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VARIETY

By NEAL ESTES



A few poetic lines from the aged Beggar's rhyme has always impressed your writer as a kind of special spirit exhilarated at Christmas time. So we quote: "Christmas is coming, the geese are getting fat, Please to put a penny in the old man's hat; If you haven't got a penny, a ha-penny will do, If you haven't got a p'penny God, bless you!"

Stanton merchants report a good Christmas business. One store owner, JOHN ATCHISON was well pleased with his December run and suggested to us that the entire year's receipts could compare favorably with last year's sales in the last week in the month held up as expected.

The area has experienced a lot of bone-chilling weather the past week. True enough, it gets warm enough in the daytime to leave off the top coats but in the early mornings and after sundown the wind is piercing. And the first day of winter moved in on December 21. We can naturally expect some real hogg-killing temperatures in January. The reference to hogg-killing weather reminds us of our early Christmas' in North Texas. A family man who didn't have a fat hog or so to slaughter during the holiday period wasn't considered much of a breadwinner. We kept the hogs in town too. Nearly every family had a hog to fatten and kept the porker way, way back on the lot. It was our task to slop the animals and that chore could sure get messy in rainy weather up there on the backyard. I'll admit I was happy when the town council finally passed the anti-hog law.

We mentioned the fact that numerous residences have been decorated in Stanton this year in the last issue. The scene at the C. MEEK home is indeed pleasing. The Santa sleigh and reindeer anchored to the roof of this attractive home helped us pick up the Christmas spirit this year. It was nice to ride by and witness the displayed artistry of the MEEKS. The GLENN BROWNS also trimmed their house with holiday lights and the yard scene was nice. Their children at home, SUZANNE and BAXTER, undoubtedly got a thrill out of the scene and their son, GUY, home from NMMI surely enjoyed the scene too. By-the-way, one day we drove by the BROWN home and chased a stray dog out of the yard. The canine was attempting to drag the figure of Jesus out on St. Peter Street. Others with smart holiday decorations included the GUY EILANDS, DAMON BOYCES and JAMES JONES. ZELLA and JOHN GRAVES also trimmed their house in colorful lights and the EDMUND MORROW residence is indeed beautifully lighted for Christmas. Of course, our neighbors, the G. W. ALSUPS and the CLAYTON BURNAMS always have appropriate decorations at Christmas time and it gives our section of town a warm (Continued on back page)

Christmas Calm Cloaks Community

Cash Theft From Store Reported

Sheriff Dan Saunders and Chief of Police Jake Bruton advised the press Wednesday that a thief or thieves had looted the office safe and walked out with approximately \$1,800 in a daring daylight burglary at Friendly Food Store sometime Tuesday.

Alton Turner, co-owner of the store, said the money was in bills in the office safe. It was missed late Tuesday afternoon. To enter the business office at the rear of the store a person would have to go through the market. It has been assumed by officers that the burglary took place during the noon hour when the market help was out for lunch. Chief Bruton said he was working closely with Sheriff Saunders but so far no substantial lead had been picked up.

Santa Letters To Be Mailed To North Pole

All of the letters to Santa Claus that The Stanton Reporter receives after this week's paper is printed will be forwarded to the Santa's headquarters in the North Pole.

All of the children who mailed their letters too late to have them in the paper can be assured that Santa will receive the letters anyway.

If you are a merchant doing business in Martin County and were so busy at Christmas time that you forgot to send holiday greetings to your friends and customers, you are invited to participate in our New Year's edition.

An advertising representative will be delighted to call on you and display an adequately prepared New Year's message for you.

It has been customary in Martin County for many years to publish two holiday issues of The Stanton Reporter to be sure that everyone wishing to use the columns of the paper may be privileged to do so.

Facts About Roger Babson

(Editor's Note: We will carry the 1965 business and financial report in the next issue of the newspaper by the famed Roger W. Babson. We thought our readers might like some background information on the life of Mr. Babson and are therefore passing it along in advance of the coming article in this issue of the paper.)

American business has no more inspiring personality than Roger W. Babson, internationally-known business commentator and investment adviser. An outstanding feature of his philosophy has been his lifelong insistence on the importance of both religion and advertising in business. Born and reared in an old-fashioned atmosphere of hard (Continued on back page)



We weave our wreaths of pine and fir, and hang them For each heart to stir.

May your house be aglow with all the joys of Christmas. May your heart be warm with happiness and success throughout all the days to come.



Reba Kay Saunders

Reba Kay Saunders To Represent City At Rodeo

Reba Kay Saunders, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Saunders, Route Two, Big Spring, will represent Stanton and Martin County in the Sandhills Hereford and Quarter Horse Show and Rodeo January 3-8, 1966, in the Ector County Coliseum in Odessa.

Miss Saunders was selected by the Martin County Chamber of Commerce, and will be sponsored by the Martin County Sheriff's Posse.

Reba Kay, 19 year old native of Martin County, is a 1964 graduate of Stanton High School. During her high school years, she was an active member in choir, FHA, librarian, annual staff, the basketball and volleyball teams. She is presently employed as a bookkeeper at Alsup-Nowlin Chevrolet Company in Stanton.

Miss Saunders was the Martin County candidate for the Big Spring rodeo in 1962 and (Continued on back page)

County Workers Hold Annual Yule Party

Martin County employees held their annual Christmas dinner Monday, December 20, at noon in the county court room. There were 32 employees and visiting highway patrolmen present.

County Judge Jim McCoy gave the invocation. The custodian, S. E. Brags, was presented with a gift.

This is reported to be the 17th consecutive year the dinner has been served in the court house.

Merchants Use Paper For Greetings

Many merchants have used the columns of The Stanton Reporter to extend special holiday greetings to their friends and customers.

There is no better way to tell the people, all the people, you have appreciated their business. It has been customary for years in Martin County for merchants to let the people who have patronized them know (Continued on back page)

Former Stanton Man Killed In Midland Crash

A grinding one-car automobile crash in Midland about one o'clock a.m. Wednesday morning took the life of Roger Lee Long, 25, of Big Spring and formerly injured.

Critically injured was 24-year-old Elizabeth Hampton Nix, also formerly of Stanton, and Sherman D. McKaskle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ezell McKaskle of Stanton.

Young McKaskle has been stationed in Germany and is home on Christmas leave. His (Continued on back page)

The Meaning Of Christmas

"Glory to God in the highest," is the spontaneous exultant song of the angels that escaped the windows of heaven and stirred the shepherd on the Judean hills, just a stone's cast outside Bethlehem, on that memorable night when Christ was born. When God sent his son into the world, angels discovered a dimension in God they had never known before. They knew of His power and wisdom and love. But now, in the sending of His Son, they saw the spirit of self-denial in God, the spirit of self-sacrifice. When they saw God give up His only and well-beloved Son, possibly with the foreknowledge of the anguishing cross experience before them, they saw something of God they had never seen before. One does not wonder, therefore, that when all the heavenly hosts joined together to cheer Christ on in His work of redemption that they sang so loud that the shepherds heard it: "Glory to God in the highest." At this Christmas season, the editor of this newspaper sends to you tidings of great joy. During this holy month of gifts and decorations and celebrations and expressions of unselfishness, upon behalf of the staff of The Stanton Reporter I wish for each of you, our friends, and readers a very Merry Christmas — a Merry Christmas to all!—Neal Estes.

Yuletide Blessings Bountiful

Martin County residents have been busy preparing for another calm Christmas and are making final arrangements for the celebrating of the birth of Christ.

In local churches and schools special programs and parties have been held or will be held before Christmas day. Many families have planned Yuletide reunions and several residents have either gone to visit friends and relatives in other cities or will be going out of town during the holiday season.

Ken Wilson Home Lighting Contest Winner

The annual Christmas residential lighting contest sponsored by the Xi Epsilon Delta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, was conducted here Monday night.

The first place winner of contest was the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Wilson. They will receive a Ready Light, presented by Texas Electric Service Company. The Wilsons were second place winners last year.

Mr. and Mrs. James Jones won second place in the contest, and will receive a yard light from Pioneer Natural Gas Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Morrow will enjoy a steak dinner (Continued on back page)

197 Interested Persons Attend Cap Rock Party

The annual Christmas party for employees of Cap Rock Electric, Wes - Tex Telephone, and Cap Rock Refrigeration Cooperatives and their families was held Thursday, December 16, at 7:00 p.m. in the Willie Wirehand Room of the Cap Rock Electric building.

A dinner of capon and dressing with all the trimmings was served to 197 people attending.

Assistant manager, James D. Eiland, served as master of ceremonies. Minister Doyle Corder of the Stanton Church of Christ, gave the invocation.

The Howard County Junior College choir presented a program of Christmas carols, under the direction of Gary Ebensberger. Ebensberger is chairman of the music department of the college.

Manager O. B. Bryan presented service pins. Mrs. Millie Lou Henson received a service pin for 15 years with Cap Rock Refrigeration Cooperative. Employees of Cap Rock Electric receiving service pins are Nathaniel Brown, vehicle service man, for ten years; Richard Lewis, service lineman, ten years; Euel Ferguson, operations engineer, for 20 years; Sammy Houston, bookkeeper, for 20 years, and W. A. Ringener, line superintendent, for 20 years.

Rev. C. R. LeMond, pastor of the First Methodist Church, gave the benediction.

Local residents who plan to travel on the highways have been briefed on safety rules and regulations. Caution will be the watch word in the area during the Department of Public Safety's Deathwatch (Continued on back page)

Editor's Mail

PUBLISHERS FINANCIAL BUREAU
Babson Park, Massachusetts 02157

Mr. Neal Estes
Stanton Reporter
Stanton, Texas
Dear Editor:

"Thank you for your order for 'Babson's Business and Financial Forecast for 1966.' Copy will be mailed you in December, 1965.

We are sure that both you and your readers will find the Forecast of inestimable value. The article is for release on Thursday, December 30, 1965, or after.

We would appreciate it if you would send us a copy of the issue that carries the Forecast.

Best wishes to you and your readers for the coming Holiday Season.

Very truly yours,
Publisher Financial Bureau
A. I. Valle.

Stanton Boys And Girls Teams Win Local Tourney

Stanton won both divisions in the tournament held here Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The Stanton boys blasted Westbrook Saturday night for the tourney honors by a score of 68-56 and the girls won over Coahoma 46-42.

Allen Springer led Stanton with 24 points while Elmer McMahon had 23 for Westbrook. Alma Mashburn led the Stanton girls to victory with 16 points while Gina Williams pitched in 20 for Coahoma.

Tahoka defeated the Midland 'B' team, 75-50, for boys consolation honors as Mitchell McWilliams hit for 32 points. Craig Cannon had 13 for the losers.

Coahoma blasted Andrews' Varsity, 73-41, for third place, following the 24-point effort of Tony Butler. Jim Finley had 10 for the Mustang JV's. Westbrook defeated Clint, 54-43, in the girls' third place game as Darlene Langford led the way with 33 points. Juleta Gomez had 17 for Clint. Sands stopped the Stanton 'B' team, 50-30, for girls' consolation honors. Kay Sample had 25 for Sands and Brenda Holland hit for 15 for Stanton.



The Stanton Reporter Wishes You A Very Merry Christmas

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SOMETHING NEW

Orange Sherbert Brightens Eggnog For Yuletide Party

Anytime is eggnog time, but especially around the holidays we begin to make plans to informally entertain our many friends. You may have a treasured recipe for eggnog that you have served often. Make plans to add variety to your refreshments this year! Don't look any further for an eggnog recipe! Try something new. Here is just the recipe for Orange Nod — delicious, refreshing to. Another feature about Orange Nod — it is easy to make and no cooking is involved. Just beat the eggs, ice cream and milk together, then scoop orange sherbet on top and it is ready to serve.

A perfect accompaniment with this creamy rich Orange Nog is your favorite Christmas fruit or nut bread.

Orange Nod

4 eggs
1 quart vanilla ice cream, slightly softened
1 quart chilled milk
1 tablespoon grated or shredded orange rind
1 pint orange sherbet
Beat together eggs, ice cream, milk and orange rind until smooth and frothy. Pour into chilled serving bowl. Top with scoops of orange sherbet. Garnish with additional orange rind, if desired. Makes two quarts nog.

Give Professional Touch To Wrapping Gift Boxes

Ribbons and designs on gift packages are wonderful "icing on the cake" ... but they look best when the paper is smoothly and attractively wrapped around the box. Here are the steps a professional used in wrapping packages:
Place the paper face down on the table. Put the box, upside down if possible, on the paper. Place it so the design will show to the best advantage when the package is

wrapped and tied.
If the box cannot be turned upside down, cut the paper about 1/2" wider than is needed and turn the raw edge under. Arrange so that the overlaps will come under the ribbon or trim you plan to use.
Cut the paper wide enough to go around the box and overlap 1 1/2 in. (less for a very small box), and long enough to extend a little more than half the depth of the box at



TO WISH YOU A JOYFUL CHRISTMAS

Let us remember, as we celebrate His birth, that our duty to mankind is ever growing in a world that gropes for peace and understanding. With trust in Him ... and with the spirit of love, we must renew our faith and dedicate our efforts to accomplish that ideal.

Stallings Insurance
JIMMY STALLINGS

Santa Claus Letters

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a wrist watch and a doll, and a Barbie. I am 7 years old.
I love you,
Cheryl Wester.

Dear Santa:
I have been a good girl. I am nine. I want a wrist watch, and a play piano. And my brother is five. And he wants a Johnny Seven.
I love you,
Gayla Wester.

P. O. Box 497
Fabens, Texas
December 14, 1965

Santa Claus
c/o Stanton Reporter
Stanton, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:
I have been a good girl and I would like for you to bring me a "Baby Boo," a stove and a pan, and a coffee pot like Mommie's. Be sure and bring Gregg a gun. Bring Mary Lou a ring. When you go through Stanton please remember my cousins, Pam and Kerry Holcombe. Also remember my Great-Granddaddy, Mr. Glaspie. Tell Pa-Pa we would like for him to come and spend Christmas with us as Mommy and Daddy won't have much time off from work to come see him this Christmas.
I love you,
Pennie Kay Yates.

Dec. 14, 1965

Dear Santa Claus:
I have been a pretty good little girl. I want a wagon, doll, and a doll buggy. I am 3 years old.

Thank you,
Wild Bill Hickock,
(Tracey Chandler.)

