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He said Mr. Truman is taking an active interest in the experiment.

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HUH?

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HIM SAY THAT, AUNT DUCHES? TELL MORE, OLD TIMER!
YEP
THERE WAS BULL A FIRE IN THE BOILERS—
WORK THE FORCED DRAFT LIKE I TELL YE, LAD!
I SENT A WIRE TO V.P. WITH SMOKE SIGNALS!
THREE SHORT, THREE LONG, AND THEN THREE MORE SHORT PUFFS!

ALLEY OOP BY V. T. HAMLIN
TURN HERE LOOSE, YOU SCUM ON I'M A CONIN OVER. THERE AN' YEAH YOU APART WITH NO BARE HANDS?
COME BRIGHT AHEAD, OL BOY— COURSE, I CAN'T GUARANTEE YOU'LL MAKE IT!
BUT EVEN IF YOU SHOULDN'T WANT TO CHECK, YOU PROBABLY WOULDN'T BREAK MORE N A LEG OR SUPPIN'.
AN WHILE I'M THINKIN ABOUT IT, THANKS FOR KEEPIN' THIS AN' SO NICE AN SHARP!

All's Not Peaches in Georgia
 ATLANTA, Ga., (UP)—U. S. Department of Agriculture figures show that Georgia farmers have the fourth lowest per capita income of any farm group in the nation. Farmers' income per year in Georgia averages \$306—slightly more than one third the national farm income per capita.

May the Glorious
Christmas Season
 bring you
 Peace and happiness

Grants Grocery & Market

Mrs. O. M. Grant and Son

Christmas Card Custom Is Only 100 Years Old

Colorful Christmas cards today seem as much a part of Christmas tradition as does Santa Claus. Yet the custom of sending cheery Yuletide cards is only a little over 100 years old—and it met stubborn popular resistance during its early days.

Early Christmas card designers, back in the 1820's met widespread public ridicule. Like Fulton and his steamboat, they were accused that the custom of sending Christmas cards "could never win popular support."

...easy post offices are buried under the land lots of Christmas cards every holiday season. More than 1,000,000,000 Christmas cards will be exchanged in the United States alone this year, according to an estimate by the National Association of Greeting Card Publishers.

The first known Christmas card was designed in 1842 in London, England, by William M. A. Wood, a sixteen-year-old engraving apprentice. He printed only one hundred copies, and sent them to his friends.

His quaintly cluttered card, printed in black ink on white paper, showed a formal banquet, a party dance, skaters, and a lady in a long evening gown. Underneath the illustrations, he wrote, "A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year To You," all the most popular Yuletide greetings among an elite ever known.

The card won no fame for William Wood, and nothing is known of what happened to him when he grew up.

Some years later, in 1846, Sir Henry Cole asked an artist, J. C. Horsley, to design a Christmas greeting card for him. The drawing consisted of a decorative trellis covered with a garopine vine and two small illustrations of acts of charity plus a large panel showing a merry party, the gentlemen all wearing wineglasses tilted to the left. One thousand copies were lithographed and sent to Sir Henry's friends.

The card raised a storm of public criticism from crusaders for the temperance cause, who claimed that Sir Henry's design "promoted wine bibbing." Taught discretion, Sir Henry never issued another card.

In 1862, a London publisher, Charles Goodall & Sons, courageously began issuing cards, and they won rapid acceptance. During the intervening twenty years, Prince Albert had presented Queen Victoria with the first Christmas tree in England, Charles Dickens' jolly writings had popularized Yuletide festivities, and the stern English attitude toward Christmas had mellowed.

Meanwhile, the first Christmas cards in the United States had been published by I. H. Pease of Albany, N. Y. It was a commercial picture of a family group, toys, a Christmas dinner, a wasail bowl, and advertising Pease's



Lifeguards Carl Heller and Hazel Day hold their New Year's party where the only party crashers would be porpoises, octopi or founder. They're having a gay time on the floor of Florida's Silver Springs, with no one able to put a damper on the festivities.

The Party's All Wet

3. Keep the tree indoors as short a time as possible, with the base always under water. The water will have to be replenished frequently if the absorption is active.

4. Place the tree away from radiators, powerful electric lights, radiators or other sources of heat, and avoid the use of candles. Keep tinsel and other metallic decorations away from light sockets.

5. Remove accumulations of Christmas wrappings, and use only artificial "snow" and decorations of the flame-proof or non-burnable type.

6. Check wiring for defects and loose sockets. Turn off the lights when no one is to be in the room for any length of time. If too many tree light circuits in one outlet over load the house wiring and blow a fuse, try other outlets. Never substitute a penny or an oversized fuse.

