift that was given. We hope you have a wonderful day and remember why we are able to enjoy the blessing of a great and free nation.

In the tax office of the County Court House, there is a sign stating 'Pay your taxes with a smile.' This we have found out, from several reports, does not work they still want the money, so why the sign. But just in case some one is able to get by with paying them with just a smile, we would like to know about it.



JEWELRY CHRISTMAS TREE -- Many Littlefield women really make use of their ingenuity during this season of the year by making beautiful and unusual decorations. Mrs. Huston Hoover, shown above, has made a very attractive Christmas tree by covering the base in

different colors of velvet and using complimentary colors of jewelry to form the designs. One side is black, one blue, one red and one white. She used gold braid on the corners and around the bottom of the tree.

--- NEWS STAFF PHOTO

Christmas Program Given By Primary Students At Spade

The first four grades of the Spade School presented the annual Christmas program in the school auditorium Tuesday night.

'Christmas Lessons' was presented by the first grades under the direction of Mrs. Joe Bailey. Children in the play were Fran Gray, Gary McDaniell, Janie Crowder, Donna Harrell, Randy McCoy, Kim Caldwell, Johnny Elizondo, Ricky Young, Vivian Thompson, Velda Blevins and Larry Ladd.

Students from the first and second grades presented 'Billy's Present', under the direction of Mrs. Bailey and Miss Hogan. They were Calvin Leach, Carol Prentice, Mark Cowan, Ricky Harrell, Randy Crowder, Ricky Sorenson, L.V. Green, Jimmy Salazar, Jaton Long, Sally Gonzales, Margaret Saenz, Mary Lou Delgado, Dianna Martinez, Holly Sue Walker, Teddy Whitfield, Roy Talamantez, Jesse Diaz, Oscar Badleros, David Tischler, Joe Hernandez, Amando Garcia, Bruno Garcia, Scott Ball, Glenn Ivins, Julian Saenz, Julian Guzman, Lupo Nunez, Tammy McKeown, Martha

Gonzales, Irma Gonzales, Ola Ladd, Irene Diaz and Terry Harp.

The third and fourth grades presented 'A Gift of Joy'. Students participating were Kathy Stubblefield, Sharon Wallace, Brenda Hopper, Susan Wheeler, Jimmy McCurry, Lynn Baker, Cindy Neinast, Chris Wallace, Linda Ivins, Randal Gray, Ronnie Nix, P.H. Whaley, Jan Glazener, Boyd Poteet, Gaylon Reed and Marvin Matthews.

Forming the singing Christmas tree were Cirilo Garza, Margaret Balderas, Luis Villarreal, Alberta Garcia, Mary Ann Guzman, Elizabeth Alonzo, Janie Garza, Delia Gonzales, Benny Saenz, Maunela Ramos, Gilbert Diaz, Jo Ann Whaley, Rickety Henley, Gayla Freeman, Lynnette Cowan, Rita Young, Kelly Tischler, Chris Moore, Dari Shaw Montgomery, Allen Ladd, Sherry McCoy, D'Wayne Blevins, Debbie Smith, Lindell Walker, Brian Poteet, Darell Blevins, Diane Sorenson, and Adam Estrada.

Mrs. C.K. Tate and Mrs. Robert Wheeler are third and fourth grade teachers.

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Dorcass SS Class Has Party

WHITHARRAL -- Mrs. H.G. Walden presided for a brief business meeting of the Dorcas Sunday School Class in Fellowship Hall Tuesday evening at the Whitharral Baptist Church.

Mrs. Elva Crank directed a contest and gave the devotional followed in prayer by Mrs. B. B. Hisaw. Mrs. John Waters was narrator for a pageant, 'I Surrender All' with the group singing a number of Christmas carols.

Secret pals were revealed and new ones drawn. A red net cloth covered the refreshment table with candles, poinsettias and greenery completing the decor.

A miniature crib and infant under a soft light carried out the theme of the Christmas party.

Mrs. D.H. Montgomery gave the invocation for the delicious repast which followed the program. Bags of fruit, nuts and candies were prepared for shut-ins of the community.

Guests present included Mrs. Montgomery, Mrs. Susie Bickley, Miss Myrtle Eller of Fort Worth, Mrs. Carrie Eller, Mrs. Joe Pelfrey and the following members: Mesdames Crank, John Waters, Hisaw, W.H. Kilgore, Vick Matthews, J.M. Horton, Will Raines, Ruby Moore, J.D. Waters, Henry Jones, W.R. McDaniel, Ross Sires, Fred Newsom, J.M. Nixon, Walden, T.E. Howard and Ellis Epts.

Christmas Eve Service Set

The community is invited to attend a Christmas Eve Candlelight observance at St. Martin Lutheran at 7:30 p.m. The Christmas Eve observance will include the singing of Christmas carols and reading of the Christmas Story.

Highlight of the observance will be the turning out of the lights and the lighting of the candles in the hands of the congregation to symbolize that with each Christian, Christ is the Light of the World. The fact that everyone has a light symbolizes the fact that each Christian goes out into the world spreading the Gospel. After all the candles are lighted congregation will sing, 'Silent Night.'

Pastor Engel will give a sermonette entitled, 'The Peace of Christmas.' Visitors are welcome.

Entertain At Karavan Klub

Members of the Karavan Klub enjoyed a Christmas party Saturday night in the Lamb County community center. Music was furnished by the Mariners of Lubbock.

Christmas decorations prevailed throughout the room. Sponsors were Mr. and Mrs. L.J. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Chambers, Mrs. O.C. McBride, and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Harp. About 80 youths attended.

BEAUTIFUL - EASY TO CLEAN SANDRAN VINYL FLOOR COVERING AT HILL ROGERS

Howells Host Holiday Social

The TEL Sunday School Class of Parkview Baptist Church entertained their husbands with a supper and Christmas social Friday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. P.H. Howell, 1101 West 7th Street.

A devotional was given by Ralph Tillery and a prayer by Mrs. Tillery.

Gifts were exchanged and the class presented the teacher, Mrs. Tillery, a hand-crocheted sweater.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Fry, Mr. and Mrs. Emzy Hobbs, Mr. and Mrs. A.Z. Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hardaway, Mr. and Mrs. Art Foley, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tillery, Ira Howell, Mrs. A.F. Wilson, Allie Bishop, Eunice Oliver, Mrs. C.M. Tidwell, Mrs. Dan Cotnam, Mrs. Leo Burton and the host couple.

Choir Presents Carol Service

The choir of Emmanuel Lutheran Church presented its annual Christmas carol service Sunday evening at 7:30 p.m. in the church. The choral concert was well received by an appreciative audience.

Mrs. John Vrubel was organist and the music committee was composed of Mrs. Gene Bartley and Rev. William Remmert. The soloist was Mrs. Calvin Synatschek.

Looking For Linoleum ? See HILL ROGERS

Mrs. Schelin's Pupils Present Piano Recital

The Lamb County Community Center was the setting Thursday afternoon for the piano recital presented by students of Mrs. Martha Schelin.

Jimmy Hammock played 'Winter Is Here' and 'Early

One Morning'; Rachel N. 'Autumn Song' and 'Firstment, Sonatina in C'; Shelly Grant, 'Elfin Princess'; 'Evening Bells'; Bridgeterson, 'Irish Dance'; 'Drummer'; Sheila Harp; 'nuet' and 'Chinese C

Jennifer Garner, 'Horseman' and 'Waltz Prince and Princess'; ta Carter, 'L'avalanche'; 'Bouree' and 'Ginger'; 'Grandmother Tells A Story' and 'Saffegietto'.

Following the recital, mas carols were sung. Presents of punch, cookies and cupcakes were with musical signs were Gifts to the music from Mrs. Schelin were composer pieces.

CITY BITS

Norman Renfro is recuperating at home following a light heart attack. He was released from Medical Arts Hospital last Thursday.

Connie Keeling is home from Tulane University visiting her parents and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Keeling, Nancy and Jean.

Shelley Duval arrived Saturday night for a holiday visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Duval. He is a junior at Texas University.

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MR. AND MRS. ROY B. THURMAN

Couple Honored On Golden Anniversary

Children of Mr. and Mrs. Thurman, 713 Ltd. Drive, hosts for an open house afternoon in the parlor of the First Baptist Church in Littlefield to celebrate the golden anniversary.

Thurman's children and families are Mr. and Mrs. Gray, Phillips; Mr. and Mrs. Abdalla, Albuquerque; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dumas, Mr. and Mrs. Brock, Pasco, Wash. More than 100 guests called after noon and were received by a son-in-law of the couple, John Abdalla, serving table featured an arrangement of gold and bronze ornaments, a five-tiered cake decorated in gold and silver coffee and tea set and crystal lunch service. Granddaughters, Miss Rothman and Ann Biggs and Miss Edith Stephens were married December 12, 1915 at Spur. They moved to the Whitharral community in 1926 where they farmed until 1957 when they retired and moved to Littlefield.

Grandchildren attending were Mrs. Sonny Biggs, Albuquerque, N.M., Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Rex Gray, Houston; Jackie Gray and his fiancée, Anita Opyke, Seattle, Wash.; Roxana and Smokey Thurman, Dumas, Great-grandchildren were Tammy and Jackie Wayne Gray, Houston, and Michel Shane Biggs, Albuquerque.

Museum To Observe Holiday Hours

Special holiday hours will be observed by West Texas Museum during the Christmas season. The Museum will be open from 2-5 p.m. daily December 23-January 2, with the exception of Christmas Day and New Year's Day, when the building will be closed.

Holiday visitors may see 'Handicrafts of the South Pacific,' an exhibit from the Museum's permanent collection, in the Rotunda Gallery. Permanent displays throughout the Museum include a South Plains Gallery, depicting life in West Texas.

The Museum is located on the circle inside the Broadway entrance to the Texas Tech campus.

Admission is free to the public.

Regular visiting hours (9 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays, 2-5 p.m. Sundays) will be resumed January 3.

Honor Roll Announced

High School Honor Roll: Joe B. Minter and the honor roll for the 12 weeks in the Whittharral School.

High School 'A' Honor Roll: Johnny Tipton, Mike Junior, Sandra Gage, John Lott, John Villanueva; Mrs. Betty Herring, Sadler, Judy Wade; freshman: Ann Denney, Claudia Sharon Wade.

Senior roll: seniors, A.W. Pera Chavez, Paula Reynolds Timmins; sophomores: Leroy Bradley, Charlotwell, Margaret Fagan, Dawson, Ramon Vasquez; juniors: Karon Johnson, Lilian, Kathy White, Shari Thornton.

High 'A' Honor Roll: Kathy Pelfrey; 7th grade: Christy Clevenger, Cynthia, Marla Sadler.

8th grade: Kathy Lynn Wil-

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Hammons General Home

LWML Family Supper Held At Church Friday

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League of Emmanuel Lutheran Church were hostesses Friday night for a sandwich supper for the members and their families.

Following the meal a background story of the song 'From Heaven Above to Earth I Come' by Martin Luther, was told by Mrs. Gene Bartley, Mrs. James Siems, Mrs. Curtis Wilkinson, Mrs. W.W. Birkelbach and Mrs. William Remmert.

Christmas carols were sung, the children broke the pinata, Mrs. Curtis Wilkinson and Mrs. Clarence Hobratchk pantomimed the story of 'The Three Bears'.

Secret pals exchanged gifts.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Gene Bartley and family, Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Birkelbach and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Drager, Mr. and Mrs. H.E. Gohlke, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hobratchk and girls, Mr. and Mrs. V.J. Hobratchk and family, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Kraushar, Mrs. Emma Neuschwander, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Reinsch, Rev. and Mrs. William Remmert, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sell, Mrs. Roger Sell and sons, Mr. and Mrs. James Siems and sons, Mrs. Walter Siems and Bobby Mach, Mr. and Mrs. John Stockinger, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Wilkinson.

Church News

LITTLEFIELD ST. MARTIN:
St. Martin Lutheran Church in Littlefield boasts of a new addition to their Narthax. This new addition is in the form of a water color picture of the Christmas scene, which was painted by James Black, a sixth grade student in Sudan Public Schools, and a member of St. Martin.

4-H Club Has Christmas Party

WHITHARRAL--The Panther 4-H Club held its Christmas party at the Lions Club after school Wednesday afternoon. Crackers and cheese spread, hot chocolate, potato chips, candy canes and cookies were served to Claudia, Sharron and Kathy Wade, Sharon and Shari Throckmorton, Rex and Reta Avery, Kathy Lynn Williams, Gordon, Randy, Russell and Greg Wade, Monty and Terry Rodgers, Johnnie Hal and Lynn Miller, James, Gary and Karen Hayes, Velma Lee, Loyd, Linda and Gary Strickland, Darlene Burns, Cynthia Dukatnik, Marla Sadler, Joli Grant, Terri Howard, Vicki Hall, Christy Clevenger, Ann Denney, Tommy Lewis, Mrs. Don Reding and sponsors Mrs. George Wade, Jr. and Mrs. John W. Hall.

Christmas carols were sung and gifts were exchanged. Gifts were presented Mr. and Mrs. Wade, O.L. Harris, Mrs. Hall and agents Royce Stanford and Miss Norma Cates.

The water color, 28" by 22", features the wise men giving gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh to the baby Jesus. The hands of the wise men are especially interesting, as it must be noted that they are one of the most difficult features to paint.

According to Pastor Brian V. Engel, 'James shows fine perception and skill in water color painting for a boy his age; we are quite proud of his contribution to our celebration of the birth of Christ.'

LITTLEFIELD ST. MARTIN LUTHERAN:
The Sunday School Christmas Program last Sunday night was a success. The theme was, 'A Promise Fulfilled' and featured the Christmas story, acted by members of the Sunday School and Christmas hymn singing. After the program the children received gifts from their teachers and bags of candy and fruit from the Sunday School.

Tonight all the young adults, married or single and the Luther League will go caroling to various homes in the Littlefield area. Those wishing to go are asked to meet at the church at 7:15 p.m. A second group will join the first group, by meeting at the church at 8:00.

Tomorrow night, Christmas Eve the Christmas Eve Candlelight Vespers Service will be at 7:30 p.m.

The Sermon topic for the Christmas Day service will be, 'The Peace of Christmas.' Time of the service will be 9:00 a.m.

YULE BURNS BRIGHT

The French traditionally exchange gifts on New Year's Day, but the burning of the Yule log at Christmas is an honored custom in many parts of the country. After carols are sung, wine is poured on the log by the youngest child.

ANIMATED CARDS

Ingenious mechanical devices were used to animate early Christmas greeting cards, much as they are today. The symbols of Christmas -- the robin, Santa Claus, holly, mistletoe and carolers -- first became popular on cards of the Victorian era.

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Closing Notice

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Calendar of Events

7:15 p.m. **THURSDAY**
St. Martin Lutheran caroling

7:00 p.m. **FRIDAY**
Christmas Eve Children's Service at Emmanuel Lutheran

7:30 p.m. **FRIDAY**
Candlelight Vesper Service at St. Martin Lutheran

9:00 a.m. **SATURDAY**
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Church Officers Elected Sunday

The Voter's Assembly of the Emmanuel Lutheran Church met Sunday afternoon at the church.