Stanton, Texas
Dec. 18, 1965

Dear Santa:
I am five years old, and try to be a good boy. I would like to have a horse can truck, some animals to haul in it, and plows for my tractor, also some candy, fruit, and nuts,

the ends. This extending length will have to vary slightly according to the shape of the box and should be a trifle more for a deep box than for a shallow one. Don't scribble. Bring the paper up over the sides, overlapping as near the center of the box as possible, and fasten with a gummed seal or with tape.
Finish one end at a time. Fold the sides in smoothly. Fold the top, which is to be the bottom of the package, down first, then bring up the fold that is on the table up over all the folds, securing with tape or sticker.
Turn the box over. You are now ready to add your own special trims.

and Santa bring my Paw Paw some candy as I eat his when I visit him. Remember all the boys and girls, and my brother, Byron, and sister, Bonnie.
Love,
Bruce Hill.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a radio for Christmas. I have been a good boy. Thank you for the nice presents last year.
Love,
Terry Kelly.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a Creepy Crawler set, a Skipper and d clothes, and a Baby - First-Step. I am 6 years old and have been a good girl.
Love,
Dinah Sue Doggett

Dear Candy Claus:
This year I would like to have a drowsy doll that talks, then she could keep me company while Sissy is at kindergarten. Also please bring me a buggy to push her in. I have been pretty good this year and will try to be better next year.
Love,
Jill Simpson.

Dear Santa:
My daddy and mommy say I have been good enough for you to bring me a Baby First Step Doll and some clothes for her if you have enough to go around. I will leave some cookies and milk for you when you come to my house.
Love,
Karia Simpson.

Civil War Song Is Still Popular Yule Favorite

An enchanting, joyful little Christmas song written for some Ohio children in a time of sadness and tragedy of the Civil War, its still a top favorite of the Yule season.

The song, "Up On the Housetops," was written by Benjamin Hamby, a minister, in the Winter of 1864. First entitled "Santa Claus" when it emerged from the Chicago publishing house of George F. Root in 1866, the tune had humble beginnings.

Hamby presented it to a singing class that Winter. And for all the years since its lilt has preserved some of the traditional joy of the Christmas season.

The song was sort of a labor of love for Hamby. As a minister in the United Brethren Church, he believed music was a vital part of religion. He had argued the point so strongly he lost one pastorate at Lewisburg, Ohio. Elders had balked at his mild progressiveness. Strict followers of the church creed opposed installation of an organ in the church. It was sinful, they ruled.

So strong was Hamby's belief that music and religion belonged together, he rented a storeroom in New Paris, Ohio, moved in a n organ, blackboard and some crude benches. Children came once a week for a songfest, after which Bible readings and prayer sessions were held.

Like most ministers, Hamby had little money. Hence, when he needed a "fresh" song for his weekly class, he would write one. That's how "Up on the Housetops" had its origin.

Root's Chicago music house burned to the ground and with it all records of Hamby's song. People continued to sing "Up on the Housetops" but the song usually carried the credit "author unknown." After Hamby's death in March, 1867, his family gained proper credit for their husband and father.

"Oh, oh, oh, who wouldn't go!"
"Oh, oh, oh, who wouldn't go!"
"Up on the housetops, click click, click"
"Down through the chimney with good Saint Nick."

Hamby taught this portion of the song first, and then the children learned four verses. New Paris fairly rocked in song as the children went home. The song "Santa Claus" was firmly established locally. Roots' publication brought national acceptance.

Hamby wrote 68 songs during his lifetime of 33 years, including "My Darling Nellie Gray" and the hymn, "Who is He in Yonder Stall?"

Hamby's home at Westerville, Ohio, has been restored.

A Merry Christmas to all!

Celebration Of Christmas Was Once Illegal In U.S.

Celebration of Christmas — the most widely observed religious holiday of the modern world — was at one time illegal in early American history.

Colonial New England did not celebrate Christmas, according to researches at Compton's Pictured Encyclopedia, because the stern Puritan colonists believed that such activities were wholly pagan and forbade them by law. Christmas came to the American colonies while it was the subject of strenuous controversy in England. English Puritans condemned it a "popish" and the secular celebration as a "wanton Bacchanalian feast."

Opposition of the English puritans to festivals culminated in an act of Parliament in 1657 which abolished the observance of Christmas, Easter and Whitsunide. This was echoed in the American colonies in 1659 when Puritans enacted a law in the general court of Massachusetts to punish those who "kept Christmas."

The law read "Whosoever shall be found observing any such day as Christmas or the like, either by forbearing of labor, feasting, or in any other way ... shall be subject to a fine of five shillings."

The law was repealed in 1681 but many of the Puritans were not reconciled to this act. Secular reveling at Christmas had often interfered with religious devotions and offended the Puritan's moral sense. This intensified their sectarian hostility to the religious observance of Christmas — an attitude they maintained for the better part of two centuries in parts of New England.

The fun-loving Dutch colonists of New Amsterdam, however, celebrated Christmas as their chief holiday. They brought the old customs from their homeland, especially the Christmas stocking

and observance of the feast day of St. Nicholas.

In the Southern colonies, the planters celebrated the yuletide with feasting, singing, and dancing. On many plantations slaves were given a holiday as long as the great yule log burned.

The latter half of the eighteenth century saw a swing to attention of the realm of economics and politics and religious controversies became of less importance. The fact that English and Hessian troops celebrated Christmas during the Revolutionary War may have added a patriotic note to the denominational controversy.

General Washington crossed the Delaware River on the night of December 25, 1776, to surprise and defeat the Hessian troops stationed at Trenton, N. J. In the opinion of one writer, Washington's bold venture succeeded be-

cause the Hessians were enjoying their customary Christmas revels and failed to maintain the usual watch and patrols.

In the twentieth century, all denominations have embraced Christmas widely both as a religious and as a social celebration. Today, men, women and children in every Christian land crowd into churches to give their thanks. More than one fourth of the world's population — about 800 million people profess some form of Christian faith.

The splendor and beauty of Christmas observances is very different from the humble stable in Bethlehem where Christ was born; but the message He brought to the world is the same — "Glory be to God in the highest; and on

earth, peace, good will toward men."

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PERSONALS

Carroll Anderson a student at Texas Tech, is visiting his family and friends over the holidays.

Darrell Thompson of Texas Tech College, is visiting his family and friends over the Christmas holidays.

Lynch Hightower is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Prentiss Hightower, and friends, for the Christmas holidays. Lynch is a student at Texas Tech.

Marva Cox, a student at Texas Tech, is visiting her family and friends during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Souval Britton, Cindy and Porky, will be in Dumas Christmas day visiting their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Eddy Avery, and children, Laurie and Brad.

earth, peace, good will toward men."



Christmas is a time for family and friends ... for exchanging gifts and greetings ... for a spirit glowing with good will. May we express our thanks, with best wishes for a happy holiday.

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HAMILTON OPTOMETRIC CLINIC
AND
PRESCRIPTION LENS LABORATORY
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A tree full of gift ideas for better living ... Electrically

Christmas shopping can be so easy when you visit a store that sells electric appliances. You'll find dozens of beautiful and useful electric gifts — including such favorites as percolators, toasters, blankets, frypans, roasters, waffle makers, clocks and radios. From this wide choice you're sure to find something for everyone on your list. This year, give better ... electrically, with a gift that will add comfort and convenience to daily living. See your electric appliance dealer soon.

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CECIL BRIDGES, Manager SK 6-3371

Holiday Desserts Feature Walnuts In New Recipes

Sure as there was an orange in the top of your grandmother's Christmas stocking, a handful of walnuts were — and still are — as traditional to the holiday season as holly wreaths.

But the walnuts we use are a far cry from the ones grandmother cracked — and probably even less like the ones grown in ancient Persia where they were reserved for the royal table.

Walnuts have a long and

glamorous history. Sometimes not so glamorous, maybe an English herb specialist writing in 1551 recommended walnuts for "The byings both of men and doggies."

They were first grown in the Middle East, and were gradually carried to Greece, Rome and the Mediterranean countries.

Today, most of our walnuts come from California where they were first planted by Spanish missionaries. About

140 million pounds are produced annually.

A bowl of walnuts with a nut-cracker beside it on the table still reflects the friendly warmth of the holiday hospitality. And another pleasant custom that has come down to us is that of small packages of goodies to give a favorite neighbor or relative.

The holidays are a time of special desserts as well.

Christmas Walnut Roll
1 1/4 cups chopped walnuts

- 1 cup small-sized marshmallows cut in half
- 1/4 cup red and green maraschino cherries, quartered
- 1 cup dates, sliced
- 1/4 cup graham cracker crumbs
- 1/2 cup orange juice
- whipped cream
- Walnut halves

Combine all ingredients except whipped cream. Turn out on a large sheet of aluminum foil. Shape into the size of roll desired. Wrap in foil and chill overnight. Cut into slices to serve. Mixture is rich. Small portions are suggested.

Top each slice with fluff of whipped cream; decorate with walnut halves. Makes eight to 12 servings, depending upon size of roll, and portions preferred.

Tiny Tim Apples

- 1 cup (7 1/2 oz. package) pitted dates
- 1 cup seedless raisins
- 8 oz. dried figs
- 1 cup walnuts
- 1 tsp. grated orange rind
- 1 tsp. orange juice

Put fruits, walnuts and grated orange rind through food chopper, using coarse blade. Add juice and knead until well blended. Shape into "apples" about 1 inch thick. Roll some in finely chopped walnuts, some in powdered sugar. Insert whole cloves for "stems" and citron pieces for "leaves."

No-Bake Walnut Balls

Mix together 2 cups vanilla wafer crumbs, 1/2 cup granulated sugar, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon, 1/2 cup chopped maraschino cherries, 1 cup chopped walnuts. Add 1 teaspoon lemon juice, 3/4 cup sweetened condensed milk. Form in balls. Roll in sugar and trim with walnut halves.

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR SUBSCRIBERS, MERCHANTS, AND FRIENDS!

First Christmas Card May Date From 1839

When were the first Christmas cards sent?

Christmas greetings were exchanged as long ago as 1839, according to Rust Craft Publishers, Dedham, Mass., who recently purchased what is believed to be the oldest known Christmas card in existence for its antique greeting card collection.

Made of delicate paper lace and measuring four by two and three-quarters inches, the card reads: "A Merry Christmas to You" on the front. On the back, in fading but still legible script is written: "A Happy Christmas to My Mother Dear, 1839."

The card was discovered by a New Haven, Conn., rare book dealer between the pages of an old Bible received in a shipment of books from England. It was made by the London firm of Windsor and Pearce whose existence at that time has been verified by the Guildhall Library in London.

For a number of years it was believed that the first Christmas greeting cards were sent in 1843 by Sir Henry Cole, an Englishman. Cole commissioned a famous English artist, J. C. Horsley, to do a design for him and on it he had printed: "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

He had 1,000 cards printed showing a friendly family gathering in progress with the older members of the family holding up their wine glasses in a toast to the person to whom the card was intended.

This aroused some criticism even though panels to the left and right showed the charitable acts of "clothing the poor" and "feeding the hungry." Puritans frowned on the central theme of the card and others criticized the card for showing children at the same table with wine drinkers.

Despite the criticism, however, Cole was acclaimed for starting the custom of sending Christmas greetings and he was eventually knighted for it.

A collection of skating prints and drawings presented to the British museum in

1931 revealed a Christmas card which was dated 1842, predating the Cole-Horsley card by one year. It was a painting by a 16-year-old artist named William Maw Egley. The museum officially recognized the card as the first and turned an uninterested ear to the Horsley group who claimed that the date after the artist's name was not clearly 1842 and could easily be 1848 or 1849.

About Mistletoe

There's more to mistletoe than the excuse to invite a kiss from a pretty girl.

The white-berried plant actually is a parasite, often killing off trees that play it host. In recent years Australian foresters resorted to flame throwers to kill off the plant in some wooded areas. The popular promoter of Yuletide romance has a bad habit of sapping the water and mineral salts from the trees, starving them to death.

The mistletoe does serve one useful function in the outdoors, however, as it provides a winter food supply for mockingbirds, robins, and waxwings. These small birds are responsible for the spread of the tree-damaging parasite. After eating the berries, the birds clean their beak on the trees, firmly planting the mistletoe seeds they do not eat. The tap root of the seedling pierces the tender young branches or buds — and the tree sap is drawn into the thick leaves of the guest plant.

Thus the mistletoe plays dual characters and at least according to one superstition, can change from one character to another in the twinkling of an eye. For instance, if the Yuletide mistletoe bough isn't removed from a house by Candlemas Eve (February 1), each leaf will produce a goblin to plague the careless occupants during the year.

Flickering Glow Of Las Luminarias Is Traditional Christmas Rite

The flickering golden glow of Las Luminarias, the little fires, once again is a part of the centuries-old tradition of New Mexico's celebration of the birth of Christ.

The present day use of luminarias evolved from the state's Spanish heritage. As New Mexico has changed, so has the luminarias, which today are sand-filled paper sacks containing a candle.

The lighting of the luminarias generally is an eagerly awaited one-day event, which comes on Christmas Eve.

Folk tales have it that the luminarias were the tiny, lonely fire of shepherds the angels visited to tell of the birth of Christ.

Experts on New Mexico history have found this sequence in the evolution of the little fires of Christmas.

First, there were the pinon sticks, pitch-filled, which were laid in a pile and lighted to begin a novena (nine-day devotion) to the Virgin Mary.

Nine days before Christmas, one pinon pile was lighted; the next night two; then three; and then one added each night until nine were burning on Christmas Eve. Spanish women among the early white settlers of New Mexico are believed to have followed the tradition of the little fires.

But during times of fiesta they wanted lanterns rather than fire to brighten their patios.

Luxury goods were beginning to find their way into the Spanish frontier about that time, wrapped in the silk-like paper of China and the Phil-

ippines. Although too fragile to hang like a lantern, the paper could be made into beautiful shapes.

The women put a candle inside, piled sand around the paper and set the lanterns on the walls and parapets of their flat-roofed homes.

Then came the American traders, bringing with them brown paper sacks of merchandise. The material for the little fires.

The modern luminaria is made of a brown paper sack with up to four inches of sand in the bottom. The top of the sack is folded down for a couple of inches to give a firm double layer that will not whip around in the wind.

A short, fat candle that will burn for about 15 hours is placed on the sand in the center of the sack.

There is little danger of fire since the candle is shielded by the sack anchored by sand and strengthened by the double fold.

The flat-roofed Pueblo style architecture common in New Mexico is perfect for using luminarias in decorating. The sacks are placed on the horizontal parapets to outline the walls of the home. Homeowners also border their walks and driveways with the little fires.

The name "Christ" comes from the Greek word for "Messiah."

The followers of Christ first received the name "Christians" at Antioch, Syria. One of the first Christian communities outside Palestine grew up there.



Christmas Greetings

Trimming the tree, hanging up stockings, exchanging greetings... treasured moments for all of us at this festive time. May we wish you many such moments, and a happy holiday.