7. In all places of public assembly, place trees away from exits and station fire extinguishers or water pails nearby. In homes, a pail of water should be kept handy.

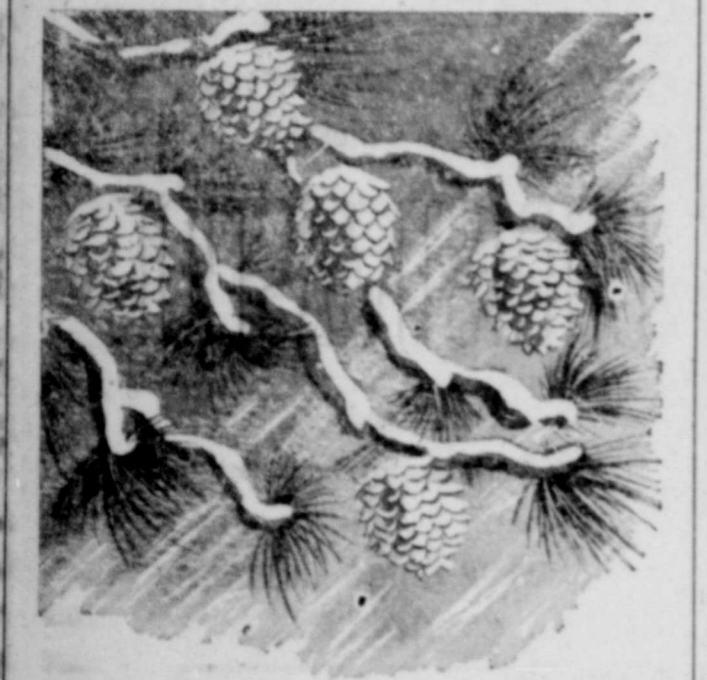
8. Dispose of old trees in fire-safe areas outdoors, because the trees burn with almost explosive violence.

Does It Hurt Hard Way
 CARLSBAD, N. M., (UP)—Bill Lewis, state policeman, took the roundabout way to radio from his car to Officer C. S. McCasland, in another state police car, 100 miles away. A station at Searborn, Mo., 200 miles away, picked up the message and relayed it when interference kept them from making direct contact.

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GREETINGS
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 with an added word of
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 all past
 favors

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Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Woods and Family



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Greetings
 May good cheer and contentment be yours on this joyous holiday.

MORRIS FUNERAL HOME
 Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Morris

Make Sure Your Christmas Tree Is Burn Proof

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—To keep Christmas trees from becoming a symbol of tragedy in the home instead of Yuletide joy, the National Safety Council today issued the following safety precautions:

1. As soon as possible after buying a tree, cut off the base of the trunk diagonally and cover it with water.

2. It is not practicable for the average user to flameproof Christmas trees with chemical solutions. Consult local fire authorities before using any commercial or homemade solutions. Be wary of trees which are sold as "fire-proof."

BARBS
 BY HAL COCHRAN

THE next thing we know they'll expect the gals to wear the old-fashioned high laced shoes. And their shins will find them out.

The vending machines will be glad to know that the government plans to retire the steel zinc wartime pennies.

In football, the bigger you are the harder they fall.

Didn't somebody overlook a bet? There's been no increase in the price of animal crackers.

Mother is REALLY going to have a time with Junior if he finds out that the American people are supposed to eat less.

To all our friends old and new...

Greetings

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Christmas Greetings

We bring to you the warmest of wishes for Christmas

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Mrs. Garrett of the Flatwood Community is visiting her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Garrett.

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Bryant are the proud parents of a son, born Sunday in a Ranger hospital.

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Garden Lore
By Ethel Brookes Gilmore

Christmas Day is past, but this legend of the cherry tree is still worth repeating.

In the year of Our Lord 540, Ethelbert of Kent, became king of England. About 575 he married Bereta, daughter of the Frankish king Charibert. Bereta was a Christian, and when Augustine and his companions landed in the Isle of Thanet, Ethelbert, prompted by Bereta invited them to his court for an interview. Ethelbert and many of his knights were converted to Christianity, by St. Augustine and his companions, who came to the conference, bearing a silver cross and a picture of Christ painted on a board. As they crossed the court yard they sang the litany. After this Christmas was celebrated each year.

Every year for ten years, the knight Sir Cleges prepared a great feast. The rich and poor were invited. When the guests left they were given gifts of robes, jewels, silver, gold and horses.

Misfortune befell Sir Cleges, and at last he had no wealth left. After this the king gave the knight Sir Cleges a great gift. On Christmas Morn, Sir Cleges was very sorrowful, because he wished to go to the feast, and give a gift to Ethelbert. His wife, "My good lord, I pray you cease to mourn."