Officers elected for the ensuing year were V.J. Hobratchk, president; Gene Bartley, vice president; Ernest Lorenz, elder; Clarence Hobratchk, treasurer; Ray Bernstein, secretary; Edwin Bell, trustee; Roger Sell and W.W. Birkelbach, stewardship board; Harry Synatsch, Sunday School Sunday School secretary; Alex Kraushar, E.C. Hill and Eldon Gohlke, board of missions and welfare; Eldon Gohlke, head usher; Ralph Hobratchk, district church extension stamp representative.

The budget for the year for home purposes and world missions was adopted.

Tell any woman that she's too clever for words and immediately she will prove wrong.

The Soviet fishermen in the North Atlantic concentrate on hauls of herring, and red and silver hake.

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.

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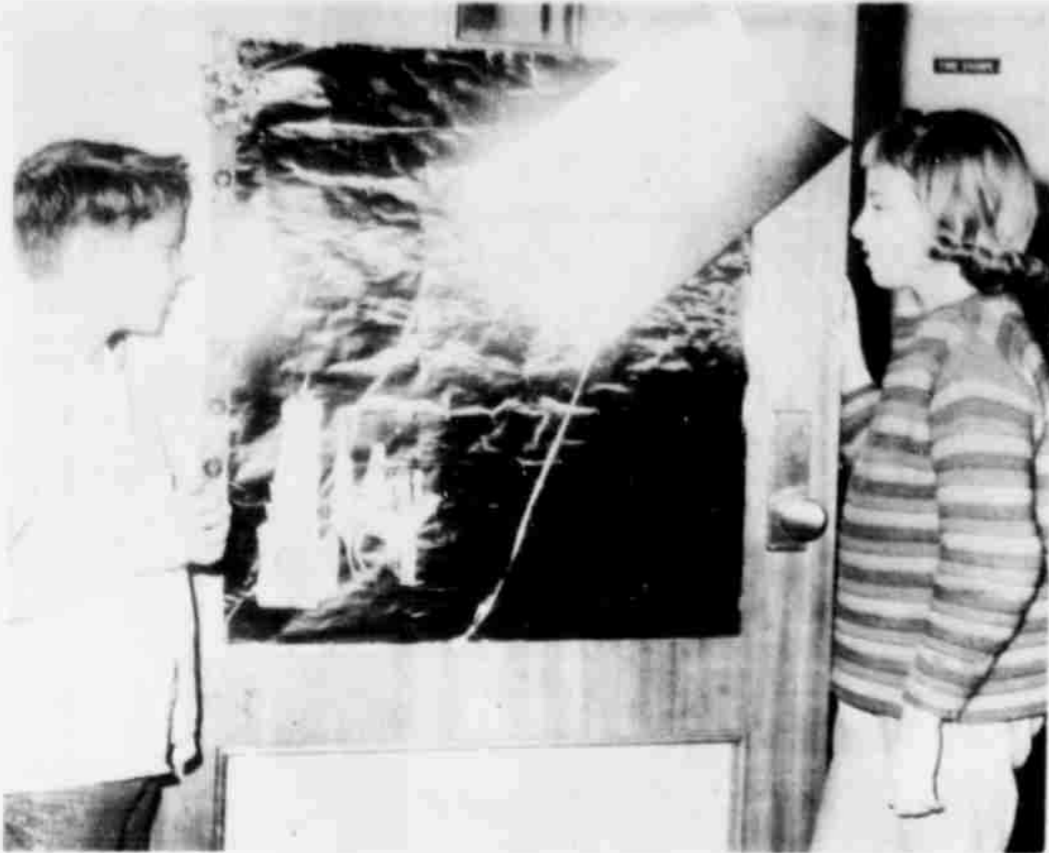
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DECORATED DOOR -- Catching the spirit of the Christmas season, most of the classrooms have decorated their room, trimmed trees and doorways. Looking at the doorway of Mrs.

Pinie Sims fifth grade room at Elementary II are Teddy Offield and Cheryl Ann Carter, students in that room. The scene depicts the Wise Men.

--- NEWS STAFF PHOTO

WHITHARRAL NEWS by MRS. EVA T. CRANK

Lions Have Annual Holiday

WHITHARRAL - A Christmas decor prevailed at the local Lions Club Thursday evening when the Whitharral Lions staged their annual Christmas party with the Lionesses present. Mrs. J.D. Bradley and Mrs. J.D. Waters served a dinner prior to the exchange of gifts and the singing of Christmas carols.

Present were two guests, Mr. and Mrs. Don Avery - Avery is president of the Littlefield Lions Club - and Lowell Herring and Messrs. and Mesdames Robert Avery, J.W. Borders Jr., Joe Minter, George Wade, Jr., Coy Grant, A.L. Polk, Rafe Rodgers, Don Reding, F.E. Sadler, Archie Simms, Bobby Grant, E.E. Pair, Ralph Wade, Clifford Throckmorton, Louis McCormack, H.G. Walden, and Pervadius Wade.

Mrs. Susie Bikley spent the weekend in Portales, N.M.

Mr. and Mrs. L.L. Overman are in Winters at the bedside of Overman's father who remains quite ill.

Mr. and Mrs. O.L. Martin visited their children, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Beard and children in Midland Wednesday and Thursday.

Glenn Edwards of Camp Travis, Calif. is here on a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Edwards and family. The group visited Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Kuhler and is a freshman at South Plains College majoring in business administration.

The St. Paul's Study Club of St. Philip's Parish, met and organized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Albus, last Friday night.

Attending were Rev. Stanley, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Green, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Albus, Mr. and Mrs. John Shannon, Mr. and Mrs. James Glumpler, Mrs. Evelyn Albus and the hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Albus.

Following the meeting, refreshments of cookies, coffee, tea, and punch were served. Mrs. Leonard Albus and daughter Grata visited her father, Ferdinand Fetsch, recently who is a patient in the Knox City Hospital.

The members of the Pep PTA sponsored a pancake supper last Saturday evening in the school cafeteria. The money raised will be used to purchase a loud speaker for the school.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Hogue and daughter, Lubbock, spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L.V. Hogue and family.

The Pep homecoming committees will meet in the school Wednesday evening Dec. 29, after Mass and report on their progress in preparation for homecoming to be held January 29.

The Pep Council Knights of Columbus held A Family Night

and Mrs. Edgar Edwards and children at Odessa Sunday. Weekend guests of Mrs. Martin Moore were Mr. and Mrs. Noble Moore of Odessa, and her grandchildren, Cindy, Boyd and Brian of Fieldton.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Raines spent the weekend in Lubbock with Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Tuttle and Kimberley Kay and other relatives.

Mrs. Lowell Herring has been a patient in the Littlefield Hospital since Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Miller, Johnnie Hal and Lynn visited Mr. and Mrs. Terry Davis at Plains Sunday afternoon, Mrs. Davis is the former Wadonna Strogher, a granddaughter of the J. Millers.

Clarence Chance arrived Sunday from Little Rock, Ark. to join his wife and daughter, Sheila who have spent the past month with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joel Burns and family. The Chances leave Dec. 27 for LaJunta, Colo. where he has been transferred. He is in the Air Force.

Rev. and Mrs. Ellis Epts, Cheryl, Deborah, Beth and Danny will leave Thursday for a holiday visit with Ept's parents in St. Louis, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Minter, David, Johnny and Kay will spend the Christmas holidays with relatives at Duncanville.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Strickland and Faye and Marsha will visit Strickland's parents at Weatherford this weekend.

Their son, Jimmy who is stationed in Omaha, Neb. will join them there for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Barry Heard and Barry Don of Denton will arrive Friday for the Christmas weekend with Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Heard and other area relatives.

Mrs. C.E. Harlow, Tom and Dan, who are at her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Drinkard home, south of town while Mrs. Harlow attends Texas Tech.

Harlow has gone to their home at Vanhorn for the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. King's Texas Tech Red Raiders led the Southwest Conference in passing offense this season after pacing the league in rushing last year.

A film, 'Noble Heritage', furnished by the Knights of Columbus, was shown by Richard O'Neal, K.C. insurance representative from Amarillo. This was followed by a question and answer session, James Glumpler, the Pep Council Grand Knight, presided.

Refreshments of sandwiches, cake and coffee were served. John McDaniel was dismissed from the Littlefield Hospital recently and is convalescing with relatives at Post.

Mr. and Mrs. Otta Dierschke, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Dierschke and son, all from Wall, visited in the V.H. Diersing home Tuesday.

Machine Treats Cotton State

Application of systemic insecticides to cotton has been made easier, quicker and less expensive with the development of a new machine by agricultural researchers, according to John C. White, Commissioner of the Texas Department of Agriculture.

White said the new machine applies insecticide to the stalks of the cotton plants. The insecticides are then absorbed by the plant and move throughout its system.

The systemic insecticide is not applied to the soil in any way, White said. Cotton plants are fed into the machine on a continuous revolving row. As the plants move along the row, brushes apply a small amount of thickened chemical to the lower portion of the stem. Once the insecticide has been absorbed by the plant it is toxic to insects feeding on it.

The unit may also prove adaptable for application of systemic fungicides, plant hormones, or defoliants, White said.

Several chemicals may be used with the machine, but further study will be necessary to develop an insecticide with the necessary toxic capacity that also meets safety requirements, White said.

The applicator is capable of treating two rows of cotton at a time, and entire fields may be treated in comparatively short

time. Several advantages may be hieved by stem treatment, said. Systemic treatment negates the possibility of pest drift; reduces harm to beneficial insects, and it allows treatment at times when other hods might be impractical.

'I believe further research and development of this machine will make it a valuable asset to the cotton farmer,' White

VA Warns Of Unauthorized Solicitations

This is a season of good but it's also a time to be wary of unauthorized or even fraudulent solicitations, the Veterans Administration warned today.

Jack Coker, Manager of VA Regional Office in Waco, the VA neither authorizes use of its name or engages in any kind of solicitations the holidays or any other time of the year.

'As for services to veterans added, all of these are provided without any cost to the veteran.'

Suspicious activities of kind should be reported. Better Business Bureau, said.

PEP NEWS by MRS. V.H. DIERSING

Miss Kuhler Is Chosen Homecoming Queen Candidate

Janie Kuhler has been selected as a candidate for the homecoming queen, by the Newman

Club at South Plains College. Levelland. The Homecoming ceremonies will be held in February at the College.

Miss Kuhler is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Kuhler



BOYS RANCH DISPLAY -- One of the most beautiful sights of Christmas is the scenes the boys at Cal Farley's Boys Ranch have constructed for the annual Christmas Lighting Contest. The youngsters at Willis home chose the shepherd and his flock for their theme.

building their display from scrap materials and discarded odds and ends from around the Ranch. The public is invited to view the displays during the holidays between the hours of 6:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. through December 27th.

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CURE '81' HAMS POUND **\$1.49**
MAPLE LEAF, USDA GRADE A
DUCKS POUND **53¢**
CAMPFIRE
SLICED BACON POUND **79¢**
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COTTAGE CHEESE 2-LB. CARTON **49¢**

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BUTTERMILK 1/2 GALLON **39¢**

DEL MONTE FANCY WHOLE
GREEN BEANS NO. 303 CAN **29¢**

SUMMITT 11 OZ. CAN
MANDARIN ORANGES **23¢**

DOUMAK MINIATURES 10 1/2 OZ. PKG.
MARSHMALLOWS **19¢**

STOKELY, ALL-GREEN
ASPARAGUS 3 303 CANS **\$1**

OCEAN SPRAY
CRANBERRY JUICE QUART BOTTLE **59¢**

HAWAIIAN RED
PUNCH 3 46 OZ. CANS **\$1**

25 FT. ROLL
ALUMINUM FOIL **29¢**

CRACKER, LAYER
MIX 20 OZ. BOX **39¢**

SMALLOW CREME
IP-O-LITE PINT JAR **19¢**

REBELLE, SWEET
BUTTER 1-LB. CARTON **69¢**

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PICED PEACHES NO. 2 1/2 CAN **25¢**

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● Lost & Found A-4

LOST: lady's purse in vicinity of Community Center, contains glasses, Reward, Phone 385-3249 or 385-4481, 12-26G

LOST: 1 lady's wrist watch, Elgin 17 jewel, white gold, Lost Thursday in 500 block of Phelps, Reward, Return to Fields Men's Store, 12-23F

● Personal Services A-8

Would like to babysit in my home, Day or night, Reasonable rates, Mrs. Willis, 385-5994, 12-23W

● Apts. for Rent B-1

Three room and bath furnished apartment, Call J.C. Smith, Sr., 385-4643, 1005 W. 10th, TF-S

Nicely furnished apartment for rent, Panel ray heating system, Adults preferred, Phone 385-4460, TF-J

FOR RENT: furnished downtown apartment, fully carpeted, vented heat, newly decorated, extra nice, reasonable rent, Call 385-5147 or 385-4860, TF-A

● Rooms for Rent B-5

Comfortable bedrooms for men, New home, heated rooms, Phone 385-3604, 204 E. 9th St, TF-A

● Wanted To Rent B-8

WANTED TO RENT your farm, 1 will water it with sprinkler irrigation, I have over 2 miles of sprinkler irrigation equipment, Write Box 504, Sudan or call 227-4971, 12-30W

● Houses For Sale C-1

HOUSE FOR SALE - owner leaving town - 3 bedroom brick, kitchen and den, 306 E. 18th, Good location, TF-L

2 bedroom house for sale to be moved off farm, 8 miles south on 385 Highway and 1 3/4 miles east on 597 Highway, Phone 299-4573, Whitharral, TF-W

● Price For Quick Sale

3 bedroom, 2 bath brick house on 23rd Street, Intercom and carpeted throughout, Call 385-5921 after 5:00 p.m.