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In the Spirit of Christmas

Let us turn our thoughts to the first Christmas and capture in our hearts all the peace, love and understanding of that Day.

In the true spirit of Christmas, we wish you a happy and holy Day and pray that the blessings of the season will truly be yours.

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Peace at Christmas

Joy to the world... the Lord has come! May the spirit of love and understanding the Christ Child inspires each Christmas remain in our hearts in days to come... leading us ever closer to the realization of peace on earth... good will toward men. Merry Christmas, everyone!

STANTON ELECTRIC
TULL RAY LOUDER

The Stanton Reporter Wishes You A Very Merry Christmas

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Ronny Johnson Enters Lambs In Stock Show

Ronny Johnson of Stanton, will have lambs in competition at the 1966 Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, January 33 through February 6.

W. R. Watt, Fort Worth Stock Show president and manager, expects the final list of 1966 livestock entries to top the 1935 record of over 11,000.

Exhibitors and spectators wanting to take in the Fort Worth Stock Show Rodeo will find more emphasis on "Action." Under the production of Tommy Steiner and Associates the rodeo will feature plenty of "All Star Rodeo Action."

In addition to the fast paced rodeo excitement Watt has lined up an outstanding selection of entertainment features.

Mail order ticket applications for the 1966 edition of the "World's Original Indoor Rodeo" are now being taken at the Southwestern Exposition



New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Maker announce the arrival of a daughter, Linda Kay, born Saturday, December 18, in Midland Memorial Hospital. The young lady tipped the scales at six pounds and six ounces and she and her mother are reported doing nicely and will be home from the hospital this week.

Dr. and Mrs. R. D. Watkins of Laramie, Wyoming, were Saturday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Jones.

Janis Morrison, a student at Lubbock Christian College, is visiting her family and friends over the holidays.

and Fat Stock Show, P. O. Box 150, Fort Worth, Texas 76101.

Sale, Newman Enter Steers In Open Show

Bobby Sale and Tommy Newman of Stanton, will have Hereford steers in the Open show in competition at the 1966 Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, January 28 through February 6.

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Cindy Britton's Buffalo Bananza

Seasons Greetings!

The Student Council sponsored the High School Christmas party Monday night in the S.H.S. cafeteria and gym. Volleyball and basketball were played in the gym, and there was music in the cafeteria. Admission was either a child's toy or fifty cents. The toys and money collected go to a needy family.

The Homemaking II and III Classes presented a style show Monday morning during activity period in the auditorium. The narrators were Beverley Clements, Brenda Standefer, and Cindy Britton.

The girls modeled the garments they constructed during class. They chose matching accessories.

The Speech and Drama II Class presented a one-act comedy, "The Brute," by Anton Chekhov, Tuesday morning during activity period. The characters were: David Hicks as Mr. Smirnof; Sandra Jones as Mrs. Popoff; and Larry Haggard as Looka.

Bobby Sale, a student at Texas Tech College, will be visiting his family and friends for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Rush of Lubbock, will be visiting their friends and family over the holidays.

The Future Physicians Club met Monday with Mrs. Carolyn Tanis, sponsor. The F.P.C. will work in cooperation with the Science Club and act as host to a science program to be held in the near future.

There has been much excitement at S. H. S. this week, since the seniors photographs

James Jones Is Honored On His Birthday

A birthday dinner for James Jones, Mrs. Wilmer Jones, and Juggy Britton, was held Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Juggy Britton. Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. James Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Forrest, Jann and Jill of Big Spring, Mrs. Wilmer Jones, and Mr. and Mrs. Juggy Britton.

Trade at home and save!

Christmas Announcement!



Because of the wonderful people in this community we have been able to expand our facilities. We are happy to announce the opening of our dining room area. We will strive to continue to give to you the service that has made your faith in us possible.

It is our sincere wish that every man, woman, and child in Martin County have a joyous, healthy and satisfying Christmas. We send best Yuletide greetings.

During the holiday season we wish to cordially invite you to come and eat and visit with us and throughout the New Year make our place of business your favorite place to eat and to meet your friends.

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Season's Greetings

One of the special joys we find at Christmas time (along with trimming the tree and exchanging gifts) is reflecting on all the wonderful friends we have...and wishing each and everyone of you a most delightful holiday season.

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Season's Greetings

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Midland Firm Stakes Two Drill Sites

Hancock, Berry & Benedum of Midland has staked two new drilling projects in the Gordon Street, South (lower Wolfcamp) reservoir in Northwest Glasscock County.

No. 1 - A Houston - Poe is scheduled to drill to 10,400 feet for tests of the lower Wolfcamp formation and all possible producing zones higher.

It is one mile south of production in the field pay, eight miles southeast of Stanton, 1,000 feet from north and west lines of section 8, block 35, T-2-S, T&P survey.

No. 1-37 Flora Rogers Estate is projected to a possible total depth of 10,000 feet as a 3/4-mile north outpost to the field.

It is six miles southeast of

Hospital News

Physicians Hospital And Clinic

Hospital admittances for the week of December 13 through December 19:

Mrs. Alicia Paredz, James Mashburn, Kevin Johnson, J. M. Shy, Mrs. Lorena Nichols, Mrs. Gracie Hanson, Mrs. Pauline Graves, Mrs. Ellen Cornelius, Lewis Moore, and Mary Kathryn Bristow of Stanton. Mrs. Thresa Sutton and baby, Mrs. Julie Massey and baby, and Mrs. Jerry Weatherford of Midland. Mrs. Zeida Bennett of Ozona.

Guy Brown of the New Mexico Military Institute, is home this weekend visiting friends.

Stanton, 1,000 feet from south and east lines of section 37, block 36, T-1-S, T&P survey.

Mrs. Cross Is Club Hostess

The Stitch and Chatter Club met in the home of Mrs. H. J. Cross Wednesday, December 15, at 3:00 p.m. for the Christmas party.

After gifts were exchanged, refreshments of cake and coffee were served to Mrs. Lillie Harvard, Mrs. Clayton Burman, Mrs. Ruth Holloway, Mrs. Martin Gibson, Mrs. Dovie Allen, Mrs. Arthur Wilson, Mrs. Oma Womack, Mrs. Hatlie Estes, Mrs. A. J. Stallings, Mrs. Edmund Morrow, Mrs. J. D. Poe, and one visitor, Mrs. Bess Henderson.

Charles Wesley, brother of John Wesley, wrote the words to "Hark! The Herald Angles Sing!" in 1739. In his first version the carol began; "Hark, how all the welkin rings," according to World Book Encyclopedia.

Use the classified ads!

Beta Sigma Phi Activities

The Xi Epsilon Delta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Aiene Kelly for a covered dish supper and Christmas party on Thursday, December 16 at 7:00 p.m.

The group played games, and prizes were awarded to winners. Christmas carols were sung. Phi pals were revealed, and members drew for next year's pals. Gifts were exchanged.

Those attending were: Vivian Ferguson, Peggy Walker, Helen Ruth Louder, Dallas Thompson, Bert Schwabe, Lois Powell, Corene Manning, Helen Thraikill, Margaret Rouchee, Zella Graves, and Aiene Kelly.

The Mu Lambda chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Tuesday, December 7, at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Jean Koonce. After a short business meeting, Dorothy Pinkston, presented the lesson, "Our Own Home." Millie Lou Henson presented the lesson, "Pleasures of Possession - The Collector." Cherry cottage pudding with hot spiced tea and iced tea were served to Mmes. Allie Anderson, Obara Angel, Buehlah May Hall, Sissy Harvard, Millie Lou Henson, Wanda McIntyre, Tince Ory, Dorothy Pinkston, Bonnie Faye Sorley, Crystal Webb, and Jean Koonce.

The Mu Lambda chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Monday, December 13, for a salad supper and Christmas party in the home of Bonnie Faye Sorley. Gifts were exchanged.

Those attending were: Judy Driver, Danella Parnell, Allie Anderson, Obara Angel, Buehlah May Hall, Sissy Harvard, Millie Lou Henson, Wanda McIntyre, Tince Ory, Dorothy Pinkston, Bonnie Faye Sorley, Crystal Webb, and Jean Koonce.

The Preceptor Mu Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Thursday night, December 16, in the home of Mrs. Stanley Reid for their annual Christmas party. A salad supper was served and a short business meeting was conducted by the president, Mrs. Glenn Brown.

Gifts were exchanged from a beautifully decorated Christmas tree, and Phi Pals revealed.

After opening the gifts, cake and coffee were served by the hostess, Mrs. Reid, to the following members: Mmes. P. M. Bristow, Glenn Brown, Helen Dawson, Glenn Gates, Bob Latimer, Elmer Long, Louis Roten, Jess Talton, Leo Turner, John Wood, J. N. Woody, Jr., and Miss Sammie Woods.

The Rho Xi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi held its annual Christmas party in the home of Edwina Tom, Thursday, December 16 at 7:30 p.m.

Nona Cain presented the program on "Absolute Music." The group exchanged gifts.

A salad supper was served to Joyce Bergstrom, Sara Blocker, Fiji Brandt, Wanda Bryan, Nona Cain, Johnnie Conner, Mona Elmore, Patsy Jones, Clauden Sorrels, Edwina Tom, Linda Bess Angel, Patricia Miller, and transferree, Nita Graves.

Mr. and Mrs. Valton Laird and son, Richard, formerly of Stanton, and now living at Trippli, Lybia, North Africa, where Laird is an electrical instructor for the Oasis Oil Co., will be in Stanton to visit Laird's mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. George Shelburne, on December 26. While in the states, the Lairds will visit in Savana, Ill., in the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Deidman, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Odell of Weatherford, Mrs. Laird's parents, and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Butler of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Houston and Tommy of Walden, Colorado, and Ronnie Houston, a paratrooper in France, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Hancock, Margie and Bill, of Denver, Colorado; Mrs. Beth Fowler, Edison and Chuckie of Denver, Colorado, and Mrs. Charles Nellis and baby, of Geneva, New York, are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Houston for the Christmas holidays.

Plastic honeycombs may prove useful in helping control fouldbrood and other bee disease, according to Texas A&M University experts. Plastics can be sterilized after each using by boiling.

Santa Claus Letters

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 5 years old. I have tried to be a good boy. Would you please bring me a Super Helmet 7, a Secret Spy Case, Tiger Roar, or just anything in my stocking.

We will leave a snack for you.

Thank you,
Love,
Robert Cox.

Dear Santa:

I am 17 months old and I try to be a good little girl when my brothers don't bother me. Please bring me a Tiny Tears doll, a Fisher Price T.V., a Teddy Bear, or anything. I am very excited about Christmas, and love the pretty Christmas tree.

Thank you,
Love,
Jonama Cox.

Dear Santa:

I am eight years old, and in the third grade. I try to be good most of the time. For Christmas I would please like to have a transistor radio, a camera, and B.B. gun, or anything that you give me.

Thank you,
Love,
Morgan Cox.

P.S. - We will leave a snack for you.

Dear Santa:

I want a Big Bruiser, a Duffey's Daredevils, and a bucket truck.

I've tried to be a good boy. I've got some cookies waiting for you.

Love,
Gary Barnes.

Box 1034
Stanton, Texas
December 19, 1965

Dear Santa:

I have been a good girl. I would like for you to bring me a wrist watch, a tressy, a pair of roller skates, and some fruit and candy. I will leave you some coffee and cookies.

Love,
Peggy Barnes.

Golden Agers Met In Home Of J. Stewarts

The Golden Agers met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stewart for their annual Christmas party Saturday, December 18, at 7:00 p.m. Thirteen of the 22 members were in attendance.

Progressive 42 was the main entertainment. Everyone enjoyed talking of by-gone events in the past years. Some members of the group went

Local Couple Observes Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kelly of Stanton, observed their 50th wedding anniversary, Sunday, December 19, with a celebration held in the Cap Rock Auditorium from 2 to 5 p.m., with 66 attending.

Their children served as hostesses for the Golden Anniversary. They are Mr. and Mrs. Owen Kelly, and Mr. and Mrs. Benny Kelly of Houston. Their grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Kelly, and Mr. and Mrs. David Pinkerton also served in the house-party along with their sons and daughter-in-laws. Two great-grandchildren were also present, Dawn Kelly, and Dana Pinkerton.

The centerpiece on the registering table held a traditional wedding couple, with a styrofoam wedding rings arrangement. The refreshment table was gold and had the wording trimmed with gold lace, was centered with an arrangement of yellow mums sprayed with gold and had the wording, "50th Anniversary," and held three large wedding bells, given by the Sam Kelly family of Electra. The wedding cake made similar to a Bible, had the wording, "Happy Anniversary, Walter and Stella Kelly, 1915-65," also held the names of their two sons, Owen and Benny Kelly. The lettering on the cake, I Cor. 13:13, and now abideth faith, hope, love, these three, but the greatest of these is love. Cake and yellow punch were served.

The honoree couple and the entire family of Mr. and Mrs. Kelly, wore white carnation corsages, and boutonnières. Mrs. Walter Kelly wore a gold wool dress. Her corsage held two wedding bells. She wore crystal jewelry.

The gifts were on display and viewed by those attending.

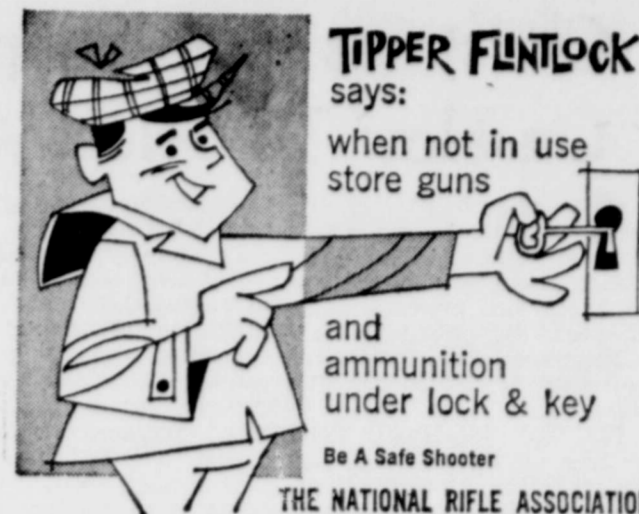
Walter and Stella came to Martin County with their families in 1907. They live on the farm they purchased in 1922. Walter has farmed and stock farmed all of his life. His son, Owen, and grandson, Bobby, are doing the farming now.

Their family numbers four grandchildren, two great-granddaughters, and twin step-granddaughters.

Vienna, Austria is planning a new music college.

to school together.

A covered dish supper was served to Mr. and Mrs. Finley Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. M. I. Yell, Roland Myrick, Lois Powell, Fiji Brandt, J. D. Livingston, Irvin Myrick, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stewart.