They went out into the garden, where he knelt down to pray, then contentment came into his heart instead of sorrow. As he knelt a bough of a tree touched his head. He laid his hand on it, and behold a miracle had come to pass, for he felt green leaves and cherries. "Dear God," he said "What fruit may this be, for fruit trees do not bear fruit in the winter." He tasted the fruit and it was delicious cherries. Then he said, to his wife, "Let us fill a basket with cherries, for 'tis a gift God hath sent." "Tomorrow I will take the cherries to the king."

Before he could reach the king he had to pass the guard of the gate, a porter, and an usher. Each demanded to see what was in the basket. All agreed that the king would give him a generous reward, but before they would allow him to pass, he had to give a promise to give each a third of his reward, then he would have nothing left.

He came before Ethelbert, who said, "My good man, what is your name?" Said he, "I am Sir Cleges. I was once your knight, great king." "I have brought a rare gift, a miracle, cherries for the Christmas feast." The king replied, "You have honored my feast, my guests and also honored me." "What soever you wish I will grant." "I pray then," answered Sir Cleges, that you grant me

• NEWS FROM LONG BRANCH

LONG BRANCH, Dec. 24.—Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Jackson, who moved recently and are now living on the Walker Martin farm near Carbon were transacting business in the Long Branch community, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Maples and children, Neal, Nelda and Cherry, of Long Branch and W. L. Maples of Eastland, spent the holidays at Odessa in the home of E. V. Maples.

A large crowd was at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Poe Sunday, December 21, in celebration of that couple's 50th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lovell of Carbon visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Burnett, Sunday.

Mary Alice Bohannon drove to Brownwood for a few days accompanied by her mother and sister, Jimmie Mae.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Bohannon shopped Saturday in Gorman.

Vesta Leigh and Mary Alice Bohannon were shopping at Ranger last of the week.

John Gerhardt went to Fort Worth Tuesday to accompany his brother-in-law, who is ill, to Harris Memorial hospital.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Cain of Rising Star was buried at Long Branch cemetery, Friday.

More than one half of the population of New York State lives in the city of New York.

Test-Skidding Urged On Car Drivers

WILLOW RUN, Mich. (UP)—Under proper conditions, test-skidding an automobile is a good practice for motorists who want to avoid dangerous skids on icy roads this winter, says Charles Landers, Kaiser-Frazer project engineer in charge of test driving.

"When the road is clear in both directions, and you are driving slowly, it's a good idea to make a fairly quick stop," he said. "That may put you in a slight skid, but it will give you a chance to check road conditions as well as your brakes."

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BY GAYNOR MADDOX
NEA Staff Writer

TOMORROW'S MENU
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LUNCHEON: Spilt pea soup, thick slices rye bread, butter or fortified margarine, bologna sandwiches, fresh pears, tea, milk.
DINNER: Onion omelet, Spanish rice, buttered broccoli, French bread, butter or fortified margarine, apple brown Betty, whole milk or light cream, coffee, milk.

LOOKING for a new idea for entertaining the teen-age set—and their older friends? Then plan a sundae buffet.

The trick lies in having a variety of fruit sauces, just like the corner ice cream "parlor." Incidentally, that's where you get your ice cream in bulk.

Your pantry and refrigerator shelves can supply the makings of sauces without any advance planning. Defrost any frozen fruits, open a jar of jam or jelly, slice a banana, get out the honey and chocolate—and before you know it you have a variety of ice cream toppings to intrigue everybody. Set them all forth in small dishes and let each person make his sundae "to order." You can create others on a moment's notice by combining two or three ingredients. Here are a few suggestions:

1. Flavor chocolate sauce with a drop or two of peppermint extract, or oil of peppermint. Serve on chocolate ice cream; top with chopped nuts.
2. Thin out fruit jam with lemon or orange juice; serve on vanilla ice cream.
3. Beat juice from fresh-frozen strawberries into marshmallow whip. Spoon the berries over ice cream and top with the marshmallow sauce. Good with strawberry or pistachio ice cream.
4. Pineapple Ginger Sauce: To juice drained from can of crushed pineapple, add chopped crystallized ginger; simmer for 2 minutes. Add pineapple. Serve hot or cold over vanilla ice cream.
5. Cherry Sausage: To juice from jar of black Bing cherries, add a strip or two of orange peel; simmer for two minutes; remove peel. Add cherries. Serve hot or cold over vanilla or coffee ice cream.

Fifty strategically-located atomic bomb explosions could paralyze the United States' war-making powers and 93 well-placed bombs could, in a single attack, directly affect nearly one-half the American people, according to The American Magazine.

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