FOR SALE OR TRADE: 4 bedroom brick home, Crescent Park, Will sell my equity or trade for smaller home, 385-3898 or 385-3550, TF-E

FOR SALE BY OWNER - 2 bedroom house, carpeted, plumbed for washer and wired for dryer, 504 E. 16th St. Phone 385-5268, TF-B

FOR SALE BY OWNER -- Selling home at 1200 West 9th Street, FHA approved; 4 large rooms; low payments, Must sell soon; Inquire at 910 West 10th Street, Phone 385-5918, TF-W

FOR SALE OR RENT: 2 bedroom, floor furnace, wired and plumbed for evaporative cooling, close in, Phone 385-3064 or see J.D. Thomas at Jones Motor Co, TF-T

FOR SALE IN CRESCENT PARK: 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, den and kitchen combination, fireplace, double car garage and fenced back yard, Phone 385-4084, TF-E

New and used houses for sale, Small down payment, Some no down payment, Also, apartment houses for rent, Call John or Bill, Hutchins Building Supply, 100 Sunset, Phone 385-5588, Home, 385-4287, TF-H

Pink and white frame and asbestos siding, Three bedroom, completely redecorated inside in white with new beige carpet throughout, \$150 down - \$62 monthly, \$8,200 Total, Jim Mills, Realtor, 385-5989, TF-M

LOW DOWN PAYMENT - MUST SELL IMMEDIATELY - nice 2 bedroom home at 207 Armand, Sudan, Texas, Carpet, fenced, separate living room, kitchen and den combined and attached garage, Call SW9-0120, Lubbock, or CA3-4523, Plainview, TF-M

FOR RENT: 2 and 3 bedroom houses, plumbed for washers, garages and fenced yards, One 3 room, private bath, furnished, Bills paid, Call K. Houk, 385-3492 or 385-4830, TF-H

FOR RENT OR SALE: 3 bedroom, washer and dryer connections, new carpets, corner lot, Will sell equity for \$150,000, Located at 1210 W. 3rd, Phone 262-4552, Fieldton, 12-26M

● Real Estate For Sale C-6

FOR SALE - 2 bedroom house, A bargain, L. Peyton Reese, TF-R

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● Farms, Ranch-land C-7

Dry land farm for sale, 7 miles S.W. of Sudan, 64.8 acres cotton allotment, 496 lbs. proven yield, Phone 933-2541, Bula, Wayne Swart, 12-23S

BY OWNER: 177 acres, 3 miles west of Littlefield, Also, 58 1/2 acres irrigated, 1 miles west of Hurlwood, L.H. Cupp, 2301 21st Street, Lubbock, Phone SH4-1887, 1-13C

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Food Fads Waste Money And Threaten Health

Food fads waste your money and they can undermine your health too. The best protection against diet fads which can flatten your purse and threaten your health lies in eating a well-balanced diet of ordinary foods each day, the Nutrition Foundation reports. The Foundation was established in 1941 as a non-profit organization to support scientific research and public education in nutrition. The Foundation's supporting members are companies in the food and allied industries. Every ten million Americans spend 500 million dollars following fad diets. The Food and Drug Administration estimates, The news about a fat diet spreads rapidly by word of mouth or through magazines and newspaper articles. The urge to try it seems irresistible to people who learn of a new fad.

The so-called 'Air Force' or 'Drinking Man's' diet -- which cuts the carbohydrates you eat to a minimum -- seems to be the latest fad. Those who follow it shun high carbohydrate foods such as bread, potatoes and spaghetti -- the energy-giving foods that make up one of the major components of a good diet. They eat high protein foods such as meat and consume fat foods like olives and avocados. Proteins and fats are good foods but they do not, alone, constitute a balanced diet without carbohydrate. A 'low carbohydrate' diet may mean that a person eats less, but it can place a severe load on the body's waste-disposing mechanisms, particularly the liver and the kidneys. The low-carbohydrate diet may cause a temporary weight loss, but it is a diet you cannot stick to over a long period of time with satisfaction, or even without hazard to your health, the Foundation warns. So weight loss is temporary at best.

Food fads come and food fads go. We hear of a new one almost as soon as the last one goes out of favor. Usually the food fad requires special health foods which are supposed to be better than the foods sold in your local grocery stores or supermarkets. The so-called natural foods cost more, but they do not furnish any better nutrition than ordinary foods, regardless of the claims. Promises of living longer, of youth, charm and wisdom by eating special foods do not stand up under examination. People often fall for the claims of magic potions, no matter how absurd.

Food faddists claim, further, that ordinary foods from the supermarket are no good because American farm soil is 'depleted'. That the food grown on it is inferior, and that commercial processing further destroys nutritive values. Both notions are wrong. The Foundation emphasizes. Modern agricultural methods and modern

Food processing together with a food supply giving plenty and fine nutrition. We have plenty of food thanks to fertilizers and treatments. The false notions spread by the fad dist are usually intended to sell something. Many products will not hurt you, they lack the magical to do what the salesmen tend they can do. You have sold bottled sea water as much as \$3.50 a gallon those who were taken in claims. The FDA stops rackets, but other rackets popping up to rob those not cautious.

A well-balanced diet of a variety of foods from the four main food carbohydrates and other elements of foods from bread and protein from meat, fish, vitamins and mineral fruits and vegetables; all-round nutrients from these four groups even you consume a balance. Don't let the food fad your. Do not let them off-balance!

General Economic Outlook For 1966 Good

The economist says government demands for goods and services are expected to provide some increase in the year ahead. Total government purchases have been rising around \$1.5 billion per quarter since the end of 1962. Most of this has come from increased spending by local and state governments. Federal spending has been relatively stable during this period but has increased in recent months as a result of larger defense outlays.

The upward advance of local and state government purchases is expected to continue in 1966 as is federal spending for defense requirements, says McHaney.

In addition, new federal programs affecting housing, education, recreation, health and regional development programs will contribute to greater economic activity in 1966.

Further advance in employment and output will be accompanied by a rise in consumer disposable income. It all adds up, McHaney concludes, to another year of vigorous and generally well balanced economic growth for Texas and the nation.

Taking all factors into consideration, the year ahead should be one of vigorous and generally well balanced economic

growth. That's the word from John G. McHaney, Extension economist at Texas A&M University.

The economist has just returned from the National Outlook Conference held in Washington, D.C. with facts and figures to back up his forecast.

There will be increases in total employment and consumer incomes, he says. The gross national product is expected to continue upward at a rate in line with the increase of the past year. Increased private investment in new plants and equipment; larger government purchase of goods and services; and further expansion of consumer expenditures are expected to make their contributions to the advance.

McHaney sees no great changes in residential construction nor in the net exports of goods and services.

Estimates now indicate that industry will spend \$55 billion for plant equipment in 1966. This is \$4 billion higher than estimated capital spending in 1965 and more than \$10 billion over

WILLIAMS JOINS AIRBORNE

Freddie J. Williams, Lt. Colonel, USAF, is assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, N.C. Williams is a combat engineer and was last stationed at Fort Benning, Ga. The 18-year-old soldier attended Littlefield High School.

FIELDTON NEWS

First Baptist Church Holds Holiday Party

Christmas party for the Intermediate class of the First Baptist Church was held Sunday afternoon at the home of Mrs. [Name]. For entertainment the Christmas tree was decorated by the First Baptist Church and the Spanish Mission. Attending were Debbie [Name], Velva Lee, Chip Joyner, Doug Watts.

Mrs. Marvitt of [Name] spent Sunday with their Mr. and Mrs. Dee and children.

Mrs. Lewis West visited one night with their aunt and Mr. and Mrs. Claude [Name].

Mrs. Wainscott of [Name] spent Thursday night with Mrs. Claude [Name].

Mrs. Johnny Muller and Wayne Jester left for their home in [Name].

Mrs. Robert Shaw and children left Thursday for [Name].

Don Joyner left Monday for Cache, Okla. to be with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. [Name].

Mr. Sexton [Name] is ill for some time.

Men's Christmas party was held Monday afternoon at the First Baptist Church. The program was presented by Mrs. Paul Hukill, Mrs. Jo Joplin and Mrs. [Name]. Refreshments were served to about 18 women.

Mrs. and Mrs. Glenn Blackmon attended the teachers meeting at [Name] Saturday. They had with them friends, Mr. and Mrs. [Name].

Mrs. Glenn Blackmon and her mother, Mrs. [Name] at Shallowater Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Elton Blackmon and County Line visited [Name].



Pvt. SIDNEY E. ROBERTS
Pvt. Roberts Gets Assignment

Pvt. Sidney E. Roberts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Roberts, left Thursday after spending a few days here visiting his parents. He has been assigned to the Headquarters Company at Fort McPherson, Ga.

A Littlefield graduate, Pvt. Roberts completed eight weeks of basic training at Fort Polk, La., December 4.

HOSPITAL NEWS

December 15
ADMITTED: Mrs. Maria Cristin, Mrs. Linda Weige, Marion Phillips, Fred Koontz, Perry Lee White, Mrs. Margaret Graves, Mrs. Betty Davison, Mrs. Delores Gover.

DISMISSED: Renae Altman, Ronald Cleavenger, Holly Fitts.

December 16
ADMITTED: Paul Jezisek, Benito Galindo, Anita June Wright, Mrs. Hoper Calindo, Mrs. Delores Gover, Mrs. Joyce Yohner, Kristi Homer, Mrs. Jeribeth Bishop, Willie Merl David, Ed Hart.

DISMISSED: Mary Ruiz, Gladys Espinoza, Mrs. Veta Flanary and infant, Charles Feagley, Mrs. Sandra Marsh and infant, Mrs. Margret Lance and infant, Mrs. Linda Cox and infant, Richard Feagley, Wilbur Hitch, Mrs. Elizabeth Nelson, Sulema Mendoza.

December 17
ADMITTED: Mrs. Minnie Lara, Doma Bryant, Sherry Holley, Judy Robnett, Mrs. Amidee Monroe, Mrs. Doris Harris, Mrs. Lula Dickenson.

DISMISSED: John W. Harris, Nick Yanez Jr., Mrs. Marie Cristan, John Aguilar, Jr., Lola Lopez, Dennis Turney, Mrs. Delores Gover, Dale Stanley, Mrs. Maude Vincent, Mrs. Gladys Goodwin.

BIRTHS
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bishop, Littlefield, a girl, Tammy Dawn, weighing 5 pounds, 12 ounces, December 16, 1965 at 4:34 p.m.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Davis Don Sanders, Earth, a boy, Kerry Blake, weighing 6 pounds, 7 ounces, December 17, 1965 at 12:02 p.m.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. L.F. Flanary, Anton, a girl, Karissa Leann, weighing 7 pounds, 10 ounces, December 14, 1965 at 11:10 a.m.

WHAT FOODS ARE FATTENING???

Someone were to ask the doctor in the kitchen what foods are fattening, he would have to give a very peculiar answer. It might seem peculiar, but it is true.

What it comes down to is that the diet as a whole is what is fattening, or slimming, or maintaining, according to the amount of food taken in the total diet and the amount of energy you expend.

Neither extreme is to be recommended. Each good food has its contribution to make. It is folly to omit basic foods like meat, eggs, fish, cheese, butter, milk, cream, poultry, whole grains or enriched cereals, vegetables and fruits from your diet, or cut them too low for good nutrition.

Find A Combination

The idea is to find a combination that will maintain your weight, and still keep all the four food groups that were described here last week in proper balance. Then, neither your foods nor your diet will be fattening, and you can enjoy good eating, plus the benefits of a nice figure, clothes that fit in sizes easy to buy, feet that carry your normal weight without complaining, and a general feeling of being right with your nutrition and your health, and the world in general.

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SPADE NEWS

SS Class Has Party

The Young Adult Sunday School Class of the Baptist Church had their Christmas party last Friday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Haire. The group was led in miscellaneous games by Mrs. Henry Cowan.

Refreshments of red fruit punch, Christmas cookies and candy were served from the table which was covered with a Christmas tablecloth. Matching Christmas napkins were used.

Doc Vann, teacher of the class, told the Christmas story before a centerpiece of an open Bible atop holiday greenery. Rev. C. K. Tate led in prayer. Gifts were exchanged.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Haire, Mr. and Mrs. Don Tindal, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cowan, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Prentice, Mr. and Mrs. James Ball, Mr. and Mrs. Arwin Turner, Rev. and Mrs. C. K. Tate, and Mr. and Mrs. Doc Vann.

Mrs. N.N. Frey and son Mike left Saturday to spend two weeks visiting relatives in California. They plan to visit in the home of her daughter and family, Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Nomicas and children of Torrence, Calif. and also in the homes of Mrs. Frey's brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stratton and family and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Stratton and family of San Bernardino, Calif.

Classes will be dismissed and buses will run at 2 p.m. Wednesday Dec. 22 at the local school. A special Christmas program will be Tuesday night, Dec. 21 at 7:30 p.m. in the school auditorium. Boys and girls from the first four grades will participate in the program and the public is invited to attend. School will resume classes Monday, Dec. 3.

Rev. Tom Watson was guest

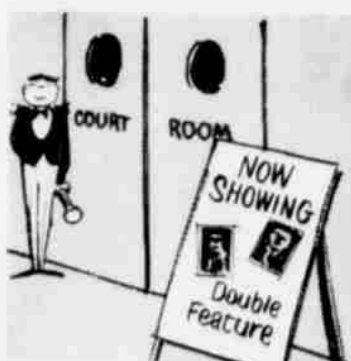


Movies in the Courtroom

The jurors were duly impressed when the attractive young plaintiff described the leg injuries she had suffered in an auto accident. She was so crippled, she said, that she was forced to wear low heeled shoes at all times.

In short order, the opposing attorney called for the courtroom to be darkened for a movie. Taken secretly, the movie neatly pictured the plaintiff's claim by showing her arriving at a party—wearing extra-high heels.

Courtroom movies have found their greatest use in deflating injury claims that are either false or exaggerated. However, they have also proved useful in establishing claims



that are valid—for instance, by clarifying the conditions that led to an accident, or by demonstrating the effects of an injury.

In fact, movies are so revealing that, though offered by one side of a lawsuit, they may aid the other side even more.

For example, in disputing the claim of an injured boy, the defense showed movies of him playing baseball to demonstrate that he was still able to take part in sports. But the movies also showed, more poignantly than words, the handicaps he did suffer in chasing fly balls and running bases.

Of course, the law's concern is not which side is helped but whether justice is served. There is real danger in the very fact that movies are so persuasive, for they may influence a jury beyond fair limits.

With that danger in mind, the law insists on careful conformity to the rules of evidence. Authenticity and accuracy of the films must be proven. Relevancy to the issues must be established. The trial judge may, at his discretion, rule out films that don't meet these tests.

In one case, a film of a stretch of highway was offered to show that the injured pedestrian should have been able to see the oncoming car.

However, it turned out that the picture was made in the wintertime, when intervening trees were bare of foliage. Since the accident happened in the summertime, when the trees were in full bloom, the film was excluded by the judge.

But with legal safeguards, movies have an important role to play in the courtroom. Like many other scientific developments, they open new paths in the law's search for truth.

A public service feature of the American Bar Association and the State Bar of Texas. Written by Will Bernard.

speaker at the local Baptist Church for both the morning and evening worship services last Sunday. Rev. Watson is a missionary in Uruguay, South America and is home on furlough at the present time. His wife and children were present and also his mother was a visitor from Portales, N.M.

The Women's Missionary Society of the local Baptist Church met Monday Dec. 13 at 3:30 p.m. The group prepared 8 boxes of fruit, cookies, etc. for different persons in the community. The program for the day was Bible study. Mrs. H. Harvey taught I Samuel, Mrs. Arthur Turner, II Samuel, and Mrs. Doc Vann, I Chronicles. The group decided to change its meeting time each Monday from 3:30 to 2:30 p.m. Ladies present were Mmes. Harvey, Turner, Vann, J.R. Hodges, J.R. Inklebarger, Jim Matthews, W. E. Savage and Arwin Turner. Mrs. David Hutchins and children of near Hereford were visitors in the community last Sunday.

Sharon and Terri Wallace, Markeeta Leonard, Danny and Lynn Baker, Lynette Cowan, Rita Young and Karyn Vrabel participated in the piano recital of Mrs. Buster Owens Sunday afternoon in the First Methodist Church of Littlefield. The Spade FFA will have a turkey shoot this afternoon (Sunday) from 1 to 5 p.m. All types shells will be available. Free coffee will be furnished.