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Merry Christmas

When Santa unloads his gift-laden pack at your home, we know that you'll find our many good wishes tucked into your every happy treasure! Tho' we can't personally greet each of you at this time — we extend to all of our friends this warm-hearted wish that your Christmas Holiday will bless you with all of life's good things!

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Christmas Tree Shoppers Informed On How To Select An Evergreen

Everyone's busy getting ready to observe the year's climatic event — shopping, baking, entertaining, mailing packages and greeting cards of good will, planning surprises, and participating in activities of the church and community.

But Christmas really won't be here, at least in the eyes of eager children, until the light-spangled Yuletide tree is in place, towering over gaily wrapped gifts.

Fragrant Christmas trees, still fresh from the forest, brings nostalgic memories of Christmases past, for most of us.

Future generations will have a similar memory, though few will recall the happy occasion of selecting the family tree from the "back 40," and the exhilarating hazards of wax candles amid the

inflammable boughs, those days are gone.

Shapley Specimens

But folks who have the job of raising Christmas trees are providing plenty of shapley specimens, many gracefully graded for quality by USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service. Wholesale prices vary greatly, depending on quality and species selected and distance from growing areas.

There are three main grade classifications. U. S. Premium designates the very finest. Other grades are U. S. No. 1 or U. S. Choice, and U. S. No. 2 or U. S. Standard.

Use of these standards is voluntary with folks in the trade, so you may or may not notice the grade designation on the tree you buy.

Typical Characteristics

But if you buy a U. S. Premium tree, AMS graders will

have determined that it possesses characteristics typical of the species. It will be fresh, clean, healthy, well-trimmed of not less than medium density, and it will have a normal taper, with each of the four faces free from damage by any cause.

A tree grader U. S. No. 1 or U. S. Choice also is a high quality tree. It will have at least three faces free from damage. Specifications for U. S. No. 2 or U. S. Standard trees will be fresh, fairly clean, well trimmed, or light or better density candle-stock, normal or flaring taper, and with two adjacent faces free from damage by any cause.

Graded On Freshness

Freshness means much in grading Christmas trees. You want a tree that has pliable needles, generally firmly attached. Ordinarily, the "handle" length should be about one-twelfth of the tree's height.

Growing and selling Christmas trees is an important industry in this country. In 1960, domestic production was estimated at about 31 million. In addition 11 million were imported, mostly from Canada. The total provides enough for one tree for every household in the nation.

Bulk of the trees produced are balsam fir, black spruce, Douglas fir, red cedar, Scotch pine and white spruce, although all evergreen species do the job nicely.

Let Santa Get Child Started

Why not let Santa start your tiny tot on the road to good grooming?

The secret lies in making cleanliness seem like a game. A d d grown-ups' grooming tools to the toys and candy in the Christmas stocking. They'll delight a child who likes to imitate parents but wants things of "his very own."

Personalized washcloths, towels and colorful cakes of deodorant soap can make washing a treat. This is a good time for youngsters to learn the benefits of soap, whose germicidal ingredients help protect against infections in the scrapes and cuts to which small fry are prone.

Many other small items make suitable stocking gifts. A color-coordinated toothbrush, comb, natural-bristle hairbrush and nail brush are fun and easy for a child to identify. But be sure the bristles are not too stiff for tender young skin and gums. For a little girl, you might add a bath powder mitt and, of course, the prettiest possible shower cap.

As a tiny miss grows, she likes something a little more sophisticated.

A first-grader might like a manicure set (no-color polish), hand lotion and junior-grade scents. Shampoo, bobby pins or clips and rollers will give the near-teen a head start in learning to care for her hair.

To a small child, the sight of a bulging Christmas stocking is irresistible. And what better way should there be to rouse interest in grooming?

Gay Icing Trims A Cake Tree

Tree trimming time is occasion enough for this Tree Cake. And it's easier to do than the satin bow on a special present.

You start with a rectangular cake of your choice — one of your own recipes, or a prepared cake mix — baked

three inches thick or in two layers to make a 3-inch-thick finished product.

If, for example, your cake is 9-12 inches, cut off a slice 9x2 inches from the short side. Cut this in half (4½-2 inches). Slice the remaining 9x10 portion diagonally, and arrange the diagonal pieces back to back along their 10-inch sides to make a triangle.

Now, at the bottom center, place the 4½x2-inch pieces to form the 4x4½-inch tree base section. With a knife, cut out branch indentations along the sides of the triangle.

Cover the assembled tree with a generous amount of lightly tinted green frosting, using your favorite butter frosting. With a toothpick, sketch in "Merry Christmas" lettering and outline it in cake decorating gel in tubes, such as Cake-Mat Gel. All branches using the plastic writing tip on tubed green icing.

Fashion the poinsettia on the base using the interchangeable plastic leaf tip on a tube of red icing, or your own icing in decorating tube. The flower's center is a short squeeze of yellow icing, using a star tip.

Green decorating gel may be added to the branches, or green icing may be used as it is used for top and bottom borders. Other icing decorations may be added as your imagination please.

Mr. and Mrs. Weems Williams of Lubbock, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Turner, and Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Williams of the Courtney community.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Caulder of Longview, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Thraillkill, over the holidays.

Elizabeth Pickett, a student at Sam Houston State College, is visiting her family and friends for the Christmas holidays.

Helen and Bud Glaspie of Lubbock, will be visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Glaspie, Jr., Christmas.

WOODY'S

We want to thank each and everyone for your patronage in the past and are looking forward to serving you in the future.

And To Extend Our Last Wishes For A MERRY CHRISTMAS And A Wonderful NEW YEAR.

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Tax Man Sam Sez:

During the past few years there have been quite a few taxpayers who went to Internal Revenue and confessed that they owed more tax. These folks felt that the computer would catch up with them so they came in to pay off to try to stay out of jail.

You don't need to worry about the computer if you have been honest in preparing your tax returns and paying your taxes. If you are worried, the sooner you straighten up your tax affairs the better off you are. It's usually better for you to confess tax cheating than to have Internal Revenue accuse you of tax fraud.

FLAVORFUL Three Pies For Holiday Enjoyment

Here are three holiday pies that are deliciously different and intune with the season. Chess pie is from old England, while the spicy nut-raisin pie and the vinegar pie are early American. Their unique flavors are perfect for the Winter holidays. Try them on your family and friends and be prepared to serve second helpings.

Prepare your favorite pie shell recipe and then select one of the following fillings:

NUT-RAISIN PIE

3 eggs
½ cup sugar
¼ pound butter
1 cup mixed nuts (peanuts and walnuts)
1 cup steamed seedless raisins
2 tablespoons vinegar
1 teaspoon nutmeg
½ teaspoon cinnamon
½ teaspoon cloves
¼ teaspoon salt
½ cup sugar

Separate egg yolks and whites. Cream together egg yolks, butter, and sugar. Mix nuts, steamed raisins, vinegar, nutmeg, cinnamon, cloves and salt, and add to egg yolk mixture. Beat egg whites stiff and slowly beat sugar into white; fold into other ingredients. Pour into unbak-

CHESS PIE

½ cup butter
1½ cups sugar
½ teaspoon vinegar
1½ teaspoons corn meal
3 eggs

Melt butter, add sugar slowly, and stir. Remove from heat. Add vinegar and corn meal and cool slightly. Beat eggs slightly and add to mixture. Pour into unbaked pie shell and bake one hour. Take from oven when filling is just set. Yield: One 9-inch pie.

VINEGAR PIE

2 egg yolks
2 cups water
½ cup vinegar
1 tablespoon butter
¾ cup flour
1½ cups sugar
½ teaspoon lemon extract

Combine egg yolks, water, vinegar, and melted butter. Mix flour and sugar and stir into the vinegar mixture. Add lemon extract and pour mixture into unbaked pie shell. Bake in very hot oven, 450 F., for 10 minutes. Then reduce heat to 350 F., and bake 20 to 30 minutes longer. Cool. Yield: One 8-inch pie.



OLD-FASHIONED Christmas Wishes

With thanks for your many favors and friendship, we extend our heartfelt wishes that your holidays may be rich in the joys of a real old-fashioned Christmas.

Mason Coggin
County Commissioner Precinct Two



Silent Night

Let us share in the wonder and joy the shepherds felt that first Holy Night when angels brought their glad tidings of peace, good will toward man.

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Frozen Foods Star Holiday Entertaining

The Yule season, more than any other, abounds with "open house" invitations when friends make their rounds to share in the holiday spirit.

The hostess is called upon to set the pace for the merry-making and provide for refreshment. As your turn comes, why not plan something novel — a "supper of miracles"? With frozen condensed soups and frozen individual dessert pies, you can turn simple fare into elegant imagination. This is what you do.

In years past, what ordinarily would have been a time-consuming task now becomes a minute chore as you take 5-ounce mince and pumpkin pies from the freezer and bake them about 30 minutes. Cool. Before serving, place a tiny Christmas decoration on the golden-crust mince pies — a pair of tinkly bells, a colored ball, etc. Group the pies around a brightly glowing candle on a gold or silver tray for a small conversation piece and delicious dessert.

As each frost-nipped guest finds his way to the buffet table, greet him with a bowl from 2 frozen condensed soups, bright yellow corn and a touch of green parsley, this is a chowder which finds itself at home in your best tureen. Here is the recipe:

Yule Chowder

10¼-oz. can frozen condensed cream of potato soup
10-oz. can frozen condensed cream of shrimp soup
1 cup milk
1 cup water
½ cup cooked whole kernel corn
1 tsp. chopped parsley
4 drops Tabasco

In saucepan, combine all ingredients; heat. Stir now and then. Makes 4 to 5 generous servings.

Carelessness could turn a holiday wreath of happiness into one of grief.

Joining a nationwide campaign against such tragedies are four million youngsters, members of the Junior Fire Marshal Christmas safety program.

Here are the rules the 8 to 10-year-old Junior Fire Marshals practice and preach:

1. Use gasoline powered airplane models out of doors, away from flame.
2. Exercise care in using chemistry sets, paying particular attention to directions in mixing chemicals.
3. Check with fire depart-

Young Fry Work For Safe Yule

Carelessness could turn a holiday wreath of happiness into one of grief.

Joining a nationwide campaign against such tragedies are four million youngsters, members of the Junior Fire Marshal Christmas safety program.

Here are the rules the 8 to 10-year-old Junior Fire Marshals practice and preach:

1. Use gasoline powered airplane models out of doors, away from flame.
2. Exercise care in using chemistry sets, paying particular attention to directions in mixing chemicals.
3. Check with fire depart-

ment officials regarding safety of missile sets before using.

4. Periodically check plug-in electrical toys for frayed wiring. Never set them up or use them under Christmas tree.

For tree safety: Stand tree in water or bucket of wet sand away from radiator, fireplace and doors. Use only fire resistant decorations, checking lights for frayed wire, loose sockets.

Turn off lights when leaving house. When needles begin to fall, take the tree out of the house.

The National Society for the Prevention of Blindness has a word of warning to parents buying toys: Avoid playthings with sharp edges; watch out for inflammable toys or costumes, mechanical toys with exposed springs or gears, or poorly-constructed playthings.

A Merry Christmas to all!

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Greetings

Stanton Chemical And Seed Co.
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The Christmas Story

(Birth Of Jesus—Luke 2:1-19)

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. An 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.

An 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 about them; and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings and 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 heavenly host praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest, 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 even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto 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.

But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in

her heart.

(Flight To Egypt—Matthew 2:1-23)

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem.

Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.

Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born.

And they said unto him, in Bethlehem of Judaea; for thus it is written by the prophet,

And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the last among the princes of Juda; for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel.

Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared.

And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.

When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring the word; for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him.

When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt:

And was there until the death of Herod: that might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son.

Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding wrath, and sent forth, and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the coasts thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently enquired of the wise men.

Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying,

In Rama was there a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children, and would be comforted because they are not.

But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeareth in a dream to Joseph in Egypt.

Saying, Rise, and take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead which sought the young child's life.

And he arose, and took the young child and his mother, and came in the land of Israel . . . and dwelt in a city called Nazareth.

The Stanton Reporter Wishes All Of You a Merry Christmas.

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Carolers Where Once Dancers

The first Christmas carols were danced to, according to Encyclopedia International. Carolers took hands and former a ring, singing as they went round.

Oldest of all carols, it has been said, was that sung by the heavenly host when the birth of the Saviour was announced to the shepherds on the plains of Bethlehem. Probably, the practice of singing carols at Christmas arose in imitation of this, as the majority of carols declared the good tidings of great joy, and the title Noel, nowell or novelle, applied to carols, would seem to bear out this idea.

Birthday News . . .

"Nowell" or "Noel" means birthday news or a "shout of joy" for the birth of Christ.

The earliest carols were songs of the nativity, the incarnation and the Annunciation. Later, ones on shepherd themes and the Epiphany were composed, and there were also many of folk origin on the festivities of the Christmas season.

These later included such songs as "The Holly and The Ivy." Many of the surviving old carols were originally part of the medieval mysteries and miracle plays.

First In Latin . . .

Christmas carols first were written in scholar's Latin. The Blessed Jacobone of Todi, of the Franciscan order, led the way to a wider enjoyment and appreciation of joyous Christmas songs by writing musical poems in the language of the common people.

The saint, who lived from about 1230 to 1306 A.D., had a good precedent for his interest in carols in St. Francis himself. To St. Francis is traced the creation of the first creche or manger scene, in 1223 A. D. Villagers gathered around the scene and sang hymns to the Christ Child.

"The Boar's Head" . . .

"The boar's head in hand bear I, Bedecked with bays and rosemary."

"The Boar's Head Carol," source of this quotation, appeared in the first collection of English carols, printed in 1521 and is still sung on Christmas Day at Queens College, Oxford.

Other colleges of Oxford had their own versions of the same song. "The boar is dead; lo, here is his head," remarked the carol sung at St. John's, while "The boar's head in hand I bring, With garlands gay and birds singing" was the version heard at Balliol.

Even in early times, the "boar" romantically referred to as traditional at the feast was probably a pig. The wild boar is believed to have been extinct in Britain early in the 12th century.

Feast Of Stephen . . .

"Good King Wenceslas looked out on the feast of Stephen."

This familiar carol commemorates two famous men.

St. Stephen has been released from Medical Arts Hospital in Big Spring.

Nancy Robnett is home from Texas Tech for the Christmas holidays.

Get In Step For Christmas

Make Christmas a "mistletoe time" — rather than a "mashed toe" time — by shopping in well-fitted shoes, suggests Fannie Brown Eaton, Texas A&M University extension specialist in clothing.