One In Five Americans To Move In 1966

The odds are about one-in-five that you will move to a different home next year. If you are 22 to 24, it's even money that you will change your residence during 1966.

Aetna Life & Casualty, one of the nation's largest writers of homeowner's insurance, reports that over 35 million Americans now move each year. About six million move out of state; another six million cross county lines.

The younger and better educated people are those most likely to move, according to the insurance organization's study of trends affecting insurance needs.

Those in their early twenties, for example, often move because they get married or take their first permanent jobs.

Safe Driving Urged By Texas Public Safety

Everywhere bells toll and music applauds the entrance of the Christmas season. We are constantly reminded of the joy and happiness extended at this time of year. It would be miraculous if ALL could enjoy the remainder of the year. But being realists, we know that all will not; some will not reach their destination; some will not even begin the journey; others will not return from the trip. Why? Because the motor vehicle traffic accident will be a part of the holiday season. It will again take its toll. The figure 110 represents the number of persons who will die in Texas traffic this holiday period.

Sergeant Thurman Keffer of the Texas Department of Public Safety appeals to the driving public to join him and his personnel in an all-out effort to curb this tragic toll. Obey all traffic laws and rules of safety and go a little further, extending courtesy and patience to other drivers - giving them the right of way at pertinent places. Sergeant Keffer stated, "every available patrolman will be on duty. These men are on the road to protect and serve all highway users. All the uniformed services of the Texas Department of Public Safety will be making every effort to see that the highways are safe for all to use. Will you supplement their efforts and drive safely?"



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AMHERST NEWS

Bridge Club Holds Tea

The two Wednesday afternoon Bridge Clubs were at Hemphill Wells Monterey Tea Room for their annual Christmas luncheon last week.

Mrs. Vela Wheat, Mrs. A.A. Royal and Mrs. Norma Holtkamp of Littlefield were in Plainview Monday, Mrs. Wheat and Mrs. Holtkamp attended a luncheon at the Congress Inn Restaurant for Avon representatives and Mrs. Royal visited relatives.

Weekend guests of their daughter, Mrs. Raymond Davall and family were Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Williams of Earth, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thompson and family were given a housewarming Tuesday morning at their new home. The hostess group presented the honorees with a maple dinette table. They served doughnuts and coffee.

Mrs. Pat Hughes of Kermit visited her sister, Mrs. W.M. Tomes and other relatives last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Duffy Jr. and C.A. Duffy attended the graveside rites in the Resthaven Cemetery, Lubbock, Monday morning for Gayle Gerard White, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth White of Lubbock.

The Amherst girls and boys basketball teams entered the Anton tournament which began Thursday.

Pastor Wrote To Please Children

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

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.

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.

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.



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Grade School And Band Present Christmas Program At PTA

WHITHARRAL - Monday evening the last meeting of the year for the Whitharral P.T.A. was held in the cafeteria. Principal Lowell Herring emceed the program presented by the first six grades, directed by their teachers. Rev. Ellis Epts, pastor of the Whitharral Baptist Church, gave the invocation.

The first grade gave 'Frosty the Snowman' under the direction of Mrs. Mary Ann McGehee. Mrs. Sue McNutt and Mrs. Jimmy Hisaw.

'Packages' by Linda Linker; 'Listen to Christmas' by Kathy Theford; and 'Jolly Ole St. Nicholas' by the class was the presentation of the second grade, directed Mrs. R.L. Heard. The third grade gave 'Away in a Manger', 'A Birthday Long Ago' and 'Silent Night'.

The great Egyptian Sphinx was built about 2900 years before Christ was born.

The fourth grade gave a play, 'Christmas in Panama' directed by Mrs. Susie Bickley.

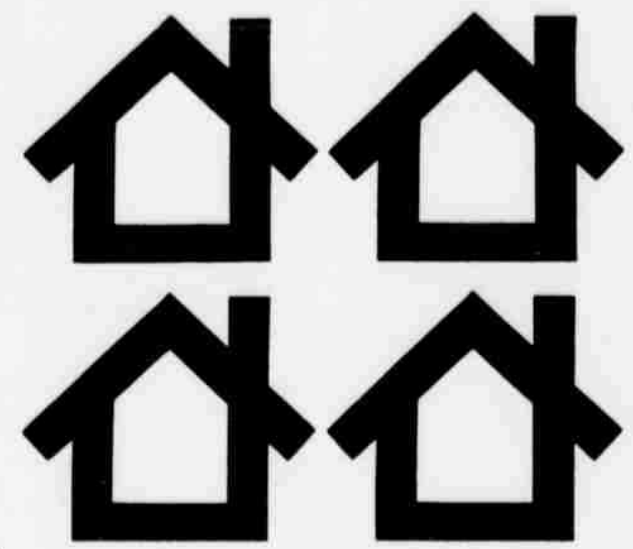
'The Twelve Days of Christmas' was sung by the fifth grade under Mrs. C.O. Guerry. Cherly Epts gave 'The Night Before Christmas' and directed the sixth grade in singing 'Silver Bells'.

The Whitharral Band under the direction of band director, E.W. Hallford, presented a group of Christmas carols. Mrs. Norman Theford is president of the local P.T.A.

Dub Malaise, who stands 5-11, paced Texas Tech in both scoring, with 15 points, and rebounding, nine, in the Red Raiders' 86-77 loss to University of Colorado at Boulder in the basketball season opener.

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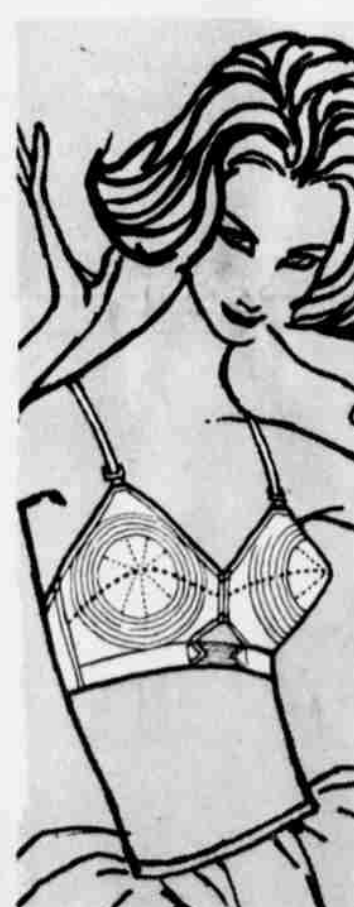
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LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa:
I am Cynthia Embry and I am 5 1/2 years old. I have been a pretty good girl this year. Would you please bring me a baton, doll, red suitcase and a projector.
Be sure to bring all children something.

Love
Cynthia Embry
1308 W. 13th
Littlefield, Texas

201 E. 14th St.
Littlefield, Texas
December 19, 1965

Dear Santa,
Please bring me an electric train, a B-B gun, a Daisy Smoking Carbine Gun, a football suit, a tent and that's all.
Please sit down & rest awhile. I'll have something for you to eat.

Love,
Brett Middlebrook

201 E. 14th St.
Littlefield, Texas
December 19, 1965

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a transistor radio, a Tressy doll & clothes. I want some clothes for Ken, Barbie & Skipper & Skipper's friend Ricky & maybe a Miss Barbie. I would like a Troll house & clothes, a Mary Pop-pin's game, and a book about dogs.

Sit down and rest and I'll have you something to eat. Bye!
Love,
Dana Middlebrook

Dear Santa,
How are you at the North Pole. This is what I would like to

have.
Tressy and her cloth, and her beauty hair kit, and Shrinking Violet, Heidi, and her cloths and Cathy.
Some new cloth for Barbie and some new cloths for tiny tears.

I sure would like to have Babe First Step. If that is to many things, take off Barbie's cloths.

Mystery books for Sharon, and anything else and Glenda wants Honeymoon.

I love you Santa,
Pam Parrott

December 17, 1965
Bloomfield, N.M.

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little 4 year old girl who lives in Bloomfield, New Mexico. It snows a lot here like it does where you live at the North Pole. Since I can't write

yet, my daddy is writing for me. I have been a good girl and am growing bigger. I would like for you to bring me a choo choo train and a doll too with a bed if you have one when you get to my grandma's house who lives at Roundup, Texas. If you have a baby bottle I need one for my doll.

Please bring my sisters and brother something too. They are Joyce, Linda and Rachel.

I Love You,
Rebecca Regina Williams

Star Route 1
Littlefield, Texas
December 13, 1965

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I heard that your reindeer had colds last Christmas. Did you get a ride? or did you have to walk? How is Mrs. Santa Claus? Is she well? And how is Rudolph? I saw him on television. I saw you also.

I want a gray felt hat, red western shirt, red tire, and a powershop. I will be very careful with my powershop. Most of all I will be good.

If we are gone just bring the gifts and put them by the fireplace. We will only go if Daddy gets his cotton harvested.

Yours truly,
Mark Coffman

P.S. My sister helped me write this.

this.

Keep Heating Unit In Good Repair At Yule Time

Are you looking forward to a warm and happy Christmas?

If so, make sure your heating unit is operating properly.

If you did not have your heating unit checked before winter began, it is a good plan to have it done now, before the holiday season arrives.

You will not only provide efficient heating during the Yule season, but you can also feel assured that your heating unit is in good operating order.

Every eighth fire is caused by a fault in a heating unit or system, or by failure to maintain it properly, the American Insurance Association says.

Christmas Caroling Almost As Old As Christmas

Christmas caroling is almost as old as Christmas itself—though not in the form we know it.

An early historian wrote that in the Second Century the bishop of Rome urged his people to sing 'in celebration of our Lord.' Christmas hymns go back to the Fifth Century, when most of them were written in Latin. St. Francis of Assisi is regarded as the father of caroling as we know it, according to World Book Encyclopedia. In 1223, St. Francis placed a creche (miniature Nativity scene) in a hermitage in Greccio, Italy.

After this many churches began displaying a Nativity scene at Christmas, and soon the people began acting out the noble 'Messiah' is a Christmas tradition. It first was performed in Dublin in 1742. 'Joy to the World,' written in the early 18th Century by Isaac Watts, was set to the music of a segment of the 'Messiah.' 'While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night,' written in 1703 by Nahum Tate, was set to music taken from 'Siroe,' an opera by Handel.

No one knows who wrote 'The First Noel.' It first appeared in print in 1833 in a book called 'Christmas Carols Ancient and Modern,' and is believed to be very old.

The author of 'God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen,' also is unknown, but he lived before Shakespeare.

So if you should go caroling this Christmas season, think of other carolers of years gone by, of the people of Charles Dickens' time in their beaver hats and curaway coats, of English villagers in hose and jerkin, of good St. Francis, and of the priests of the time of the Christian Roman Empire who, before caroling as we know it existed, sang 'in celebration of our Lord.'

Christmas story. The actors composed carols to sing with their Nativity plays and after the plays they would stroll down the street, singing. In that way, street caroling was born.

Joseph Mohr, a pastor in Oberndorf, Austria, composed 'Stille Nacht,' or 'Silent Night,' on Christmas Eve, 1818. Franz Gruber, the local schoolmaster and organist, composed the music the same day, and the hymn was sung for the first time

Christmas Season Puts More Hazards In Ho

COLLEGE STATION -- The Christmas season is indeed a happy one, but few people realize the added fire hazards their home contains during this time of the year.

The Christmas tree, center of all the pretty decorations and the main attraction can be one of the principal hazards if certain precautions are not taken, warns W.S. Allen, Extension agricultural engineer, Texas A&M University.

A freshly cut tree should be selected just a few days before Christmas. Cut the base of the tree diagonally and keep it sub-

merged in water or wet sand. Locate it away from fireplaces, powerful electric lights, radiators or other sources of heat. Use only Underwriters Laboratories approved lights for the tree. Inspect lights which have been used before or frayed cords and damaged sockets, advises the engineer. Avoid overloading electrical circuits with additional lights, toys and appliances.

Using nonflammable decorations greatly reduces the fire hazard. Turn off the tree lights when retiring or leaving the

house. Discard the tree as its foliage begins to shed. And don't allow wrappings to accumulate on the tree.

This is also a time for Allen points out. Extra should be taken with cigars and pipes around flammable materials.

Observance of these result in a safer and holiday season for the family.



... and best wishes for a joyous Holiday Season to our many loyal friends and patrons. We extend our heartfelt thanks and warmest wishes to all of you.

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Reflect Life Of The Times By Association Childrens Toys

The toys children play with have usually reflected the life of the times in which they were made. Roman children played with toy chariots and swords with toy chariots and swords. During the Renaissance, youngsters had toy carriages, ocean galleons and cross-bows.

Today parents ask, "Which toys are the most important to the development of normal, healthy children? Are some types of toys more beneficial, safer and—at the same time—more fun than others?"

Research by American psychologists, most of whom have sons and daughters of their own, has furnished some interesting facts about the learning function and the fun-function of toys—two processes which in the mind of the child, are one.

One of the first tasks of the late Dr. K. Groos, in his psychological study of play and toys, was to examine parents' inklings and intuitions about children, toys and games in order to test the truths they contain. The next step was to put the test results into straightforward language to help both parents and toy-makers do what's best for the child.

Parents have long sensed something special happening as a youngster picks up a toy and weaves his own imaginary world around it—a 'toy world' that is often so entrancing that the parent is drawn into it—like the old story about the father taking-over the son's electric train funny because it's so humanly true. Most fathers admit this, and according to one of the classic manufacturers of trains and auto racers, Lionel, whose first racer is dated 1912, fathers have always been attracted to racing toys.

What is this 'toy world', that is so attractive even adults? Dr. Ann Margaret, in research at the University of Wisconsin, saw the toy world as a world of its own; it has definite rules

limited 'here-and-now' and explore other worlds through the imagination. In this form of mental traveling, a child (like an adult) educates and broadens himself by play experience.

Like an actor, the child may pretend different roles. Dr. Neal Cameron, American psychologist and father, has said, "Children's play is children's work and much of it closely resembles social roles that adults live. A child's role-taking games are unplanned introductions to the business of adult life."

The boy or girl is building up a repertory or storehouse of response in his toy world, which he gradually learns to adapt to the factual world. Trial-and-error experimenting with the safer toy world builds confidence for each new step, each new contact with adolescent and adult worlds.

Psychologist call this gradual adapting of behavior and roles from one level (the toy world) to another level (the real world) "transfer of training." The greater the similarity between toys and their real life counterparts, the greater "transfer of training." The University of Iowa Child Welfare Research Center has found that the degree of realism in toys is a significant factor in increasing imagination and in organizing realistic play patterns.

Realistic toys may be divided into two groups. First, there are the Cause-and-Effect toys. For example, speeding an electric train or racing car around a curve may cause an upset, which interrupts play, is frustrating and forces the speeder to fall behind in a race with a playmate; as a result, this teaches the danger and disadvantages of speeding.

A smeared slide or badly focused microscope makes it difficult to see the minute mys-

teries that could otherwise be observed by following the correct procedure.

Reality Toys constitute the second group. The best playthings here should provide a positive answer to the question, "Does the toy and the imaginary world created around it represent a desirable, normal world?" For example, the automobile and railroad are both part of a healthy American traditional of travel and migration. The awareness among psychologists and toy manu-



CHRISTMAS 1965 HAS SEEN a resurgence of creative, educational toys such as these electrical trains. Surveys indicate parents are disenchanted with TV-advertized monsters, war toys and junk items, and are channeling youngsters to 'safe toys' this year.

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.

The Feast
Because an ancient tradition holds that animals helped to spread the glad tidings of the birth of Christ, barnyard ani-

mals 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. In French sections of Canada, President Cleveland is from cancer of the mouth, ing his second term of

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ishments. It even has cause-and-effect lessons, unique right-and-wrong morals because, in most cases, the toy world is a miniature version of the real world, but without real world dangers. It is a model of the world of grown-ups, yet without adult interference—an opportunity to explore, take chances and learn in the security of a game.

Toy weapons have long been popular with children, but many modern parents hesitate to give such weapons, because they don't like the idea of their child being able to 'shoot down' another—and have the experience turn out to be great fun.

Another reason for the change in emphasis in toys in that America is now more urban and less concerned with frontier traditions of gun-toting; we try to avoid violence, and war is too dangerous to consider.

One of the long-time leaders in science toys, Lionel, has responded to our new society's stand against violence by stressing a new theme: 'Safe toys for healthy kids.'

Consider, especially, the time-honored electric train which has weathered all the fads, wars and old-fashioned violence of the 1920's. Toy craftsmen now hope that the emphasis upon quieter, more realistic and constructive playthings will enable toys to perform their proper psychological function: giving the child the chance to satisfy his need for achievement and learning by exploring and manipulating a miniature reality.

According to Harvard's Dr. B.F. Skinner, the space craft or toy train or racing car is a symbolic representation of something in the real world, which a child can test and manipulate on the stage of his imaginary world.

The toy is the key to a useful fantasy, a theater of the imagination. With the toy, the child may rehearse for life, go through a 'dry-run' as an automobile driver in our automotive society pre-learning how to slow down for a curve and the dangers of speeding. Or, he might conduct basic 'experiments' with a science kit or microscope, learning to follow directions, make accurate adjustments, correct quantities of chemical mixtures—and feel proud of his results.

Through toys, a child may momentarily escape the necessarily narrow restrictions of being young, get outside his

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The very things that brighten the hearts of children—candles and streamers—are often the cause of Christmas tragedies. These simple rules as you plan your decorations, and they can be as festive and as safe as ever.

Only flameproof crepe paper streamers. If the streamers don't say "flameproof" don't buy it. The same applies to other decorations, including the cotton garlands. Don't use tinsel. It has been treated with a flammable solution. Use a fireproof tinsel if you must. Take care to keep them away from the tree itself. Take care to keep them away from the tree itself. Take care to keep them away from the tree itself.

coration lighting which carries the tag of Underwriters Laboratory approval.

Even after buying only UL products, pull the power cord from the wall outlet when the lights are turned off. This is important because insulation failures and overheated circuits could develop while you are absent from home.

Saw your Christmas tree off at an angle at least one inch above the original cut and keep it standing in a pan of water throughout the holiday period. The tree will thus absorb a great deal of water, especially during the first few days, and thereby be less vulnerable to fire. Be sure to add to the water from time to time so the entire stem will always be submerged.

As an added precaution, take the tree down as soon as practical after the holidays. If you have had a real tree, dispose of it in the manner and place prescribed by your community. In most Texas towns, the junior

Christmas Makes Fools Of Those Who Claim That God Is Dead

On Christmas Day a soldier in Vietnam, dirty with jungle mud and blood, will tear open a letter from home. For a few moments he will forget his bone-aching fatigue, remembering boyhood days with his family and the excitement of getting and giving gifts.

The sour-sweet smell of barracks and the dank green odor of jungle camps will be replaced by the smell of white sheets on the old bed at home on Christmas Eve, the pungence of Christmas trees and the aroma of food from mother's kitchen. The illusion will be gone even before the letter is finished and that soldier will long for peace, more than you or I who have never lived on a battlefield can ever long for peace, and he may weep for a meaning that has gone out of his life.

As long as that soldier feels joy from no more than the reading of a letter on a battlefield, or has hope expressed as a longing for peace, or repents through tears for lost meaning, we know that God is alive.

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.



and sincere good wishes to all!

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FROM QUEBEC?

"Angels We Have Heard on High" is a French carol, although some sources say that it originated not in France but in Quebec, Canada.



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Is There a Santa Claus? Yes, Virginia...

EDITOR'S NOTE: This editorial "Is There a Santa Claus?" by Francis P. Church first appeared in the New York Sun in 1897, in response to a query from 8-year-old Virginia O'Hanlon. It attracted nationwide attention and was reprinted annually in The Sun. Virginia O'Hanlon is now Mrs. Virginia Douglas of North Chatham, N.Y., and celebrates her 75th Christmas this year. The Daily News has reprinted the editorial periodically at the request of parents when their youngsters approach Virginia's age at the time she wrote The Sun.

WE TAKE pleasure in answering at once and thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of The Sun:

Dear Editor:

I am 8 years old.

Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says "If you see it in 'The Sun' it's so." Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus?"

VIRGINIA O'HANLON
115 West 95th Street
New York City

Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith, then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus? You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest men, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

Times Have Changed but Shepherds Still Watch Over Sheep at Night

Sheep and sheepherding 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 mankind.

When darkness falls on Christmas Eve, today's sheepherder 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 sheepherder 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 dic-

tionary 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 faraway places. In sudden storms, the sheepherder, 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).



Let peace and harmony reign!

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Re-Creating the Nativity

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

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

BEST WISHES TO ALL!

Sincere holiday greetings to you, our good friends and patrons.



LITTLEFIELD GRAIN COMPANY

DOYLE DEAN

Open Letter To Husbands Gift Shopping

Here's an open letter to husbands faced with selecting Christmas presents for their wives. It's from Mrs. Wanda Meyer, Extension home management specialist at Texas A&M University.

Dear Husband:

Christmas morning generally finds the family waiting for mother to exclaim over a new major appliance—a dishwasher or a dryer, perhaps—gleaming white or some chic new fashion color, and all topped with a huge red bow.

But what mother is really seeing is that little black book, all neatly marked off into monthly payments spread over the next two years. It may be difficult for her to remember the goodwill of Christmas morning when she is trying to stretch payments for both the appliance and the fuel bill next March.

Wives love you for wanting to give them everything to make their jobs easier. They just wish you'd listen to a few suggestions!

For example—unless it's an appliance brand new to a household, wait until it's really time for a change. Just because she's dazzled by the neighbor's new luxury model doesn't mean mother is ready to give up her present appliance. If you do buy a new appliance, be sure it's the model she wants.

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."

Almost any woman would rather have a candy cane with a note wrapped around it reading "First thing Monday pick out the dryer you've been dreaming about," than to have the one she doesn't want delivered Christmas Eve. Even with a red bow on it!

Should you decide on a labor-

saving device as a gift, don't forget to add some small extra gift, perhaps personal, such as perfume, or a dinner and theatre "date." Wives like to be considered important as a person — as well as being the one who does the laundry and washes the dishes.

So, happy shopping!

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In the Fullness of Time God Sent His Son



AND so the setting of our story shifts from heaven to earth where time and space enter into all calculations as they do not in the eternal realm. The location of our story now centers in the little town of Bethlehem. It is soon to be immortalized by an event that will live in the memory of man by song and story as well as by scripture. The action is limited to this tiny God who was to be found in the uttermost parts of the earth has now come to dwell among men as the child in the arms of Mary and Joseph. Then and there a thousand years came to be but as yesterday when it passed. A certain day on the calendar takes on significance as well as temporal significance. God acted then at a specific time as well as in a specific place.

The birth of this child was dated by the name of the king who was reigning at the time. Caesar Augustus had issued a decree that all were to be enrolled in the census of their birth. In obedience to that decree the king who had consented to be the bearer of the promised child, the handmaiden of the Lord, was hastening toward Bethlehem. Mary and Joseph have come to answer an edict calling for a census. So many others had come in obedience to the same call that the inns were filled and the only place of hospitality that these could find was that of a stable.

Here among circumstances that would appall any modern prospective mother, Mary, in the language of scripture, "gave birth to her first born son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger." The reputed place of this birth is drear and drab as one might expect it today. It must have been even more so then. Yet, somehow or other, wonder clings to the place. We remember that there was "a mother's deep prayer for a baby's low cry," and that here was repeated "the sweet story set round with glory."

The world paid little attention to this event through the ages ran. The birth at Bethlehem of one more unexcited little or no special attention among the people. While a certain expectation had grown up among the devout of his race as to the coming of a savior:

They were all looking for a king
To slay their foes and lift them high;
Thou camest a little baby thing
That made a woman cry."

Thus there were few to give heed when only a simple event such as the birth of one more baby took place.

It is not surprising that the contemporary onlooker missed the greatness of that event. Only God could have conceived the sheer simplicity of such a scene. Inevitably men asked as they found "such a babe in such a place: can he be the Savior?"

Looking back on the event we sing "Joy to the World the Lord is Come," but no one is singing that or any other Christmas song in the long ago that far away.

From "That Holy Thing" in a collection of poems, by George MacDonald.



Peaceful as a snowy landscape, lively as a playful fawn, is the Christmas we wish for you. We are ever grateful to you for your thoughtful consideration and gracious patronage.

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AUTHORIZED AGENT

Christmas Flowers: Lore And Legend

While thousands of Americans will be saying "Merry Christmas" with flowers this year, few may realize that the Druids of ancient Britain, who lived 2,000 years ago, believed that mistletoe was sacred to the goddess of love--thus our modern custom of kissing under the mistletoe.

According to legend, when a lad claims his kiss under the mistletoe, he must remove a berry and give it to the grateful maiden. When the last berry is removed from the plant, the mistletoe loses its power and no more kisses may be bestowed beneath it. It's also said that if a girl is kissed as many times as there are berries, she will be married within a year!

The use of holly as a decoration at Christmas time also can be traced back to antiquity--and many believe that the name is derived from the word 'holly.' In Germany, where holly is called Christdorn, there is a legend that this thorn was used for the crucifixion crown.

Another tale about holly relates the story of Joseph of Arimathea and eleven of his followers who came to convert

some heathens. While preaching to them on Christmas day, he dug his staff into the ground and it immediately burst into life and blossom. A church was dedicated on the spot, and this miraculous thorn of holly continued to grow, blooming always on Christmas day.

The flower that has become one of the best-known symbols of the Christmas season is the star-shaped poinsettia. So popular in this country are these scarlet-leaved blooms that the Florists' Trans-world Delivery Association reports wiring more poinsettias than any other holiday floral offering.

There are also many legends surrounding this Christmas-colored bloom. One tale relates how a poor Mexican girl was heartbroken because she had nothing of value or beauty to offer the Virgin. In desperation she plucked some scrawny roadside weeds and placed them at the feet of the holy statue. They were immediately transformed into scarlet brilliance. The Poinsettia plant, brought to this

country from Mexico over 125 years ago by Dr. Joel Poinsett, is still called by many "Flor de Noche Buena"--flower. Whether you 'say it' with Poinsettias this holiday season, or send friends other holiday

flowers or plants, a colorful, free catalogue of floral suggestions is available at local FTD florists' shops to aid you in your final selection.

Other favorite Christmas flowers have fascinating stories behind them. Did you know, for instance, that the Christmas daisy is not really a daisy--

but an aster? It's a fact! But this is no more unusual than the history of the Christmas rose--which during Greek times was thought to be a remedy for madness!

According to one legend, the rose came to be associated with Christmas on the very night that Christ was born.

The 'Messiah' oratorio, a Christmas tradition, was composed by George Frederick Handel in only 25 days, according to World Book Encyclopedia. It was first performed in 1742 in Dublin. A year later King George II set the custom of standing during the oratorio's 'Hallelujah Chorus.'

Greetings

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TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

One of the nicest things about Christmas is the opportunity it gives us to pause, putting aside all of our professional reserve, and to speak as one friend to another, extending our thanks to you for loyal patronage during this past year. And also to wish all of you a very hearty Merry Christmas!

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A LASTING SNOWMAN -- The sun and warm weather of the past few days had no effect on the snowman above who is made out of cotton and as the sign on the right explains is made of lasting quality. The snowman stands outside the home of the Jim Lang's at 309 E. 19th. --- LEADER STAFF PHOTO

Candles Gleam, Bells Ring, St. Nick Arrives — It's Merry Christmas!

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.

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.

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.

HELPING SANTA

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

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



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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.

Joy and Reverence Mark Holy Season

Candlelight and music, pageants 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.

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Readers Still Loyal to Dickens Favorite

Christmas Carol in Prose, the first published in 1843, and since that time its popularity has never waned after generation after generation.



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Dickens, creator of the miserly Scrooge, loved it as well as his readers did. He told the story of Scrooge and the Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Future.

"GOD BLESS US, EVERY ONE!" 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.

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

Pagan Feasts Are Source Of Customs

The customs now associated with Christmas were pagan or non-Christian in origin. According to The Encyclopedia Americana, Saturnalia, a Roman feast celebrated in December, provided the basis for many of the merry customs of Christmas.

day of the Mithraic rites of the birth of the sun and at the close of the Saturnalia. Among the German and Celtic tribes the winter solstice was considered an important point of the year and to commemorate the return of the sun they held their chief festival of Yule, which, like other pagan celebrations, became adapted to Christmas.

Astronomers estimate that there are at least 100 billion stars in the Milky Way system.

Greetings

THE SEASON'S BEST TO EVERYONE!

JONES JEWELRY

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 legion 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 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 illuminated 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.

Greetings

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"O Little Town of Bethlehem," a U.S. carol, was written by Episcopal Bishop Phillips Brooks in 1858, while he was rector of Holy Trinity Church in Philadelphia, Pa. Long trips under water were not possible until new methods of navigation had been discovered.



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**At The
Reed Loflins**

The spirit of the Christmas season has been caught by the Reed Loflins with the entire family getting in the act, even Dad. The Loflin home at 301 East 13th Street has really been bustling with preparations underway for a joyous holiday, as witnessed by these pictures. Rene and Robin, ages four and two and one-half, respectively, are always willing—even anxious—to lend a helping hand whether it is trimming the tree, making holiday arrangements, wrapping gifts or baking cookies. They especially enjoy the evenings when their parents take time out from their busy schedule to read a Christmas story to them or join them in singing Christmas carols.





MAKES CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS -- Mrs. Jack Christian, 117 East 13th, is a do-it-yourself type person when it comes to decorating for the Yule season. She makes something each year to add to her collection of decorations. The Wise Men hanging on the wall and the revolving Christmas tree were made by using jewelry on a velvet background. Shown

on the table are satin Christmas tree balls with beads and pearls, angel figurines made of cloth mache and antiqued, and colorful stockings decorated with felt appliques, and sequins. She is holding an unusual mistletoe 'kissing' ball, also elaborately decorated with jewelry.

--- LEADER STAFF PHOTO

The Story Of The First Christmas

"And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

(And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria).

And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David,

To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

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 round 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.

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

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

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

Glory to God in the high-

est, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known to us.

And they came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds."

Almost 2,000 years have passed since the occurrence of the events described by Luke in his Gospel narrative, yet man still listens in wonder at "those things which were told them by the shepherds."