You can breeze through to Christmas Eve without a whimper if you choose proper fitting footwear, she adds.

This season's shoe styles will happily fall in with your plans for pain-free shopping seasons, spokesmen for Leather Industries of America have emphasized. There are a r t l i g h t w e i g h t leather boots, booties, pumps, ghillies and other styles to put both fashion and comfort on busy feet.

Leather's unmatched malleability assure shoppers a shoe custom-formed to the foot's contours. Since it is an animal covering, leather has pores which permit continuous intake of fresh air and expiration of moisture.

Fashionwise, the American woman is happily in bondage to the boot. While new styles and leather put chic in her shopping, shearing linings take the shivers out. Leather boots braving the battle of buyers include youthful below-calf "Courreges" boots — in white and colors; slim knee-high boots in suede or smooth leathers, and dashing booties in a variety of leather textures ornamented with cuffs, fringe, buttons or lacing.

A new grained leather provides a special stain-resistant finish to boots as an extra measure of easy care. Mud marks can be wiped away with a damp cloth.

The latest in leather walking shoes are well-equipped to weather the shopping wars. Ideas fresh from the designer's desk are found in lovely pumps of hand-stitched or antiqued leather, mid-heeled T-strappers, two-textured slip-one and gay ghillies and other tie-types.

So, if you don't have a pair of comfortable walking shoes, make the shoe store your first stop as you shop. With your mind off your feet, your gift buying will become a more pleasant task, Miss Eaton emphasizes.

One is King Wenceslas, who ruled in Bohemia in the 10th century A. D. He was noted for his generosity to the poor, and practiced this generosity on Christmas and on St. Stephen's Day, December 26.

St. Stephen was the first Christian martyr, noted in legend as a follower of Christ who, at the time of the Nativity, had been in the service of King Herod. When he was permitted to see the Star, he left Herod to serve the Child.

Today the "feast of Stephen" is remembered primarily because of the carol, "Good Wenceslas." His day is now more commonly observed, especially in England and Canada, as Boxing Day, when presents are given to servants and others who have rendered services throughout the year.

The entire staff of The Reporter wishes everyone a Very Merry Christmas!

Skills Are Put To Test During Holidays

It's Christmas time — with decorations to get out and put up, gifts to select and wrap and holidays feasts to prepare. During the holiday season, managerial skills are really put to the test, emphasizes Mrs. Gwen Ciyatt, extension consumer marketing specialist at Texas A&M University.

Actually, the art of managing the food budget is probably practiced with more diligence before Christmas than at any other time of the year, she says. It's during the pre-holiday season that homemakers save that surprise gift for Hubby or for special stocking stuffers for the children.

"All of this just goes to prove that careful selection and watching for good buys can ease the food budget any time of the year — and especially at the holiday season," Mrs. Ciyatt adds.

Beef prices have made no significant change from a week ago. To economize, look to slow-cooking chuck roast and various rolled roasts, stew meat, Swiss steaks, ground meat for meatloaf and similar uses is an easy-on-the-budget buy. Country pork ribs and pork steaks are among the most economical choices in that meat.

For additional economy, look to canned luncheon meats and prepared chili. Fish sticks and portions, anned tuna and red salmon offer variety at reasonable prices.

Frying chicken is a good choice at most markets. Turkeys should be relatively good values. Egg prices are about the same as last week.

Hardy root vegetables — such as carrots, dry onions, potatoes, sweet potatoes, turnips and rutabagas — hold a dependable price in local stores. Other good choices are

Glass Bubbles Provide Yearly Family Industry

The fragile bubbles of glass with which we adorn our Christmas trees are largely a family industry in Europe, especially Germany, and also in Japan.

In the tiny villages that cling to the steep mountainside, whole families engage in the process of turning out Christmas decorations.

Special shapes and designs are the exclusive properties of certain families, the patterns handed down from father to son, for centuries unchanged.

Using a flame, the father carefully blows the thin glass tubing to the desired shape with the aid of an iron mold. His son removes the hot ornament to the cooling table.

Next the mother silvers the inside, and the daughters apply painted designs.

cabbage, squash, celery, Brussels sprouts, broccoli, and cauliflower.

Citrus top the list of fruits. Apples, grapes, and pecans are other good buys.

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Greetings

May the joys of the Holiday Season surround you and your family and linger long in your home and in your heart, to brighten the day that lie ahead. A Merry Christmas to everyone!

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The Stanton Reporter Wishes You A Very Merry Christmas

THE STANTON REPORTER, THURSDAY, DEC. 23, 1965

The Launching Pad

By NEAL ESTES

CHRISTMAS is a time for old friends, and many of them are on the bookshelf, those well loved friends that made the holiday season complete. Once again the time is here to renew our acquaintance with familiar pages, to recapture from them the spirit of Christmas years ago . . . and to realize that in so doing that though times may change, the pattern of Christmas does not. This reassuring constancy of Christmas, its very sameness year after year, century after century, is indeed something to be treasured. At once we know which of these friends to turn to first . . . surely to DICKENS and the PICKWICK PAPERS, and Christmas at Dingley Dell. The Pickwickians are described as well wrapped in great coats, shawl and comforters as they journey in the coach down to Dingley Dell where "the candles burnt bright, the fire blazed and crackled on the hearth, and merry voices and light hearted laughter rang through the room." Of course there was a fine dinner, and music and dancing and MR. PICKWICK was kissed under the mistletoe and MR. WARDEL told a ghost story. The "Old Christmas" by WASHINGTON IRVING is a delightful account of a Christmas visit to the Yorkshire Manor house which he calls Bracebridge Hall, and the excitement of these Eve-of-Christmas journeys, gift-giving and all the festive moments that goes with Christmas. No doubt the most-read story is the beloved "Night Before Christmas" by CLEMENT C. MOORE. It starts "Twas the night before Christmas when all through the house, not even a creature was stirring—not even a mouse. The stockings were hung by the chimney with care in hope that St. Nicholas soon would be there."

THIS column wants to be among the first to call upon JUSTICE of the SUPREME COURT WILLIAM O. DOUGLAS to resign. In our personal opinion, DOUGLAS should never have been appointed. His third marriage to a woman three times younger in 1963 was a foolish act in our opinion. JOAN CAROL DOUGLAS has asked to be shed of SWEET WILLIAM by divorce degree. She also wants her maiden name restored thereby forever putting DOUGLAS out of her life. She charged cruel treatment and personal indignities in her petition. The American people can claim the same treatment from DOUGLAS as a member of the Supreme Court due to participating in the removal of prayer in the schools. The continued domestic disturbance in W. O. D.'s life undoubtedly renders him emotionally unfit to assist in rendering anymore Big Court decisions in our opinion.

NEWSPAPERS of the death of a former Stanton man, and the serious injuries inflicted on two other well known residents, shocked this Christmas-minded community Wednesday morning. ROGER LEE LONG, formerly employed in Stanton and employed by a Big Spring funeral home, was killed instantly when the new car he was driving crashed in Midland in a warehouse area about 1 a.m. Wednesday morning. ELIZABETH HAMPTON NIX, age 24, was a passenger in the car and was critically injured. She is the daughter of MR. and MRS. MARVIN HAMPTON formerly on Stanton. SHERMAN McKASKLE, son of MR. and MRS. EZELL McKASKLE of Stanton was the third person in the death car. His injuries were described as light.

WE were glad to see BANKER JIM TOM uptown this week after having been released from the hospital in Midland. MR. TOM has been associated with the FIRST NATIONAL BANK for many years and we have always admired his good banking policies and

Baptist Church Activities

The Homemakers Class of the First Baptist Church met Thursday, December 9, at 2:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Paul K. Jones, for the class Christmas party.

Mrs. Raymond Louder, president, called the meeting to order. Mrs. Virgil Brothers presented the devotional taken from Luke 2, verses 8-11. Mrs. John Pinkston was in charge of the games.

After gifts were exchanged, refreshments of cranberry punch, cookies, candies, and frosted strawberries were served to Mrs. Leslie Stripling, J. T. Davis, Leslie Stripling, Clyde Geruin, Ruth Holloway, Jake Bruton, John Pinkston, W. T. Wells, Raymond Louder, O. O. Dickenson, N. L. Rigan, Paul K. Jones, and P. Y. Allen, the guest.

The Bethany Class of the First Baptist Church, met in the home of Mrs. Oma Womack for the Christmas party. Mrs. Clements gave the devotion. Refreshments of hot tea and cake were served after the group exchanged gifts.

Those attending were Mrs. Harry Billington, Lila Flanagan, Lillie Harvard, Eueda Towery, Warner Haney, W. L. Clements, and Oma Womack.

George W. Knox, Tarzan, has reported the sale of one registered horned Hereford bull to Richard H. Knox, Midland.

Mike Black, a student at Texas Tech College, is home for Christmas.

Christmas - - -

(Continued from page 1) period.

With peace lacking in the world and with many area residents touched by the absence of a loved one now in the armed forces in foreign lands, Stanton people are looking forward to a quiet, calm Christmas. Family gatherings around the table and tree will be the appropriate manner of celebrating Christmas.

May your Christmas be blessed with brightness.

A Merry Christmas to all!

along with other friends miss him when he is away from the president's desk at FIRST NATIONAL.

WE are very happy to announce that not a single merchant refused our invitation to buy a Christmas ad in this issue of the paper. We didn't get around to everyone but all of those we personally contacted responded with appreciation for the opportunity to tell their friends and customers how much they appreciated their support at this season of the year.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

Please return pie plates to Currie's Cafe. East Highway 80. 12-52-ltc

42 Club Met In Jones Home For Annual Party

The local 42 Club met for their Christmas party Friday, the home of Mr. and Mrs. the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Jones.

The group played 42 and exchanged gifts. Refreshments of fruit cake, nuts, candy, and coffee were served to Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Eiland, Mr. and Mrs. Pinkston, Mrs. J. R. Sale, Mrs. Evelyn Woodard, Mr. and Mrs. James Jones, and guests, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Burns.

4-H Club Activities

The Four Leaf Clovers met December 15 in the home of Mrs. Homer Schwalbe for the Christmas party. They exchanged Christmas gifts, and had refreshments, of decorated Christmas muffins and punch.

Those present were Debbie Mayfield, Doris Allen, Deborah Hazlewood, and Nelda Wells. One visitor, Amy Hazlewood, and leaders, Mrs. H. Schwalbe, and Mrs. Cliff Hazlewood, Jr.

Merchants - - -

(Continued from page 1) of this sincere feeling at the Yuletide.

Some merchants elected to use the Christmas issue for messages and others prefer to send greetings for the New Year in the next issue of the newspaper.

An advertising man will be around to solicit your copy for the December 30 issue of the paper.

If you were out of town, sick, or for some reason missed the Christmas edition, and want something in the way of a New Year's greeting to your friends and customers call SK 6-3344 and a representative will call on you for your copy.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Koonce will be in Independence, Missouri, for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Bryant are visiting their friends and families over the Christmas holidays.

Thadd Koonce of Lamoni, Iowa, is visiting his family and friends for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Snodgrass, Jr. were in Shamrock over the weekend.

Rebekahs Party Held Christmas

The annual Christmas party for members and their families of the Rebekah and Odd-fellow Lodge was held Thursday night, Dec. 16, at the IOOF Hall, when a salad supper was held.

The entire lodge hall was decorated with poinsettias, holly and lighted arrangements of colored bulbs. Gifts were exchanged from a silver Christmas tree.

A skit was presented, "The Last Degree." Taking part were Mr. and Mrs. Mason Coggin, and Mrs. Clayton Burnam. Mrs. Granville Graves, announced the program. A Christmas carol sing-song was held with Mrs. John Wilkes, Jr. at the piano. Forty-two was played.

Ken Wilson - - -

(Continued from page 1) for two from Currie's Cafe, due to their winning third place. The Morrow's won first place in the contest in 1963, and honorary mention in 1964.

Fourth place winners, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn L. Brown, received two cases of Dr Pepper from the Tri-City Bottling Company.

Those receiving honorable mention were Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Cox, and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Burnam.

Judges of the contest were Mrs. J. Woodford Sale, Mrs. B. H. Hicks, and Mrs. George T. Gylmn.

Helen Thralkill, chairman of the contest, wants to thank the Chamber of Commerce, Texas Electric Service Company, Pioneer Natural Gas Company, and the many other merchants and residents who made the contest a success.

Variety - - -

(Continued from page 1) feeling. The editor used a lazy man theme this year. We just wrapped a yard post with a candy striped deal and tossed a string or two of lights through the honeysuckle hedge. We put up a tree on the inside of the house and our beloved young beagle, LYNDON BAINES, got out of his room one night and enjoyed "opening" some of the packages under the tree. We turned a kind of SENATOR DIRKSEN barrage of oratory loose on our pet but he just whimpered and dashed under our bed. And when you weigh 200 pounds and have to get down on your hands and knees and try to coax a balky puppy out where you can get your hands on him, it is absolutely futile. Futile that is — until you change the tone of your voice. LYNDON wouldn't come out either until we started quoting that passage about reasoning together from the Book of Isaiah.

Former - - -

(Continued from page 1) injuries were described as not being as severe as those of Mrs. Nix. Mrs. Nix was reportedly visiting a sister in Midland.

Hospital attendants in Midland advised that the injured woman had been placed in an intensive care unit and that her injuries were critical.

The dead youth was driving a 1965 automobile in the warehouse district of Midland when the accident occurred, investigating officers said. The car was demolished. McKaskle was thrown clear of the rolling, crashing car, but Long and the woman passenger were pinned in the vehicle, officers said.

Midland police stated that they learned of the accident when a cruising police car spotted a cloud of dust and thinking it was smoke went to the scene to investigate. There the officers found young McKaskle walking around in an apparently dazed condition and he led them to the wreck site, where they discovered the body of Long and the injured Mrs. Nix in the car.

Facts - - -

(Continued from page 1) work and hustle on a farm in Gloucester, Mr. Babson went to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Upon graduating, he turned instinctively to financial and business activities in which his father was engaged.

His exertions, however, undermined his health; he contracted tuberculosis and he was sent West "as good as dead." It was while he was convalescing from this dread malady that he worked out some of the possibilities and problems of business forecasting. His weekly releases are used by over 400 newspapers and his financial reports by 20,000 corporations and estates. His research work is carried on by a large staff of experts.

Mr. Babson founded Babson Institute for Men; and, in cooperation with the late Mrs. Babson, developed Webber College for Women — both nationally-known educational institutions. Here young men and women may concentrate on the fundamentals of honest and efficient business administration. Later, he founded a Midwest Institute of Business administration, located in Eureka, Kansas, the center of the United States. He has been active also in the establishment of other mediums of service to the public, such as the Gravity Research Foundation, located at New Boston, New Hampshire.