That wondrous message given to us by the humble shepherds through the Scriptures is not merely the account of the birth of a Child to an obscure carpenter's wife in a remote little Judaeen village; it is the message of a hope fulfilled, a promise kept, and the culmination of years of faithful waiting by the children of Israel.

With the angels' chorus upon that starry night came the joyful news that a Saviour had indeed been born, as foretold by the prophets, one whose name would be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the mighty God, the everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

But even more than being the announcement of a long-

awaited historical event, the message of that Christmas was one of love -- a love that transcends our human understanding and reaches into every heart that will receive it.

For it was love that was born into this world on that very first Christmas.

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.

FIELDTON NEWS

Program Presented

The Fieldton Baptist Church had their annual Christmas program last Wednesday night, presented by the children of the church. There were gifts for the children and refreshments of hot chocolate, coffee and spudnuts were served to about 60 people. Mrs. Gene Joplin, Mrs. Don Muller and Mrs. Beverly Stewart were in charge of the program.

The RA's met Thursday afternoon after school for their weekly meeting. Attending were Roger Muller, Mark Joplin, Ricky and Jerry Stamps, Ricky Hopping, D.L. Sosebee, Connie Bowman, Kippy McLelland, Edward Yoakum, and Steve Cherry. Dr. Bethy Classey of Napa, Calif. has been visiting with friends. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Edwards, she is now visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Percy Pierce and Johnny Edwards in Lubbock.

The GA's met Thursday afternoon for their weekly meeting. They had a Christmas party and finished decorating a Christmas tree to take to a needy family. Refreshments were served to Donna Muller, Kathy Langford, Velva Lee, Debbie Sosebee, Donna Bowman and Tonya Pickrell. The girls also exchanged gifts. Mrs. Don Muller is the GA leader. J. B. Stevens of Lubbock visited Saturday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. U. J. Aldridge.

Mrs. Tom Moore of Springlake, a former Fieldton resident, has been hospitalized at Dennison. The Moores had gone there to visit her mother who was ill. The report is that Mrs. Moore is responding to treatment.

Visiting Sunday in the Claude McCain home were Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Russell of Arizona, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Hill and children of Littlefield and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Trulock.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Muller and boys spent Saturday in Denver City visited with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Harpe and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Balko and children visited Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Qualls. They also attended church at the Fieldton Baptist Church.

The WMU met Monday for the weekly meeting. The Bible les-

son was brought by Mrs. Earl Phelan. Attending were Mrs. Phelan, Mrs. Paul Hukill, Mrs. Homer Hukill, Mrs. Foust Durham, Mrs. Gene Joplin, Mrs. Ray Muller and Mrs. Royce Goyme.

Wes and Paula Hukill of West Camp spent the weekend with their grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hukill, their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Hukill, came for them Monday.

SS Class Has Party At Church

The 13-year old Intermediate girls of the First Baptist Church and their guests were entertained with a class party Friday afternoon in the basement of the First Baptist Church by their teacher, Mrs. Clois Foust.

Games were played and Christmas refreshments served.

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.

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TABLECLOTH -- Littlefield is busy with women who have a flair for the "make-it-yourself" realm. Mrs. Myers, 613 East 16th, has shown her industry in the elaborate Christmas tablecloth above. The cloth is of red net, trimmed with a felt border, felt appliques of Christmas bells and poinsettias, ornamented with various colored sequins. Mrs. Myers is quite adept at making things with her hands and loves to sew. -- LEADER STAFF PHOTO

Symbolism Of Colors in Stained Glass

The beauty of the stained-glass windows in churches can be attributed to the vivid contrasts of clear color. All of the colors have a spiritual aspect, according to the practitioners of this ancient craft.

The sapphire blues of the heavens reflect steadfastness, devotion and the effects of calm meditation.

Ruby reds are the hues of life, itself . . . enthusiasm, courage and sacrifice, and of love. Red is the color of valor, action — the wings of the seraphims and the gift of the Church's martyrs.

The gold of the sun is also the color of silence and strength. Poets and philosophers refer to the "golden thread" joining this life with the next. And yellow is associated with joy.

Green is the color symbolic of Spring, of youth and renewing promise. It typifies rebirth and newness of life.

All these, and other colors, are complemented by the simplicity of white . . . symbolizing innocence and perfect purity.

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

In Holland

Gift-giving 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 chil-

aren 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 Germany

Many modern Christmas customs come from Germany, including the lighted evergreen tree. Appropriately, gift-giving season in West Germany today starts after

Christmas bonuses are distributed on December 1.

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.

When Was the First Christmas?

Three men ride their camels over a sea of sand; a bright star hangs above a huddled in sleep. On hill-sides, sheep stir and of shepherds twinkle. Single light burns in the

everyone will recognize word-picture of the Christmas. But when, exactly?

Matthew tells us that he was born when Herod king of Judea and re-told the story of Herod's to kill the Infant King. Herod's death called the death of all boys two years old and according to the time he had diligently in- of the Wise Men." had told Herod of the Star of Bethle- two years before the had ordered the fight of the inno-

olars have established Herod reigned from 37 until his death in 4

B.C. Since we know that Herod died in 4 B.C., Jesus must have been born at least two years earlier.

The great German astronomer, John Kepler, suggested that Christ had been born in 7 B.C., during a conjunction of the planets Mars, Jupiter and Saturn. However, it has been learned that Mars, Jupiter and Saturn could not have been bright enough to be visible in 7 B.C.

And yet, 7 B.C. is regarded by many to have been the year of Christ's birth. According to the Bible, Christ was born during one of the great census takings of the Roman Empire. In addition, Rome's history records that an empire-wide taxation was begun in 8 B.C. It is not unlikely that the census and taxing were held at the same time since one could serve as a check on the other.

Since Judea was on the frontier of the Roman Empire, it must have taken the tax and census takers about two years to work their way there. We know that Jesus was at least two years old at the time of Herod's death in 4 B.C. Allowing a year and a half or two years for the Roman officials to reach

Bethlehem, and subtracting at least two years from 4 B.C., we can narrow the Nativity to 7 or 6 B.C.

Kisses Are Numbered By Mistletoe Berries

Mistletoe figures in many legends from pre-Christian times. Druid tree-worshippers believed it had magical powers of healing. Romans thought that enemies who met beneath

the mistletoe must kiss and declare a day's truce.

Today, kissing beneath the mistletoe remains a happy holiday custom. Correct procedure is that a berry must be removed for every kiss taken, and when all the berries are gone, there are no more kisses available.



TUMBLEWEED SNOWMAN -- Littlefield residents are finding there are several ways of making snowmen, even if we don't have a white Christmas. One way Mrs. Lee Holtcamp, 721 West Third, has found is to use tumbleweeds.

which are certainly not hard to find. She sprayed the snowman in white paint, put a hat on his head, gave him facial features and he was complete. A revolving light has been placed in the yard to show up the snowman at night.

Thou Shalt Not Kill

Christmas is a wondrous time when the miraculous becomes commonplace.

A time for petty differences to be put aside and one and all extend their hands and hearts in a sincere wish of "Peace on Earth, Goodwill Toward Men."

It is a time for family reunions, a time when our thought and feelings focus on our loved ones and our friends.

But the festive season is tinged increasingly each year with the sadness of death and injury on our streets and highways. Modern progress has brought with it not only comfort and luxury hitherto undreamed of, but a regrettable disregard for our fellow-man.

The Commandment, "Thou Shalt Not Kill," seems to have little moral influence on drivers of automobiles, whether the warning comes from God or traffic authorities.

The privilege to operate a car is bestowed by the state.

The manner in which a car is driven is prescribed by law.

But transcending the legal law is the moral law, "Thou Shalt Not Kill."

It imposes a moral responsibility on all drivers to operate their vehicles without maiming or killing themselves or others.

Hundreds of men, women and children die and thousands will end up in hospitals this holiday season unless we, as drivers, assume our legal and moral responsibilities to drive with care.

We urge drivers to give thought to the purpose and spirit of Christmas in making holiday travel plans. Be constantly alert when behind the wheel. Think of the tragedy and unhappiness that a moment's carelessness can bring about.

Remember that your loved ones are relying on you. And give a thought also for the other driver and his family.

Let the moral law, "Thou Shalt Not Kill," govern your actions.

In this way you can play your part in making this great holiday season a safe and happy one!

ANTON NEWS by MRS. C.D. NELSON

Jim Bryant Is Honored With Birthday Social

Jim Bryant, minister of the Lawrence Street Church of Christ, was honored by his wife with a birthday social at their home following services at the church Sunday evening.

Among the many gifts received by the honoree was a friendship quilt presented to Mr. and Mrs. Bryant by the members.

Sandwiches, coffee, punch and birthday cake, shaped like an open Bible, were served to approximately 100 guests from Acuff, Lubbock and Anton.

The Progressive Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. M.M. McReynolds Thursday afternoon for their annual Christmas party. The Christmas theme was carried out in the decorations.

Mrs. Muriel Johns led the devotional followed by a prayer by Mrs. Annie McCarty. Gifts were exchanged and the class presented their pastor and family with a party ham.

Refreshments were served to Mrs. J.A. Jackson, S.N. Twilley, Jim Parker, O.J. Thornley, M.M. Tidwell, McCarty, Ivy Burleson, D.D. Dickenson, McReynolds and five visitors, Rev. and Mrs. Johns and Dennis, Mrs. Thelbert McReynolds and Miss Francis Collins.

The Couples Class of the First Baptist Church had charge of the Sunday evening services.

A number of Christmas carols were sung and the history of the church was read by Bob Andrews.

At the close of the program the group gathered in the fellowship hall where refreshments were served to approximately 100 guests.

Mrs. Bill Glasscock and Mrs. Jim Copeland were in charge of the program. "The Christmas Story" that was presented Sunday at the Central Baptist Church.

The cast consisted of Ray Gregg, Jo Ann Reed, Gary Wooten, Patti Stone, Christi Stone, Dorenda Timms, Virgil Morton, David Roberts, Kathy Roberts, Randy Spradley, Victor Herrin, Charles Swan, Kathy Shultz, Linda Glasscock, Frankie Barbee, Cindy Benson, Troy Tidwell, Danny Spradley, Lanny Glasscock and Kerrie Herron, and Trudy Jezisek.

Floy Morton gave the benediction and the group gathered in Fellowship Hall where the pastor and his family, Rev. and Mrs. Darvey Lavender, Terry and Darvey D, were presented with a large array of gifts.

Cake, pie and coffee were served to about 125 guests. The Naomi Sunday School Class of the Central Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. Eva Dee Wright Saturday morning for their Christmas social.

Mrs. Jim Hobgood, class president, presided over a short business meeting. Mrs. Elmer Houston gave a devotional and Mrs. L.L. Anderson led the prayer. Secret pals were revealed and gifts were exchanged. Class members presented their teacher, Mrs. Houston with a gift.

The Christmas theme was carried out in the decorations throughout the house.

Cake and coffee were served to class members, Mmes. Houston, Hobgood, Bert Harper, E. G. Pool, J.D. Richards, Lee Stone, Claud Roberts, T.J. Bevel, C.D. Nelson, T.C. Talkington, Oscar Barnes, Wright and two associate members, Mrs.

Anderson and Mrs. C.O. Dooley and one visitor, Mrs. Curt Zant. Two class members, Mrs. D.T. Teague and Mrs. F.E. Spradley were unable to attend because of illness.

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Good judgment is essential in purchasing safe toys for children, says the American Insurance Association.

Chemical sets and toys requiring fuels can become hazardous in young hands, it warns.

All play with chemical toys or those involving fuels should be supervised by parents, the Association advises. And, when buying electrical toys, choose only those with the U.L. (Underwriters Laboratories) label.

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Wise Men who came to see You. I wish I could have seen
You, too. Please bless Mother and Daddy and baby
brother. And bless the whole world, too!



May we extend our sincere best wishes for a Merry and a bountiful Christmas to you, our patrons, and your families. Holiday blessings to all!

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SUDAN NEWS by MRS. EVELYN SCOTT

Numerous Holiday Events Held In Sudan Homes

The TEL Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met Thursday evening in the home of Mrs. O.D. Chester for a Christmas social. Mrs. Frank Rone was co-hostess.

The class presented Mrs. James P. Arnold, Sr., class teachers, a gift and Mrs. Arnold gave gifts to each member of the class.

A white elephant gift exchange was conducted, and monetary gifts brought for the children's Home in Lubbock.

Mrs. Arnold gave the Christmas story, "My Son".

Those present were Mmes. Arnold, J. Clovis Bridwell, J.C. Jones, T.W. Dunaway, Nolan Parrish, S.T. Reese, J.A. Williams, Oscar Vinson, Halbert Harvey, Moses Padillo, Curtis Savage, John Burnett, Elgan Baccus.

Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T.W. Dunaway will be her mother, Mrs. Vivian Smoot of Plainview, and her brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Golladay of Stratford and Chester Golladay of Plainview.

Mrs. Hershell Olds and Mrs. May Phelps were hostesses for a Christmas dessert bridge party Thursday afternoon when the event was held in the Olds home. Gifts were exchanged and dessert of fruit cake and ambrosia were served.

A Christmas tree and a gold thistle tree highlighted the house decorations.

Present were Mmes. Ves Patterson, Cleo Whitmire, Wallace Gosdin, Clovis Bridwell, R.E. Scott, J.B. Harper.

Plant X employees were entertained with a Christmas dinner and party Saturday evening in the school cafeteria.

A western band appeared on the program and door prizes were given. Harold May was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Bob Drake led the children in the singing of Christmas carols accompanied by Shirley Gilliland of Amherst.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Pinkerton were presented an Early American lamp. Mr. Pinkerton is a retired employee.

Santa Claus was present to distribute gifts to the children.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Maxwell plan to spend the holidays with her father, F.C. Weaver, in Fort Sumner, N.M.

Mrs. A.H. Kelley of Memphis, Tenn. is spending the holidays in the home of the Rev. and Mrs. Jack Riley and family. Mrs. Kelley is Mrs. Riley's mother.

Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clovis Bridwell will be their children, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bridwell, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. David Bensing, Chris and Kelly of Goldsmith; and her sister, Corinne E'Landers.

The eighth grade class members were entertained with a Christmas party last Saturday evening in the Community Center. Sponsors were R.L. Brown, Miss Sherry Martin, T.P. Wingo. Monetary gifts were brought to be sent to a children's home in Lubbock.

A Christmas party and pack meeting for Cub Scout Troop 635 was held Wednesday evening in the Community Center. Skinny Gage is Cubmaster.

Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Scott will

be their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Heffington, Spade, and her mother, Mrs. Clara Parrott, Littlefield.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ryan and family of Anchorage, Alaska arrived this week to spend the holidays in the home of her mother, Mrs. S.D. Hay.

Mike Masten was scheduled to undergo surgery Monday morning at the hospital in Amherst.

Mrs. John Dean is to return home this week after visiting in New York City with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Carlisle.

Mr. and Mrs. H.A. Markham of Buffalo, N.Y. visited last week in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reed Markham.

The Sudan Sewing Club met Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Jinks Dent for the annual Christmas party. Gifts were exchanged and a turkey dinner with trimmings was served.

Present were Mmes. Otis Markham, Gilbert Masten, Lena Rollins, Martin Maxwell, John Tucker, H.W. Qualls, Mike Carter, Ed Bellar, John Milam, J.T. Henderson, Blanche Jones of Lubbock, Joe West, I.R. Boren, Anne Chester, A.L. Frazier, and a guest, Mrs. Woodard of Lubbock.

Employees and families of the Lamb County Butane Company were entertained Saturday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walton Downs with a Christmas dinner and party. Co-host and hostess were Mr. and Mrs. Clovis Bridwell.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Skinny Gage, Dewain and Donald Keith; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Davison, Cheryl, Mart and Pam; Carol Powell, Doris Ratliff of

Littlefield. Others present were Keith Downs, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bridwell of Lubbock, and Corinne E'Landers.

Mrs. Tom McKenzie entertained with a bridge club meeting Thursday afternoon and used the Christmas motif for the hospitalities.

Present were guests, Mrs. Keith Glover, Mrs. Jacky Van Ness and members, Mmes. Audrey West, R.E. Scott, Bill Palmer, Gerald Chisholm, Richard Powell.

Mrs. Joe D. Parrot and son, Zachry of Littlefield visited Sunday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dawson Muller.

The WSCS of the First Methodist church met Monday, Dec.

14 for a Christmas social and salad luncheon in the Fellowship Hall of the First Methodist Church.

Hostesses were Mrs. Radney Nichols and Mrs. Joe Salem. The Rev. Jack Riley gave the invocation. Mrs. W.O. Willingham spoke on "Symbols in Christmas Art."

A love offering was taken for shut-ins and conference Missions. Mrs. J.S. Smith gave the closing prayer.

Radney Nichols, who had been confined to the hospital in Amherst was moved Sunday to a Lubbock hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. John Tucker plan to spend the holidays in Pueblo, Colo. visiting their son, Dr. Bill Tucker and family.



RED GOLD FIGURINES -- The angels above are made of cloth mache' and gilded with black and gold spray paint. Mrs. Keeling, 123 East 13th, has made a number of these in recent weeks -- including some standing -- Mrs. Keeling also made the angel Christmas tree and painted the still life of the white chrysanthe-mums and angel figurine in the background. Dottie enjoys making things with her hands and at the present is concentrating on an art exhibit she will have in the near future.

The Magi Symbolized Ancient Priestly Caste

Testament history goes to Matthew, the one of the three Magi named a star to Bethlehem search of the Incarnate describes them as three "wise men from the east". It was not until the 2nd century, according to the Book of Enoch, that they were called "kings" in a legend that traces to that time.

Magi originally represented the priestly caste of ancient Persia Zoroastrianism. As this religion moved westward, it came into contact with Babylonian beliefs and practices thus derived an interest in astrology, magic, and magic.

At the time it had reached the Graeco-Roman world, Zoroastrianism was almost identical with astrology and in the popular view, explains the use of the "wise men" in Matthew's New Testament account of the three men who therein were astrologers and not kings.

Mag bells in churches, solemn and glad ceremonies, goes back to 7 A.D. Early Britain church called for an hour on Christmas Eve, announcing the coming of Christ. At midnight, joyous heralded Christ's



'T' WAS the day after Christmas and all through the house--it was Bedlam. Mom had to thread her way through a maze of electric trains, rockets and space ships on the living-room floor to get to the kitchen, and she was mumbling out there about 'this new toaster that doesn't work as well as the old one.' Pop was grumbling about which one of those atrocious ties he'd have to wear to the office, and my big sister Polly was yelling, "You'll just have to take it back, Mother-r-r. It doesn't fit at all!"

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

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 con-

cerning 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 — "Marci 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.

How Legends, Carols Began

Many Christmas Carols have animals and things as themes. An example is the well-loved "Carol of the Birds," of French origin, wherein birds bring the sweetest music to earth. Such carols live forever.

Carols simply are songs with a religious impulse and thus come from the world over. Each century has given to the treasury of carols, but none is more revered and sung as the much loved 19th century carol, "Silent Night, Holy Night."

Another lovely carol is, "Carol of the Flowers," where flowers speak of

love in all mankind; and from Germany a ship carol, called "Song of the Ship," in which Mary is likened to a ship, bearing the Son of Heaven; the "Cherry Tree Carol" where the Virgin Mary is afforded sustenance along the way to the manger.

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.

A Christmas Quiz

You decorate your home with holly and sneak kisses under the mistletoe...toast your friends...take for granted that Christmas was always celebrated on December 25...and even if you're past believing in Santa Claus, expect to see him drawn and painted as a jolly, bearded old elf. But did you ever stop to think of WHY you do these things!

1. How about your Christmas decorations? Know WHY we kiss under the mistletoe...

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.

There are more than six million registered motor vehicles of all types in Texas.

who was first to use holly in December...what holly symbolizes to Christians...from which country the poinsettia came...how the cherry tree figures in Yule lore?

Kissing under the mistletoe is said to have begun with the ancient Romans, who viewed the plant as a symbol of peace. Enemies, meeting under the mistletoe, were supposed to embrace and declare a truce. The Romans were also first to use holly — at their December Saturnalia festival. But Christians also find holly appropriate because they see in it the symbolism of Christ's blood (the red berries) and His crown of thorns. The poinsettia, another holiday bloom, comes from Mexico. Joel Poinsett, first American Minister to Mexico, brought it here in 1836. The cherry tree, according to the well-known "Cherry Tree Carol," bent its boughs so that the Virgin Mary could pluck its fruit.

2. Which settlers brought Santa Claus to the New World, which three men created today's popular image of Santa Claus? Can you name his real-life prototype?

The Dutch brought San Nicolaas (Sinter Klaas for short) to the New World; later his name became Americanized to Santa Claus. Author Washington Irving first described Santa as riding through the skies in a reindeer-drawn sleigh. Clement C. Moore described Santa as fat and jolly, with a snowy

beard, in his famous poem, "A Visit from St. Nicholas." Cartoonist Thomas Nast drew him that way. Santa's prototype, the real St. Nicholas, was a 4th century Turkish bishop who became a legend in his own lifetime for his generosity and his love of children.

3. How did the Christmas toast and wassail bowl begin? Both were started in the same gesture by the daughter of an early Germanic chieftain on a campaign to Britain. Offering a garlanded bowl of wine to her father's princely host, she said "Wass-hell," or "Here's to you." The prince responded gallantly and they were soon married.

But it wasn't until the 17th century that people called a toast a toast. The term derived from a quaint English custom of floating a piece of toast in the drink to improve its flavor.

4. Christmas dates are the subject of this one: Who fixed the date of Christmas to December 25? In what century was Christmas first declared a legal holiday? Which Americans made it a crime to celebrate Christmas? When is Epiphany, and how does it fit into the Christmas calendar.

exact — Christmas was made a legal holiday in Rome. But 1659, passed a Massachusetts law making it a penal offense to celebrate Christmas! As for Epiphany, it occurs on January 6, and marks the birth in the life of Jesus; the visit of the Magi to Bethlehem, and the flight to Egypt. The feast at Cana.



Merry Christmas

TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

One of the nicest things about Christmas is the opportunity it gives us to pause, putting aside all of our professional reserve, and to speak as one friend to another, extending our thanks to you for loyal patronage during this past year. And also to wish all of you a very hearty Merry Christmas!

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of the Christmas Season

Christmas! The word awakens a host of happy expectations... stirs the imagination with visions of turkey and treats, gifts and greetings, laughter and friendship. It's a sparkling season, a joyous season... a season that beams a spiritual light into our hearts. We wish all its delights for you.

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WINNER IS -- And Gayle McCoy, Star 2 was the name on the card drawn for cycle built-for-two given away by the Club at the conclusion of their Christmas sale. Three others won season tickets to area high school football games and an additional three prizes of ten pound turkeys went to lucky winners. Patsy Russell did the name drawing while Harold Phillips and Curtis Wilkinson checked the names.

Holly, Traditional at Christmastime

Holly has long been considered the most sacred of Christmas greens; and the red berries are said to represent the blood of Jesus.

"Of all the trees that are in the wood, only the holly bears the crown!"

A display of holly was long a sign of Christian worship.

Folklore has it that holly in the window will keep evil spirits away from the house, and holly at a maiden's bedside, on Christmas Eve, will protect her from goblins!



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.

might be looking for shelter.

Although the Irish have always been said to have the "gift of gab," it is the French peasants of the regions who believe that all babies born on Christmas Eve will have a ready and facile tongue.

Legends of Many Lands

Some of our most famous legends have been passed down from generation to generation. Yet there are others which are practiced only in certain countries. Some of these are so charming that it is a shame that we Americans have not adopted them.



MR. AND MRS. H.R. CAUDLE
Join In Extending

Best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The young women of northern England continue to preserve a legend concerning Christmas holly. Many a girl still believes that if she places a piece of holly under her pillow during the observance of Christmas, her chances for obtaining her "prince" are assured. No doubt this practice has its points...

In Switzerland the unmarried romantic couples have a similar belief. Should a Swiss miss meet a young lover who offers her a sprig of the mountain flower, edelweiss, she's engaged. There is nothing, though, in the legend about what happens if the young lady would offer a gentleman a sprig.

Although many believe that Ireland is a little bit of heaven, the Irish have a charming Christmas belief. If one should die on Christmas day, so they believe, he goes straight to Heaven. The doors to Paradise are open for suchfortunates, and Purgatory is completely bypassed.

There is also a legend in the Emerald Isle concerning the burning of the Christmas candle. In ancient days and today a candle is left burning in the window on Christmas. For as they say in Ireland, "Who knows, on some Christmas Eve, Jesus, Mary and Joseph may come again; not to Palestine, but to the Emerald Isle." This candle, burning in the window, just may light the way for Mary and Joseph who

AMHERST NEWS

Workmans Attend Reunion

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Workman were in Levelland Sunday for her family reunion. They were among 38 persons that attended the Hodge reunion. It was held at the home of her sister, Mrs. J.P. Bean and Mr. Bean.

Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Breshers have gone to Centralhoma, Okla. for Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Gentry and their son, Billy Wade Breshers.

Mrs. Darrell Elliott and three children of near San Diego, Calif. arrived Friday for a holiday visit with her father, Raymond Cantrell; her grandmother, Mrs. Lucy Cantrell; her brother Hudson and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Blessing visited their sons, Jedd and family in Floydada and Pat and family in Lubbock, Saturday.

Rev. and Mrs. Ray Douglas and daughter of Panama are spending some time in Costa Rica attending a language school. They are missionaries for the Southern Baptist Convention. Her mother, Mrs. Ethel Gregson said that when they return to Panama in February he will be dean of the seminary there.

Mrs. Marie Cummings returned by plane from Amarillo to her home in Centralis, Ill. Monday after spending several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Crosby. Mrs. Crosby continues to improve in a local hospital following a heart attack suffered a few weeks ago. Mr. Crosby is residing in the Amherst Manor.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Israel of Clovis visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Crosby and Mrs. Jarita Duggan Sunday and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Crosby in Littlefield.

Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Lightsey's daughter, Mrs. B.E. Morris and son left recently for Okinawa where her husband 1st Lt. Morris has been stationed since September.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lance have named their daughter Sheila Michelle. She was born December 14 in the Littlefield Hospital.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Troy Lance and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Bass of Littlefield. Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs.

Jon Cornelius were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hamner and family of Winters.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Zachary visited his parents in Hollis, Okla. last weekend.

Rev. John S. Bankin of Stanton was here for the Christmas Cantata presented at the Baptist Church Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W.P. Holland spent Sunday with relatives in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. E.B. Teague of Plains are spending some time with their daughter, Mrs. W.C. Lightsey and Mr. Lightsey. She received a neck and back injury several weeks ago in a car accident near Morton. She continues to improve at her home.

Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Quick, R.E. and Rae Nell left today (Thursday) for Delhi, La. where they will visit her brother, Earl Pollard and family. They will return by Heaton, Okla. to visit his parents and in Bowie with her father.

At the Sunday morning service Rev. O.L. Turner of Sudan will deliver the sermon and students home from college will have charge of the night service. They are Jan Holland, Sue Brantley, Barbara Seymore, Jimmy and Darrell Priddy and Vicki Dingus.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bridges of Littlefield were guests of Mrs. G.D. Lair Sunday evening. Recent guests of their son, C.R. Roberts and family were

Services Held For Mrs. Stephenson

Funeral services for Mrs. Ida Bell Stephenson, 83, 714 Phelps Avenue, were held Tuesday at 2 p.m. in Hammons Funeral Chapel with the Rev. R.D. Longshore, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial was in Post Cemetery under direction of Hammons Funeral Home.

A resident of Littlefield for the past 14 years, Mrs. Stephenson died Monday in Knights Rest Home.

Survivors include four nieces, Mrs. A.E. Mann of Littlefield, Mrs. H.C. Mooney of Oklahoma, Mrs. Burt Capps of Burkburnett and Mrs. Edd Wohlgenuth of Pampa.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Roberts of Bovina.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

To you, our good friends and customers, we're wishing a Christmas merry and bright with good times and good fellowship. And we warmly extend our grateful thanks for the pleasure of serving you all year.

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ATTENDS CONFERENCE -- Jim Lang (right), western division manager of Tide Products Co., Littlefield, Tex., studies a computerized weather impact report with J.M. Malk, director of market development for International Minerals & Chemical Corporation. The computerized system predicts future effects of weather on agriculture. Lang was one of 12 fertilizer blender advisory panelists who met last week at IMC's headquarters at Skokie, Ill.

Lang Attends Soil Meeting

A computer has said that soil moisture levels have improved greatly over a wide area of eastern Texas and this is expected to carry through to spring.

This computerized report was given last week to 12 members of a fertilizer blender advisory panel at Skokie, Ill. Jim Lang, western division manager of Tide Products Co., was one of the panelists.

As a whole, soil moisture conditions have improved over most of Texas as compared to last year, according to J.M. Malk, who relayed the information from the computer to the panel.

He is director of market development for International Minerals & Chemical Corporation.

The computerized weather impact system, developed by IMC, measures thousands of up-to-the-minute weather facts to compute future effects of weather on agriculture.

The panel meets annually at IMC's headquarters to review agricultural business conditions and analyze industry trends in the United States and Canada.

Summarizing the two-day session, panelists said that farmers are turning to specially formulated fertilizer products tailored to fit local soil, crop and weather conditions.

Because of this trend, the panelists agreed, blender manufacturers must become more expert in designing a fertilizer program for local farmers.

Give Baby Sitter Number of the Fire Department

If you are planning to leave your children at home to dine out, go to the theater, or visit friends during the Christmas holiday season, be certain to employ a babysitter who knows what to do in case of an emergency, the American Insurance Association said today.

It is a good idea to place a card by the phone with the phone numbers of the fire department, the police department, the family doctor, a nearby neighbor — and also where the parents may be reached, the Association said.

The sitter should know two alternate routes of escape from the house so that she and the children can get out safely if one way is blocked by fire. These alternate routes should be shown to her, and she should be told that in case of fire she is to (1) get the children out of the house, and (2) then call the fire department.