Mr. Babson has probably done more than any other man to create among his millions of newspaper readers an interest in simple business problems, and to install a broader vision in businessmen, enabling them to meet the ups-and-downs of the business cycle.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Snodgrass, Jr. were in Shamrock over the weekend.

Season's Greetings

To the best friends a business firm could possibly have — our many loyal customers — we say Thank you for your patronage and our best wishes to all of you For A Happy Holiday Season!

Rhodes Motor Co.
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Merry Christmas

As the Three Wise Men sought and found, so may all of our friends find the greatest measure of joy in this holy season. . . .

Spencer Blocker Insurance Agency
107 W. ST. ANNA
PHONE SK 6-2132
And LO 3-1377

Season's Greetings

As shepherds watched their flocks . . . a star shone brightly in the hush of a holy night . . . a Babe was born in a manger . . . and a new spirit of peace and Good Will came into the world. May that spirit abide with you and your family now and always.

DEAVENPORT'S

Exchanges Cheerfully Made

SHIRT TOO SMALL — BELT TOO LITTLE — STOP IN MONDAY, DECEMBER 27th JOIN US FOR COFFEE AND DOUGHNUTS. WE'LL GET THE RIGHT SIZE FOR YOU.

DEAVENPORT'S

The Stanton Reporter Wishes You A Very Merry Christmas

Last-Minute Cookies And Candy For Christmas

There are many excellent ideas for last-minute cookies and candy, if you've waited until now to bake.

Here are several fine ideas for Christmas baking.

CHRISTMAS CRISPIES

1 cup shortening
1 cup light brown sugar, firmly packed
1 cup sugar
2 eggs

1 teaspoon vanilla
2 cups sifted flour
½ teaspoon baking powder
½ teaspoon salt
2 cups quick-cooking oats
1 package (6-ounce) semi-sweet chocolate pieces
¼ cup shredded or flaked coconut

20 to 24 (4-ounce jar) maraschino cherries, finely chopped
Cream together the shortening and sugars. Add eggs and beat well. Sift together and add the sifted flour, soda, baking powder and salt. Add remaining ingredients. Drop by teaspoon on greased cooking sheet. Bake in hot gas oven, 400 F., 10 to 12 minutes. Makes about eight dozen.

YANKEE DOODLE FUDGE

3 cups sugar
1 teaspoon soda
Dash salt
¼ cup light corn syrup
1 cup buttermilk
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 to 2 cups chopped pecans

Combine in large saucepan sugar, soda, salt and corn syrup and stir in buttermilk. Cook over medium gas flame, 225 to 250 F. dial setting on controlled burner, stirring until sugar dissolves. Continue cooking, stirring occasionally, until small amount forms a soft ball in cold water, 234 F. Remove from flame. Cool without stirring until lukewarm. Add vanilla. Beat until creamy. Stir in pecans. Drop from teaspoon onto waxed paper or spread in greased

9-inch pan. When cool cut in squares. Makes about 40.

SOUR CREAM DROPS

2 cups sifted flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
½ teaspoon soda
½ teaspoon salt
½ cup shortening
1 cup light brown sugar, firmly packed
1 egg, beaten
½ cup seedless raisins
½ cup sour cream
1 cup chopped walnuts

Sift together flour, baking powder, soda, salt, and nutmeg. Cream shortening and brown sugar. Add eggs and raisins and mix well. Add dry ingredients to sugar mixture alternately with sour cream. Stir in walnuts. Drop from teaspoon on greased baking sheet. Bake in hot gas oven, 400 F., 10 to 12 minutes. Makes about 4½ dozen.

In Russia

Russian children hang up their stockings on New Year's Eve, in anticipation of Grandfather Frost's visit. Though Communists eliminated the religious celebration of Christmas, they allowed the chil-

PARTY SUGGESTION

Pineapple And Cranberries In Two-Tone Salad Mold

Now that the holiday season is just around the corner, and you're entertaining more frequently, new salads are much in demand. There are many times when individual molded salads will fit into your party plans.

Golden pineapple tidbits and scarlet cranberries are featured in these two-tone molds. The bottom layer is a combination of cranberry-orange relish in raspberry flavored gelatin. The top layer is a subtle combination of pineapples, cream cheese and chutney encased in lemon gelatin.

If you're looking for extra elegance to add to your holiday table, these Pineapple-Cranberry Salads will provide both glamour and palatability.

PINEAPPLE CRANBERRY MOLDS

1 cup fresh cranberries
½ unpeeled orange, de-

seeded
½ cup sugar
1 package (3-ounce) raspberry-flavored gelatin
2 cups boiling hot water
¾ cup cold water
1 package (3-ounce) lemon-flavored gelatin
½ cup syrup from pineapple
2 (3-ounce) packages cream cheese
Tablespoon fresh lemon juice
¼ cup chopped chutney
2 cups drained pineapple tidbits
1 apple, sliced
Salad greens
Grind cranberries and orange together. Add sugar and set aside. Dissolve raspberry flavored gelatin in 1 cup boiling water; add the cold water. Chill till syrupy. Dissolve lemon-flavored gelatin in second cup hot water; add pineapple syrup. Cool slightly. Soften cream cheese with lemon juice. Gradually add cooled lemon-flavored gelatin a little at a time, until mixture is smooth. Chill until it will mound slightly. Fold in chutney, 1 cup pineapple tidbits. Spoon into about eight individual molds or custard cups. Chill firm. Blend cranberry and apple into thickened raspberry gelatin. Spoon over firm white layer. Chill firm. Unmold and garnish each salad with salad greens, pineapple tidbits and a few pomegranate seeds, if available. Makes 6 to 10 salads, depending on size of molds.

IN NEW ZEALAND

Not all living Christmas trees are spruce or fir. In New Zealand there's one called "Christmas tree" that doesn't even need decorating—it blossoms with its own red flowers. The tree earned its name since it blooms in December and January.

TALLEST TREE

Tallest Christmas tree? In the U. S. the title probably goes to the Indianapolis, Ind., "tree"—the Soldiers and Sailors Monument. At Christmas the 246-foot structure is decorated with electric candles and stars.

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In Holland

Dasher, Dancer, Prancer and Rudolph would cause no excitement in the Netherlands, where children believe that a horse pulls St. Nicholas' sleigh.

The great horse is named Sleiþner, and the Dutch children fill their wooden shoes with hay for him. This gives

him energy to get St. Nick to every house.

IT'S A HOLIDAY

First of the United States to give recognition to Christmas Day as a legal holiday was Alabama, in 1836.

An Illinois lake stocked with 127 sunfish, contained 67,700 of the fish within three years.

Rudolph Of The Red Nose Adds To Fame Of Santa's Reindeer

"Now, Dasher! now, Dancer! Now Prancer and Vixen! On, Comet; on, Cupid! on, Donner and Blitzen!"

Here, just as Santa said them, are the names of the "eight tiny reindeer" who drew his "miniature sleigh," according to Clement C. Moore in his poem "A Visit from St. Nicholas."

But, since Moore wrote his poem in 1823, Santa must have added some new reindeer. It's certain that he has at least one famous sleigh-puller not mentioned in the poem — the red-nosed Rudolph.

A Merry Christmas to all!

Rudolph made his first public appearance in 1939, in the song, "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," with words and music by Johnny Marks.

The story of Rudolph, whose red nose made him first a joke and then a hero, seem to have the indefinable appeal that make a Yuletide tradition. As the other reindeer in the song predicted, when Rudolph's red nose led the team through a dark, overcast Christmas Eve, it seems likely he'll go down in Yuletide history, a permanent part of the legend and lore of Santa Claus.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



The carolers, with voices raised in joyful song, express our sincere good wishes for all our friends and patrons. You have made our year a happy one, and it is our hope that we've enriched yours.

STANTON WALGREEN DRUG



FRIENDLY Christmas Greetings

We take pause from everyday routine to celebrate the Christmas holiday. And we welcome this opportunity to extend our warmest wishes and thanks to all. Hope your Day is a happy one.

W. W. Atchison



Christmas in our community is a special time, when friends and neighbors get together, and time spent with our families is precious. May we wish you a Christmas season that's filled with joy and love.

MERRY CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Henson Grocery
DORIS And BOB COSTY

The Stanton Reporter Wishes You A Very Merry Christmas

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Ornaments For Christmas Of Shining Aluminum Foil

It's easy to make shining colorful Christmas ornaments by folding aluminum foil like a fan.

To make a fan double fold standard foil to make a strip four inches wide by 2 inches long. Use two or more contrasting color and design Christmas tapes and tape them to the foil along the folded edge. Pleat the foil, tape the cut end of the foil together and open out the fan. Tie on a little spring of flowers and ribbon from old hat trimmings.

To make a pinwheel double fold standard foil to make a strip 5x12 inches.

Use two or more contrasting color and design tapes and tape them to foil along both the folded edge of the foil and also at the cut edge. Pleat the foil.

Fold a small piece of tape in half and secure around the center of the pleated strip. Now open out the join ends so that they meet, taping

them together to form a pinwheel.

An angel also can be made. To form an angel double fold standard aluminum foil to make a strip 7x12 inches. Use two or more contrasting color and design tapes and tape to foil along the folded edge. On cut end, measure down three inches on each side and cut diagonally up toward the center. This will form a triangle at the top. Place tape along this triangle edge. Pleat the whole length of foil. Cut down center pleat from point three inches.

For the angel's head, insert pipe cleaner in small Christmas ball; attach a round foil halo. Place pipe cleaner between pleats with Christmas ball at base of opening in foil. Pinch foil together around Christmas ball and secure with tape. Open out the wings and skirt. Use a small piece of wire or ribbon to attach to tree.

Know What Toys To Buy For Certain Ages

The toy you give with joy in mind may instead cause frustration, tears, even injury unless you choose it to suit the child's stage of mental development.

So claims Dr. Emma Sheehy, professor emerita of child development at Teacher College, Columbia University.

"Play is the serious business of childhood," says the doctor who heads the Toy Guidance Council's advisory committee. "The right toys at the right age level are a child's tools of learning and play a major role in his development."

The first requisite for playing Santa Claus to the youngster on your gift list is to double check their ages.

Toys For Infants

A baby puts everything in its mouth. Toys should be safe to suck, easily cleaned, and without loose parts that might be swallowed. He is developing his sense of touch, likes to feel different textures. Toys to squeeze, bite, shake, and hear.

One To Two

The toddler has gained control over his hands and fingers. He enjoys nests of blocks, simple take apart toys, push and pulls, floor trains.

When the child has learned to walk, toys on wheels or rockers stimulate further muscular development. Shortly before the second birthday

children develop a joy in rhythmic sounds. They like toy musical instruments and picture books with bright pictures.

This age group has gained proficiency in using muscles. The two-year-old will build a block tower and place pegs expertly in holes. He loves to screw and unscrew simple things; likes toys he can manipulate. The two-year-old usually prefers to play by himself, loves to imitate grownups by using miniature house-keeping equipment, and doctor and nurse sets. Western costumes, rocking horses and holsters have appeal at this age.

Girls love to put dolls to bed, shampoo doll hair and put doll clothes on and off. Whell toys are popular.

Four To Six

Interest in playing together begins. Simple games are popular. Kitchen equipment, furniture and miniature tools have great appeal. Creative play activities are of interest such as finger paint, crayons, and paper dolls.

Roller skates, a coaster wagon, a sidewalk bike, or scooter will be welcomed.

Six To Eight

Boys show a tendency to play with other boys; girls with girls. Dramatic and imitative is favored now: electric trains, miniature racing cars,

Origin Of Carol Is Lost

We probably never will know the story behind the carol which — according to statistically-minded authorities — is sung more than any other single carol throughout the world: "O Come, All Ye Faithful." It is lost in the mists of time.

Certainly it is one of the earliest forms of carols, taken from a Latin canticle, either by medieval British or French monks. The tune to which it is sung today was first published in 1751 in a collection known as "Cantus Diversi."

From its original Latin, the carol has been translated into 120 languages, among them all the European, Scandinavian, and Slav tongues, Chinese, Japanese, Swahili, Malagasy, Urdu, Korean, Melanesian and Polynesian.

There are at least 40 English versions of the words, but the best known is that by Frederick Oakley:

O Come, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye,
to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him,
Born the king of angels,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord.

Sing choirs of angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing all ye citizens of Heaven
above,
Glory to God,
In the highest,
O come, let us adore Him,
etc.

Holly History

The traditional Christmas colors of red and green stem from the use of holly for decorative purpose. Davey tree experts advise that the holly if often called the Christ thorn because its leaves supposedly represent the crown of thorns. Thus when used for Christmas decoration it is usually fashioned into a wreath symbolic of the crown.

simple scientific toys, carpentry and model buildings all are popular. A wide variety of crafts is now within the scope of interest. More elaborate doll accessories are highly prized. Both boys and girls enjoy playing board games.

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Greetings for Christmas

H. C. Burnam
INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Our good wishes for a Happy and Healthy Holiday to all our friends. We thank you for your most kind support.

On Cards—

"Peace On Earth" Is Most Popular

"Peace on earth," the message of the angels of Bethlehem, is more popular this year than ever before as a theme for Christmas cards.

"I think it must have something to do with concern over world tensions," said Stephen Q. Shannon, executive director for the Greeting Card Association which studies such trends.

"And if there's no let up in the cold war," he said, "it wouldn't surprise me if the trend assumed major proportions."

Already assuming major proportions is the popularity of cards with a religious motif. This year more than 750 million cards — about 30 percent to the total — stress the religious significance of Christmas. The trend has been growing steadily the past decade.

Shannon observes there is added emphasis this year on the idea of continuing peace,

rather than just a repetition of the familiar "On earth, peace to men of good will."

Many cards, for example, have some variation of, "May the peace of Christmas remain with you forever." One says, "Peace on earth is here to stay if we live Christmas every day."

The latter example is typical of the spirit but not the meter inside this year's religious cards. Unlike most of the nonreligious type, the religious messages generally avoid sing-song couplets in preference for simple, meaningful phrases.

"May the blessings of Christmas be with you today and always" says one. Other examples:

"May the spirit of Christmas bring joy to you and yours."
"May the beauty of Christmas be an inspiration to you throughout the year."

All except one of this year's top 10 favorites were in last

year's top 10, but not in the same order. The one exception is church windows, which dropped from ninth place last year to 11th this year.

Here are this year's 10 favorite religious designs in order of their popularity, with the way they ranked last year. Madonnas, 1; manger scenes 5; cherubs 6; churches 4; holy family 3; wise men 2; shepherds 7; children 15; angels, 10.