"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.

Damascus, Syria, it the world's oldest continuously inhabited city. It existed in 2,000 B.C.

The History Of Christmas

Christmas is described in song as the season to be merry. It's also a season steeped with rich traditions — some of which evolved from customs practiced before the birth of Christ.

The use of greenery at Christmas, for instance grew out of ancient Roman and Greek customs. Romans made lavish use of green boughs and garlands to honor Saturn, their god of agriculture. Greeks awarded laurel wreath to victorious athletes.

Holly was a favorite Roman decoration. The Druids of ancient England thought it sacred. Mistletoe was regarded as a

charm against evil in Greek mythology. It was a symbol of hope and peace to the Romans. The Druids believed it had healing powers. The Norse considered it to be sacred and a symbol of love.

It was in heavily-forested northern Europe that the Christmas tree custom was begun by St. Boniface, an eighth century monk. He converted the pagans living in what is now Germany, and ended their human sacrifices to Odin's sacred oak. He convinced the people instead to adorn fir trees in their homes in tribute to the Christ Child. Although Christ's birthday

was celebrated on various dates as early as the third century, its observance wasn't sanctioned officially until a century later. Until then, Church fathers withheld their blessings because they feared the occasion would be tied in with pagan festivals.

Finally, to satisfy growing Christian desire, Pope Julius I authorized an investigation to determine Christ's probable birthdate. This led to the selection of Dec. 25. On that date in 353 A.D., the feast of the Nativity was first observed in Rome.

Exchanging Christmas cards is a fairly recent custom. It began in England in the 1840's — the exact date is in dispute. The first sender also is a source of argument. At least four persons, including a 16-year-old artist, are credited with being first.

Christmas cards were introduced in the U.S. by Louis Prang, a German immigrant who settled in Roxbury, Mass. Known as the 'father of the American Christmas card,' Prang printed his first one in 1837. By 1881, he was turning out five million yule cards a year.

It was in the 1870's that nostalgic winter scenes by the famed Currier and Ives became highly popular as Christmas card illustrations. Even today, Currier and Ives Christmas cards are perennial best sellers, according to greeting card firms. One business organization alone, Nationwide Mutual Insurance of Columbus, Ohio, sends out 200,000 Currier and Ives Christmas cards each year.

The No. 1 Christmas favorite of children, of course, is jolly, old Santa Claus. The original Santa Claus was St. Nicholas, a fourth century bishop famous in his lifetime for his great generosity, especially to children.

Legend has it that St. Nicholas secretly tossed bags of gold into the home of three dowry-less girls when they reached marriageable age. On one of these missions, the bag fell into the stocking hung near the chimney to dry. And so began the custom of hanging stockings on Christmas Eve.

'St. Nick,' who lived in Asia Minor, became the parson saint of children in several countries, including Greece, Holland, Russia, and Belgium. As his fame spread to Scandinavia, he picked up his reindeer and sleigh. Santa's rosy cheeks, white beard, and portly frame came from the pen of Dr. Clement Moore of New York who immortalized him in his 1822 poem, 'A Visit from St. Nicholas.' This poem starts with

the famous line, 'Twas the night before Christmas....'

Famed cartoonist Thomas Nast, popularized Santa Claus even more in 1863 by picturing him in a bright red, fur-trimmed suit.

The use of poinsettias as Christmas decorations isn't old as customs go. Dr. Joel Poinsetta of Charleston, S.C., after whom the flower is named, introduced the plant to the U.S. in 1828. In Mexico and Central America, where the flower apparently originated, it was known as the 'Flower of the Holy Night.'

One of the most revered Christmas customs is the reenactment of Christ's birth with a creche, or crib scene. Although started several hundred years earlier, the custom wasn't popularized until the 13th century by St. Francis of Assisi. At that time, there were few books available and most people couldn't read anyway. To give an understanding portrayal of Christmas, St. Francis dramatized the Nativity in 1224 at Greccio, Italy.

Villagers took the parts of Mary, Joseph, and the shepherds. Live animals were used. A life-sized wax figure of the Christ Child was placed in the manger. The living creche attracted large crowds from nearby and distant areas.

And, as the pilgrims stood about admiring the scene, St. Francis led them in joyous

songs written in the vernacular. Thus was born another great and popular custom — mas caroling.



Best wishes our many good friends

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Silent Night

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Legends, Loved for Centuries

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mary," said the Mother of Jesus . . . "henceforth you shall bear blue flowers for remembrance of my blue cloak. And, where His clothing touched you, all shall be fragrantly aromatic." And so she blessed leaf, stem and flower of the modest rosemary.

the Robin * * *



When Christ was born in the manger, He had few comforts in the rude stable, assailed by cruel winds. His Mother pleaded with the oxen and the donkeys, and even the cart-horse to breathe on the listless embers and bring some warmth from them.

But all dozed and dreamed, not hearing the frail Mary. Suddenly into the stable flew a brown bird. Making a bellows of his wings he puffed up his feathers and made forays into the slumbering fires, stirring them to a rousing flame, all the while risking his little body for his Lord's comfort.

Even though the flames seared him, the bird, now red-breasted, sang loud and cheerfully.
Soon all the stable was comforting and warm . . . and softly slept the Christ-Child.

"Master Robin," said Mary, "wear now a breast of red, a blessed stain on your heart, that all may see the symbol of your love."

the Birthday * * *

On Christmas Eve, some say, certain fortunate little children are gathered up by angels to visit the Christ-

child in Paradise.

It is said they have such a pandemonium of fun, Heaven is rent with their laughing.

They toss gold balls, climb the ever-beautiful trees, reach forth to touch the stars, join Him in a celestial chorus of sweet young voices.

Then, drowsing upon their angels' stalwart shoulders, they are borne earthward

through the night, and by angels tucked tenderly into their little beds at home.

On Christmas Day and later, when they try to tell about the journey and the Birthday party, they cannot form the words, and fall silent in happy remembrance. Parents look at each other questioningly, and smiling, go about their ways thinking their child is lost in a fanciful dream.

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.

Yet, how blessed are these little ones who with their own eyes have seen the dazzle of Heaven and carry through all their lives the very magic of Christmas.



VISIT OF THE THREE KINGS. or Three Wise Men is traditionally celebrated in the Christian church as Epiphany, or Twelfth Night. Literally translated, "Epiphany" means "appearance," and also commemorates the manifestation of Jesus as Christ the Saviour. Epiphany is celebrated in various ways throughout the world. The visit of the Three Kings to Bethlehem, the baptism of Jesus and His first miracle at Cana are all three believed to have happened on the same date, though in different years.

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

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.

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Dickens' 'Carol' still a Favorite

One of the most popular and perhaps best known short stories concerning the celebration of Christmas was written during a dreary age of commercialism, secularism and anti-clericalism. Furthermore, this story of joyful mystery of Christmas has as its main character a miserly bore.

Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol", written in 1843, is this great liter-

ary work concerning Christian love in an age of cruelty and horror.

In this story Dickens' genius caught the many injustices, the extreme poverty and the unhealthy conditions of his time. But he also revealed how Christian love could exist in such a period.

To represent injustice, Dickens created a miserly scrooge; for poverty, a poor family named Cratchit; and for Christian love, a crippled innocent called Tiny Tim.

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

CHRISTMAS TREE FOR ENTIRE U.S.

One winter day in 1924 a visitor to King's Canyon National Park, California, looked down and saw a little girl who had appeared suddenly as if "from nowhere."

She looked up at the tall, 267 ft. Sequoia covered with a cloak of snow and exclaimed, "What a wonderful Christmas tree it would be!"

What, indeed, thought the man, looking again at the towering giant which he recognized as the famous General Grant tree. So, before Christmas 1925 the inspiration the child had given him stirred Charles Lee to recruit over a hundred of his acquaintances to attend a special Christmas service conducted at the foot of the sequoia.

The awesome ceremony has been celebrated for almost 40 years by nearby residents. As a result, the United States Department of the Interior, on April 28, 1926, officially dedicated this Sequoia as the Nation's Christmas Tree.

On November 11, 1956, Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, in accordance with an act of Congress, in a special ceremony declared the Tree a national shrine in memory of America's armed forces who died in service.

Last year almost 2500 persons attended the service, held on December 13; approximately a dozen states were represented, coming from as far away as Florida.

As Bishop Kennedy of the Methodist Church, puts it: "The Nation's Christmas tree is the best symbol of Christmas... very old, very new, and forever alive."

Yes, for this huge sequoia reaches heavenward more than 267 feet and was already 1,500 years old when Christ was born.

A VISIT FROM St. Nicholas

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse; The stockings were hung by the chimney with care, In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there; The children were nestled all snug in their beds, While visions of sugar-plums danced in their heads; And Mamma in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap, Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap; When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter, I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter. Away to the window I flew like a flash,

Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash. The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow, Gave the lustre of mid-day to objects below. When, what to my wondering eyes should appear, But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny reindeer, With a little old driver, so lively and quick, I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick. More rapid than eagles his coursers they came, And he whistled and shouted and called them by name:

"Now, Dasher! now, Dancer! now Prancer and Vixen! On, Comet! on Cupid! on Donner and Blitzen! To the top of the porch! to the top of the wall! Now dash away! dash away! dash away all!" As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly, When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky:

So up to the house-top the coursers they flew, With the sleigh full of toys, and St. Nicholas, too. And then in a twinkling, I heard on the roof, The prancing and pawing of each little hoof — As I drew in my head, and was turning around, Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound. He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his foot, And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot;

A bundle of toys he had flung on his back, And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack. His eyes — how they twinkled! his dimples, how merry!

His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry! His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow, And the beard of his chin was as white as the snow;

The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth, And the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath; He had a broad face and a little round belly, That shook when he laughed, like a bowlful of jelly.

He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf, And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself. A wink of his eye and a twist of his head, Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread. He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work, And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk,

And laying his finger aside of his nose, And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose, He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle, And away they all flew like the down of a thistle. But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight, "Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good night!"

by Dr. Clement Clark Moore

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

Why the Christ Child Blessed the Pine

As the old story goes, long ago the pine tree was subject to seasonal changes, like other varieties of trees... losing its green fripperies in winter.

One day King Herod, in a rage of fear, sent his armies out to slay all infant boys, lest one threaten his crown.

In Israel a carpenter, Joseph, and his wife, Mary, with the Child Jesus, fled the country before Herod's wrath. At day's end they came to a green wood where stood a pine, heavy with needles, that every summer gave small birds a nest. Half its trunk was hollow. "Come," said Joseph to the little family, "we will find haven here."

The pine tree, full of pity, dropped its blanket of branches down to cover them, and there they stay-

ed, while Herod's armed men rode past, their hands stained with the blood of innocent babes.

When morning dawned, the Child Jesus awoke, and, looking up at the high pine, blessed it:

"Great pine, henceforth you will always keep your suramer raiment and be forever green. Through the

Rosemary and Bay Are Flowers of Y

Legends say the Virgin Mary rested by a rosemary plant, and placed the Christ Child's garments upon its branches, whereupon the white blossoms turned to a lovely lavender to honor the Child.

The bay tree with its

ages' multitudes will find sanctuaries long."

And so it was the evergreen Pine, the living things.

The legend tells that if you cut a through part-way find within it the His hand.

lance-like leaves and berries, was said to shelter the Family a thunderstorm would not strike a

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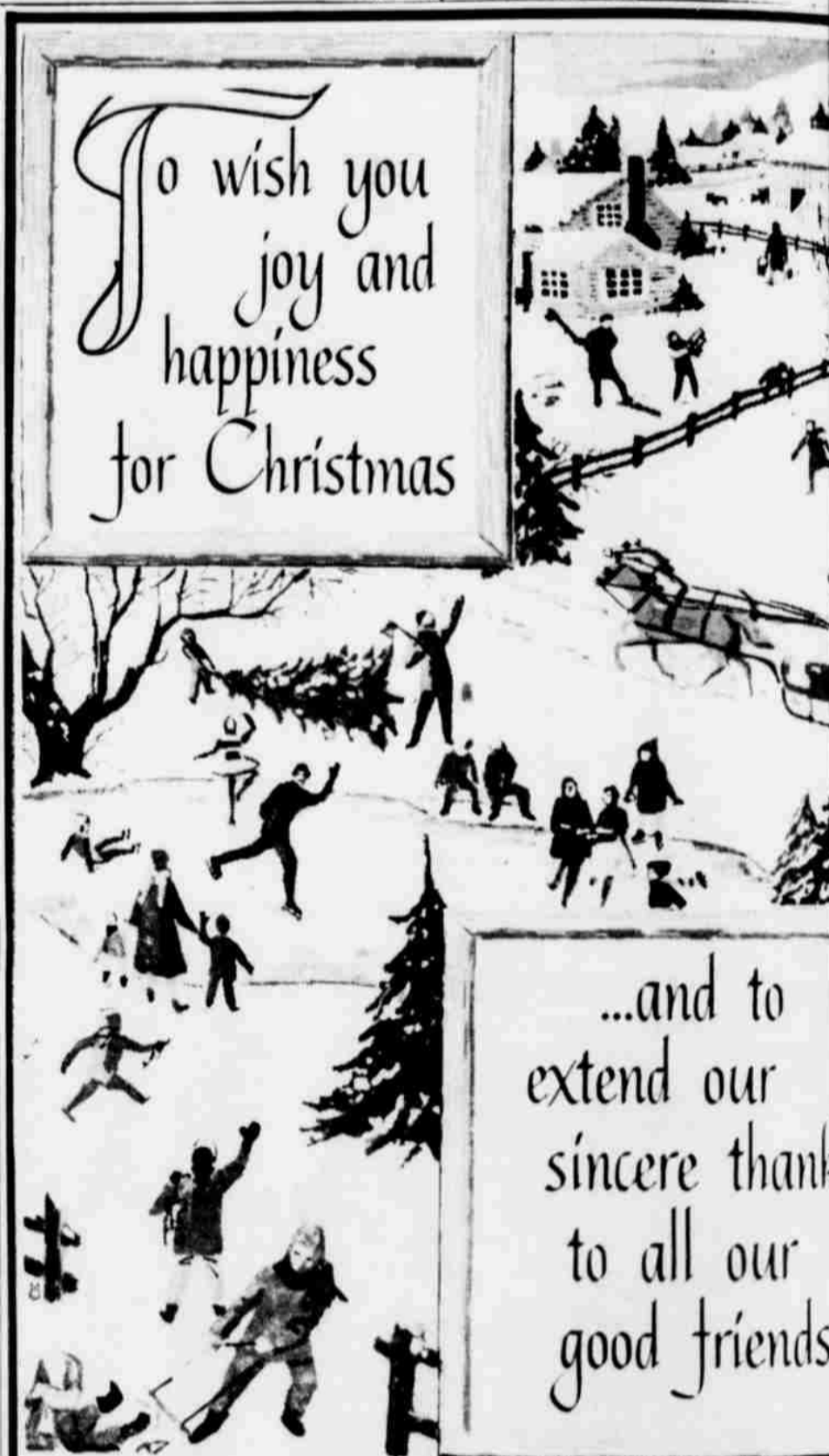


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