The association put the remaining nine in this order: church windows, miscellaneous, o u s, choirs, illuminated script, Bibles and rosaries, church bells, classical art, religious text and star and cross.

While many reproductions of classical art works are of the ever popular madonnas, they generally are higher priced, which may help explain their position close to the bottom of the list.

Greeting card companies have gone to great lengths this year to make their reproductions as close to the originals as possible.

One company imported its classics from Italy where they were reproduced in excellent color on delicate silk. Another put out a "fine arts collection" of 50 Renaissance masterpieces reproduced by a Swiss printing house using special

Yule Tension Control Article Gives Tips On

Christmas is a joyous and festive holiday. Yet, to do all the things that have come to be a part of Christmas the average person spends more time, energy and money than in any other period of the year.

Result: Strains and tensions arise that are not normally experienced. To find out how this problem of tension-filled holidays can be avoided, a few suggestions are given.

Christmas is more than gift-giving and card sending. Don't get caught up in the commercial aspect of Christmas and overlook its spiritual aspects.

Don't engage in excesses — financial or physical. Be sensible about the money and energy you spend preparing for Christmas. If you know your limits, you will not be confronted with debts you can't afford or depressing fatigue at the end of the holidays.

Get pleasure from your giving. If your gift-giving was paper and table, or somebody in the family inks.

not satisfactory last year, try a new kind of giving this year; perhaps with greater emphasis on sharing and giving to help less fortunate people enjoy the holidays.

And above all, accept only what Christmas can really give. Don't encourage your children to think that Christmas is only a time for receiving everything they want.

Safety Guy Griffis played only three games for Texas Tech before being injured, yet returned punts far enough to pace the Red Raiders for the entire season and finish third in the Southwest Conference. He scampered 162 yards on 15 kicks by Kansas, Texas, and Texas A&M, an average of 10.8 per try. Donny Anderson averaged 12.8 yards a runback, but had only five for 64.

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR SUBSCRIBERS, MERCHANTS, AND FRIENDS!



Merry Christmas

Here comes Santa with a sleighful of merriest Christmas wishes for our many kind friends and all those they hold dear. We hope your holiday will be an especially joyous one, holding a wealth of happy hours. It has been both a privilege and a pleasure to serve you, and we thank you for your most kind patronage.

TRI-CITY DR PEPPER BOTTLING COMPANY

HIGHWAY 80

STANTON, TEXAS

The Stanton Reporter Wishes You A Very Merry Christmas

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Greeting Cards Chronicle Manners, Customs, Events

It all began in 1843 when John Calcot Horsley, a prominent London artist drew the first Christmas card. Horsley's pioneering greeting was a triptych, a prime example of contemporary recording. The central panel showed a jolly family with young and old tipping toasts from brimming glasses, while the two side panels gave a sobering effect with scenes of the poor begin clothed and the hungry fed.

From that time on Christmas cards have faithfully chronicled the manners, customs and events of their times.

One Christmas card collection, that of Norcross, Inc. greeting card publishers, houses hundreds of cards that capture for posterity the fads and foibles, changes and evolution in sports, fashions, modes of transportation, current events, filial love, amusements, even children's pastimes and music making.

According to Miss Esther Mooney, who is a curator to the collection, many of the cards are gems of social comment.

"In an English card of 1892," said Miss Mooney, "the formality existing between children and parents in that Victorian era is quite clearly expressed by the artist. He depicts a little girl on bended knee at her mother's feet solemnly offering her a Christmas bouquet. Just 40 years later, a Christmas card of

1930 shows how relaxed filial relations had become with its breezy greeting that says, "3 cheers 4 a Herry Christmas and you, Dad!"

Christmas card artists have always been quick to pick on innovations as subjects.

The advent of the horseless carriage was duly recognized in a card of 1910. Cut out in the shape of a car of that vintage, it cheerfully puns: "You 'Auto' be Happy As you, on Pleasure's Motor-Car Steer merrily thro' Christmastide . . . Speed fairly as fun always 'Auto!'"

And in 1950, the early days of television were noted in a Christmas greeting which shows Santa tuning in TV.

An historic event is frequently the inspiration for a Christmas card. When Lindbergh flew the Atlantic, the artist drew his "Spirit of St. Louis" flying over New York on a 1927 Christmas card.

During World Wars One and Two Christmas cards became unblushingly patriotic. Verses like "On Christmas night . . . With Holly Berries Gleaming Bright, Our Thoughts fly true O'er Ocean Blue and take a Christmas Wish to you" on a 1917 card brought balm to homesick doughboys.

Personalities who were household words of their times often popped up in Christmas cards. A typical card of 1934 offered five famous faces for the price of one.

It showed the Duke of Windsor (then the Prince of Wales), Mussolini, Garbo Chevalier and Mae West, all wishing the lucky recipient seasonal greetings in their own particular style.

In 1959 Christmas cards entered the space age when Soviet Ambassador Mikhail Menshikov decorated his seasonal greetings with pictures of three Lunik satellites. And after John Glenn's space flight, American card companies came out with a spate of cards

that featured space ships, orbiting Santas and rockets.

In the prosperous 1960's Christmas cards have blossomed fourth with a rash of current status symbols. Victorian cards showed the magic lantern or the piano every well-to-do Victorian home possessed.

On Christmas greetings of today, it's the transistor radio and the stereo hi-fi, the set of golf clubs or the scooter, elegant ladies in furs and golden Cadillacs that mingle with the holly and mistletoe.

Christmas Manger Is Italy's Cherished Gift To The World

In France it's the "Creche," in Spain the "Nacimiento," in Germany the "Drippe" and in English-speaking lands "The Crib." But, by whatever name it is known, the representation of the stable in Bethlehem on that first Christmas night originated in Italy.

St. Francis of Assisi is said to have constructed the first praesepe, or Manger, about the year 1223 in the little village for Greccio, near Assisi. Over the centuries, the Crib was adopted by people of other countries in southern Europe, and then its use spread to Germany and England.

Pageants came into being, their purpose to vividly present the story of the Nativity

at a time when written accounts were scarce, and the majority of people illiterate. To this day some villages in Italy present the age-old story on January 6th, Feast of Epiphany, when tradition says that the Magi, bearing gifts, came to adore the Infant.

Your county agent should have the 1966 edition of the Farmers' Tax Guide available any day now. This publication is worth cultivating. It is loaded with plain down to earth tax advice. A careful reading of the Farmers' Tax Guide could save you more than you could make plowing the south forty. Don't miss picking up a copy of this valuable publication.

CHRISTMAS TREE LEGENDS

The trimmed Christmas tree, as we know it today, is little more than a century and half old, yet legends trace the origin of the tree back to earliest times.

One legend concerns an early Christian missionary, St. Wilfred, who once came upon a band of Druids preparing to make a human sacrifice under a large oak.

According to the story, St. Wilfred had the tree cut down and almost immediately, a young fir tree sprang up in its place. The missionary seized the evidence and made the fir tree a symbol of new faith and there after the Druids set this symbol of immortality in the halls of their lodges at Christmas time, surrounding them with feasting and laughter and love.

There is also the story of the Faithful Pine which sheltered the Holy Family during the flight to Egypt. With Herod's soldiers in pursuit, it was still necessary that Mary rest awhile so they sought shelter in the low trunk of a huge fir tree. As the soldiers approached, the tree bent its branches to conceal the huddled little group. When the danger had passed, the baby Jesus blessed the old tree. Today, if you cut a pine cone lengthwise at Christmastime, you can still see the imprint of His little hand.

Another legend holds that the first Christmas tree was really an apple tree. And, although the fir tree has long since replaced its predecessor or Christmas use, the tinsel baubles we use on the tree are said representative of the fruit which for the early Christians symbolized the fall of man in the Garden of Eden and his reclamation by the birth of the Saviour.

White House Guides Yule Traditions

Many of the cherished traditions which make Christmas merrier in the United States had their start in the White House.

George Washington, first President of the United States, surrounded himself with family and grandchildren at cheerful Christmas parties, and set the theme of a "merry Christmas" for his country. Washington also furthered the use of American holly as a decoration by growing the glossy-leaved tree on his estate at Mount Vernon.

Andrew Jackson was fond of giving large, colorful parties for young and old on Christmas Day. Frozen ices, a novelty at that time, were served, and there was a small, frosted pine tree, surrounded by toys.

Franklin Pierce introduced the modern Christmas tree to the White House in 1856.

Benjamin Harrison, in 1889, told reporters he planned an "old fashioned Christmas" including a Christmas tree, for his family, and urged others to join him in observing the custom.

Conservation-minded Theodore Roosevelt once refused to allow a Christmas tree in the White House. His son, Archie, smuggled one in, however, and the President finally relented.

First lighting of the National Community Christmas Tree at the White House was observed in 1923, when Calvin Coolidge was President.

Trade at home and save!

Christmas Customs South Of The Border

In the lands of Central and South America, the Christmas festival reaches its zenith with the celebration of the Misa del Gallo (Mass of the Cock) at midnight Christmas Eve. This traditionally is the hour at which Christ was born. The name itself stems from Christian Rome's early practice of holding the first service when the cock crew.

Christmas feasts follow the Midnight service, and delicacies vary according to the country. While roast pig is Latin America's holiday favorite, turkey dominates tables in Mexico, Brazil, Columbia, Nicaragua, Panama and Puerto Rico.

Gift Giving

Gift giving has always been closely linked with the Nativity. The youngsters of many lands look to the Christ Child for presents. In certain countries, including Mexico and Puerto Rico, tots impatiently await Epiphany, January 6, and a visit from the Three Wise Men. Santa Claus adds, for the parents, an expensive complication.

Exchange of gifts takes an unusual turn in Columbia where it is the custom for merry-makers in masquerade to mill through the streets on Christmas Eve. Whenever a friend detects another's identity, he claims a reward.

Smashing the Pinata is a red-letter feature of Mexican Christmas festivities. An earthen jar is filled with nuts, candies and small gifts. Elaborately disguised and decorated with tissue paper it often represents a doll's face or entire figure — perhaps a bull fighter.

Children of the household, blindfolded and armed with a club, are each given three chances to break the Pinata. Inasmuch as the basic earthen

Science Toys Big Favorites For Christmas

Science has given a new glamour to the Christmas toy output for this year. Science toys provide education as well as new types of play activity for girls as well as boys.

Models of missiles and nuclear submarines are accompanied by manuals explaining the operation of real missiles and submarines.

Other news toys are patterned after old inventions which have extreme importance today. These include the electric light, the telephone, and the first steam turbine engine, among others.

For youngster who might become highway engineers, there is a road-building set featuring a miniature mobile crane.

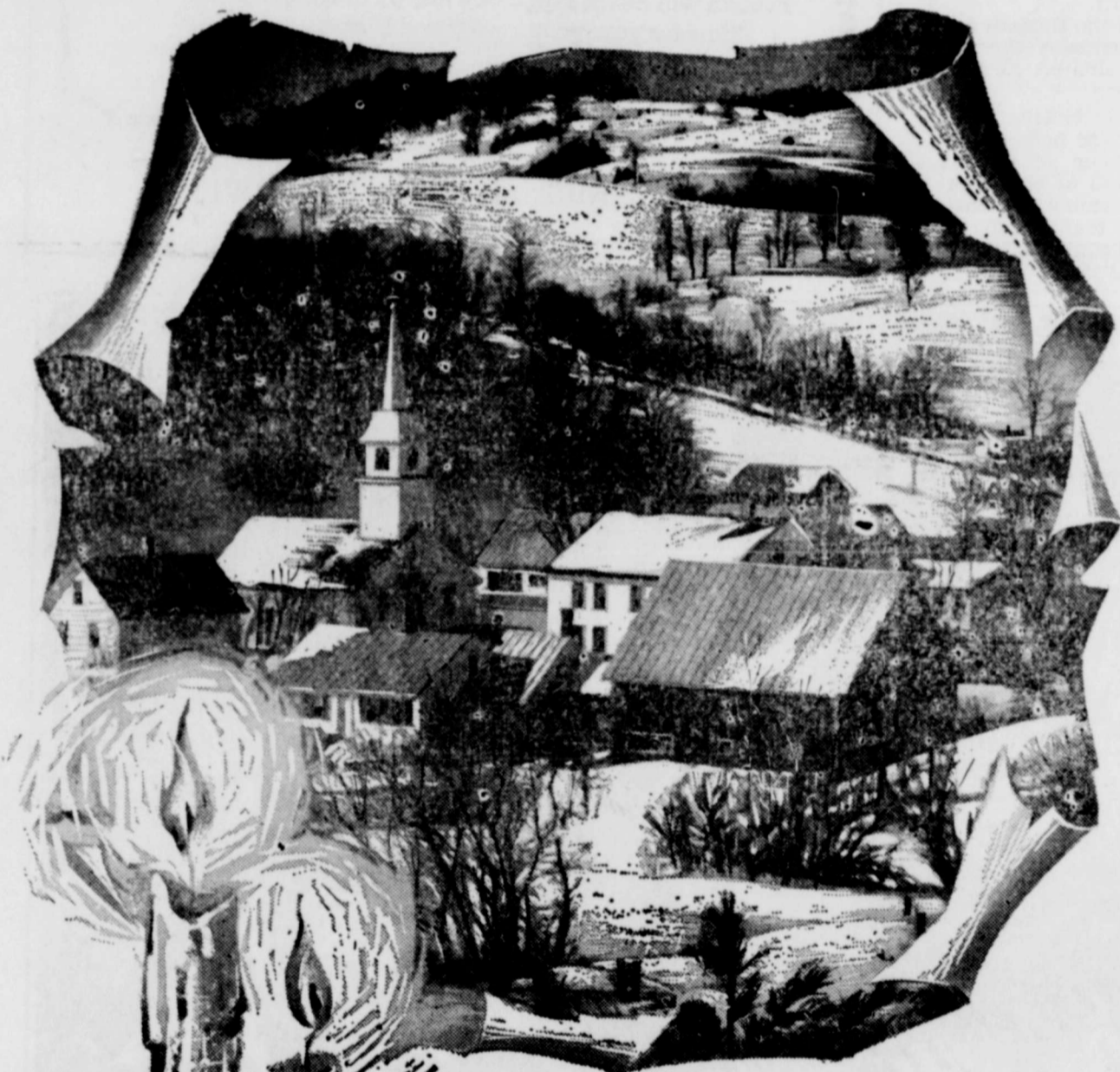
Also available is an airlines lift truck that raises itself off the truck chassis to load and unload aircraft. New among electric trains is one with cars that toss out bales of hay.

More outdoor sports have been adapted for indoor use in this year's Christmas toys. The Olympic games are included among these.

jar has been selected because of its fragility, it shatters easily, releasing a shower of goodies and trinkets, and causing everyone in the party to scramble for a share.

Children of Latin America traditionally send their letters to "Baby Jesus, Care of St. Peter," but North American symbols of Christmas, Santa Claus, the unseled tree, wreaths, and greeting cards — are becoming familiar in the cities of several neighboring countries, notably Mexico, Cuba and Puerto Rico.

The entire staff of The Reporter wishes everyone a Very Merry Christmas!



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Candles glowing warm and bright, countryside in snowy white tell of Christmas peace and pleasure, full of joys for all to treasure. Hope you'll be blessed with the Season's best!

WHITE MOTOR COMPANY

201 E. ST. ANNA

STANTON, TEXAS



GOOD WISHES FOR Christmas

Children's cheery voices raised in Christmas song express the good will we feel for all our friends. Thanks and Merry Christmas!

Martin County Farm Bureau



Greetings

May the true spiritual meaning of Christmas gladden your holiday and enrich your festivities with deep contentment and warm associations.

James Jones Hardware

The Stanton Reporter Wishes You A Very Merry Christmas

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'Jingle Bells' Sings Of Snow And Sleigh

"Dashing thro' the snow, in a one-horse open sleigh,
O'er the field we go, laughing all the way,
Bells on bobtail ring, making spirits bright;
What fun it is to ride and sing a sleighing song tonight!"

"A day or two ago I thought I'd take a ride;
And soon Miss Fannie Bright was seated by my side.
The horse was lean and lank, misfortune seem'd his lot;
He got into a drifted bank, and we, we got upst.

"Now the ground is white; go it while you're young;
Take the girls tonight, and sing this sleighing song.
Just get a bobtailed bay, two-forty for his speed;
Then hitch him to an open sleigh, and crack! you'll take
the lead."

REFRAIN:
"Jingle, bells! Jingle, bells! Jingle all the way!
O! What fun it is to ride in a one-horse open sleigh!"

The Germans made sugar from wood in 1926. Although it is not very sweet it is extremely nutritious.

Greetings
and
Good
Wishes
for
Christmas!



I wish to use the columns of The Ole Reliable to send happy, healthy and prosperous Christmas greetings to my friends and patients in Martin County. May your holidays bless you all with some of the things in life.

DR. J. M. SHY

Eake Christmas Breads In Pretty Candy Canes

Perky, pretty Candy Cane Christmas Breads are delicious, with lots of holiday goodness baked in.

Here is the wonderful flavor or an aroma of sweet yeast bread accented with the sharp sweetness of fruit preserves. It's shaped like canes and decorated with candy stripes.

Candy Cane Yeast Bread

1 package yeast
1/4 cup lukewarm water
1/4 cup butter or margarine, melted
1/4 cup sugar
1 teaspoon salt
3/4 cup water
1 egg
4 cups sifted all-purpose flour
1/2 cup instant nonfat dry milk (in dry form)
1 cup preserves or jelly
3 cups sifted powdered sugar
1/4 cup water

In a 3-quart bowl, dissolve yeast in 1/4 cup lukewarm water. Add melted butter or margarine, sugar, salt, egg and 3/4 cup water. Sift flour and nonfat dry milk together. Add gradually to above mixture and beat until smooth. Knead dough until smooth and place in a greased bowl. Lightly grease top of dough.

Allow to rise in a warm place about 1 1/2 hours or until about double in volume. Punch dough down and divide into three equal parts. Roll each part into a 15x6-inch rectangle. Place on greased cookie sheet. With scissors, make cuts from outer edge of 15-inch side 2 inches deep at 1/2-inch intervals. Spread 1/2 cup preserves or jelly down center of each rectangle. Crisscross strips across filling.

With a spatula under one end, curve dough to form a candy cane. Bake at 375 F. (high moderate) oven for 12 to 15 minutes. While warm, glaze with a mixture of powdered sugar and water. If desired, sprinkle with cut-up nuts or maraschino cherries. Makes three Candy Canes.

Santa's Sleigh . . .

"Santa's Packing His Sleigh" is a quiet Christmas game that provides fun and hearty laughter. It starts simply enough with one member of the group saying, "Santa's packing his sleigh," and he's

bringing a toy dog." Then each person repeats the sentence, adding another gift to Santa's sleigh. The object of the game is to repeat correctly, in order, the complete list of gifts in Santa's sleigh — and it's harder than it sounds.

As the list gets longer and longer, more and more players just can't seem to remember the whole list and its order, so consequently they drop out, until only one is left.

Why A Tree?

One early legend says that all the trees burst into bloom on the night Christ was born.

Folk tales in ancient times tell of a huge tree in a forest, lighted with many candles, some of which were straight and some bent. At the top was an infant with a halo.

The tree was meant to represent humanity, and candles, people good and bad; and the infant, the Baby Jesus.

Another explanation links today's Christmas tree to ancient feasts of the winter equinox, when trees were adorned with trinkets. St. Boniface, an English missionary to Germany, is said to have told converts that the fir should be their holy tree, replacing the oak, sacred in Druid tree worship, and thus beginning the custom of a decorated fir.

Many are the legends, but one thing is certain. Nowadays Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without the tree.

Legend Of Animals At Christmastime

There are numerous legends concerning the strange behavior of animals at Christmastime.

Many of these stories, in which animals drop to their knees at midnight on Christmas Eve, sheep march around the folds, fish come out of the sea and bees hum throughout the night, have come to us down through centuries and help form the traditions of Christmas. In many of the old world

Christmas Date Set Officially In 4th Century

The history of the Christmas observance is one that has intrigued clerical and lay scholars for countless years.

Researchers have found that as far back as the fourth century, the Christmas festival was already an established custom dating back to earlier eras.

The word Christmas began as "Christ's Mass" or as in old English "Christ's Masee" or the Mass of Christ, following the custom of the church in observing the anniversaries of deaths, rather than births.

It was not until St. Cyril, Bishop of Jerusalem, set out to affirm one day for the universal observance that Christ's Mass was changed from its previous celebration in the spring (as we now observe Easter).

The good Bishop was granted permission by Pope Junius I to appoint a group of theologians to determine, as accurately as possible, the exact date of Christ's nativity.

Too many years had elapsed for absolute accuracy, and after discovering various contradictions of calendars, astronomical and astronomical calculations, the date for the celebration of Christ's Mass was set by the Church for December 25.

So it is that since the year 354 A.D., this date has been observed as the date of the Saviour's birth.

Members of the Russian and Ukrainian Orthodox Churches celebrate this on January

countries it is believed that cattle, sheep and horses know the exact hour of Christ's birth, and will at the moment kneel humbly in their stables, turn their heads toward Bethlehem, thus paying tribute to the Christ child.

6. To this day, the festival of Christmas still occurs on many different dates throughout the world.

December 6 is the day when Christmas is observed in most

Western European countries and marks the beginning of a long, happy holiday season.

The word "crusade" comes from the Latin word "crux," meaning "cross." The Cross of Christ was the official badge of those who joined the Crusades of the Holy Land during the Middle Ages, and the expression "taking the cross" meant becoming a crusader.



Our wish for you... the pick of Santa's pack, and the best of everything else for your Christmas celebration. It's our sincere hope that this holiday season will be an especially happy and memorable time for you, your family and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Fowler

We take this opportunity to wish everyone a

Merry Christmas

Hope your Day is a happy one, filled with all the special joys of the holiday season.

Brown's Texaco Service Station
West Highway 80 CHARLIE BROWN SK 6-2249

May your Christmas be richly filled with the spiritual blessings that come as our thoughts turn to a Holy Night when herald angels sang in triumphant joy, and a Star shown with radiance that endures eternally. May you find, in the miracle of the manger, a deep Christmas happiness and contentment that surpasses all others.

Friendly Food and Thriftway

ALTON TURNER O. C. TURNER

The Stanton Reporter Wishes You A Very Merry Christmas

THE STANTON REPORTER, THURSDAY, DEC. 23, 1965

THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

What, indeed, is Christmas? Ask a child and he may tell you that it is a time of snow and bright lights, and Santa Claus and presents under the tree. Ask a hundred grown-ups and you may get a hundred slightly related answers, for Christmas is many things to many people. But, for all of us, the happiest memories of childhood are those associated with the celebration of this great holiday. How easy it is to vividly call up scenes of long ago when a happy family gathered by the warm glow of an open fireside; to close their eyes to see again the snow-covered fields and to hear again the crunching sound of heavy boots plodding through the snow and visualize the little white church of the hill. In the silence of darkened room one can easily revisit that little church, breathe again the aroma of evergreens and burning candles and sense anew the presence that is so obvious in the quiet and solemn stillness. These are the things about Christmas that have not changed and will not change with the modes and mannerisms of new generations. These are the things which reflect the spirit of Christmas. It is in the spirit of love and goodness, of close communion with God and with mankind and with it all is mixed a sense of awe at the wonderful miracle brought onto being on that first Christmas night at Bethlehem so long ago. This is the spirit of Christmas, and so it shall remain until the end of time.

The Stanton Reporter wishes its many subscribers, friends merchants "A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!"

Science Toys Big Favorites For Christmas

Science has given a new glamor to the Christmas toy output for this year. Science toys provide education as well as new types of play activity for girls as well as boys. Models of missiles and nuclear submarines are accompanied by manuals explaining the operation of real missiles and submarines. Other new toys are patterned after old inventions which have extreme importance today. These include the electric light, the telephone, and the first steam turbine engine, among others. For youngsters who might become highway engineers, there is a road - building set featuring a miniature mobile crane. Also available is an airlines lift truck that raises itself off the truck chassis to load and unload aircraft. New among electric trains is one with cars that toss out bales of hay. More outdoor sports have been adapted for indoor use in this year's Christmas toys. The Olympic games are included among these.

CHRISTMAS CANDLE LEGEND

Candles have long had their place in legends and in the observance of the holiday of Christmas.

In Ireland on Christmas Eve a large candle was burned which could be snuffed out only by one named Mary. As the Irish put it "Who knows, on some Christmas Eve, Jesus and Mary and Joseph may come again, not to Palestine, but to the Holy Isle on the farthest edge of Europe?"

The use of candles for Christmas is not recorded in the annals of any nation but according to an old legend the "Christ Child Candle" is burned in the window to light His way if He makes an earthly visitation and in atonement for the night of His birth when there was no room for Him.

Children's Task

During the early days of our country, animal fats were relatively scarce. The branches of the bayberry shrub were covered with wax-giving berries and the children were given the task of gathering the berries when candles had to be made so that the animal fats could be conserved.

According to tradition, one who burned a bayberry candle on Christmas Eve of Christmas Day would have a long life and a happy one.

An old verse reads:

"To learn your luck for the year they say,
Burn a bayberry dip on Christmas Day.
If the flame burns bright and the light shines clear,
Good luck will be yours throughout the year."

Cranberried Chicken Is Perfect Party Dish

Christmas Eve! It's a perfect time for a supper party before the evening church services or perhaps joining with the roving carolers. Choose a simple feast, no fuss at all, such as Baked Cranberry Stuffed Chicken, and fresh asparagus served with Hollandaise Sauce. Accompanied by a salad of the season, this menu will not tax any hostess.

Baked Cranberry Stuffed Chicken

- 3 frying chickens, quartered
- 6 slices enriched toast
- 2 tablespoons chopped parsley
- 1 (8-ounce) package stuffing mix
- 1 (No. 1) can condensed chicken-ric

- soup
- 1/2 cup water
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 1/4 cup melted butter
- 1 (1-pound) can whole cranberry sauce

Wash chicken and pat dry. Cut toast slices in half, diagonally. Combine parsley, stuffing mix, chicken-ric soup and water. Grease shallow baking pan. Spread out toast triangles in shallow baking pan. Place 1/2 cup stuffing on each piece of toast. Salt chicken pieces and place them, skin side up, over stuffing. Brush butter over chicken. Cover and bake in a hot oven (400 F.) for 30 minutes. Uncover, bake 15 minutes. Spread cranberry sauce over chicken, bake another 15 minutes. Will serve 12.

Quartet Of Fruit In Salad

Four popular favorites - halved Tokay grapes, pineapple tidbits, orange sections and sliced bananas - get together with a creamy ginger-flavored dressing for delicious Fruit Quartet Salad.

It's an excellent accompaniment for poultry or baked ham. Served with hot cheese rolls, coffee or tea, it would also make ideal luncheon or bridge party fare.

FRUIT QUARTET SALAD

- 1 1/2 cups Tokay grapes
- 1 can (8 3/4-ounce) pineapple tidbits
- 1 cup orange or grapefruit sections
- 2 bananas
- 1/4 cup whipping cream
- Dash salt
- 1 tablespoon powdered sugar
- 1/4 cup mayonnaise
- 1 to 2 tablespoons preserved ginger
- Lettuce

Halve and seed Tokays. Drain pineapple and oranges. Peel and slice bananas. Mix fruits lightly in bowl. Whip cream with salt and powdered sugar. Fold in mayonnaise and ginger. Fold dressing into fruits. Mound on eight lettuce-lined plates. Makes eight servings.

FROSTED AND FRINGED

Christmas cards of 1870 were frosted and fringed with heavy silk. The folder-type

Young Folks Can Help Make Jaunty, Puffed Rice Snowman

Puffed rice, coconut and marshmallows are the "snow" for a delightful snowman decoration. Youngsters can help make him.

To make the Jaunty Snowman you'll need 9 cups puffed rice (1, 4 1/2 oz. package), 1/4 cup butter or margarine, 32 large marshmallows, flaked or shredded coconut, white confectioners' sugar frosting.

Heat puffed rice in shallow pan in moderate oven (350 F.) 10 minutes. Pour into large greased bowl.

Melt butter and marshmallows over very low heat (may use double boiler.) Stir to

blend. Pour over puffed rice, stirring until kernels are evenly coated. With greased hands, shape into three balls for the "body" and two small ovals for the "arms." Immediately roll each part in coconut.

Assemble, using confectioners' sugar frosting to attach balls and toothpicks to attach "arms." Use raisins for eyes, gumdrop for nose, red candied cherry for mouth and red cinnamon candies for buttons. Make a top hat from red construction paper, trim with holly. Makes one large snowman.

Lighting Candles

Martin Luther, the Reformation leader, is credited by some legend collectors with decorating the first lighted Christmas tree. He lit candles and placed them on the boughs of an evergreen—a custom that would be frowned on today, when fire safety is the rule in Christmas decorating. By lighting the candles and decking the tree, he hoped to show his family some small reflection of the glory and inspiration of the heavens on the first Holy Night.

The Stanton Reporter wishes you a Merry Christmas!

card, was not popular during the 19th century, when single cards were more frequently seen.

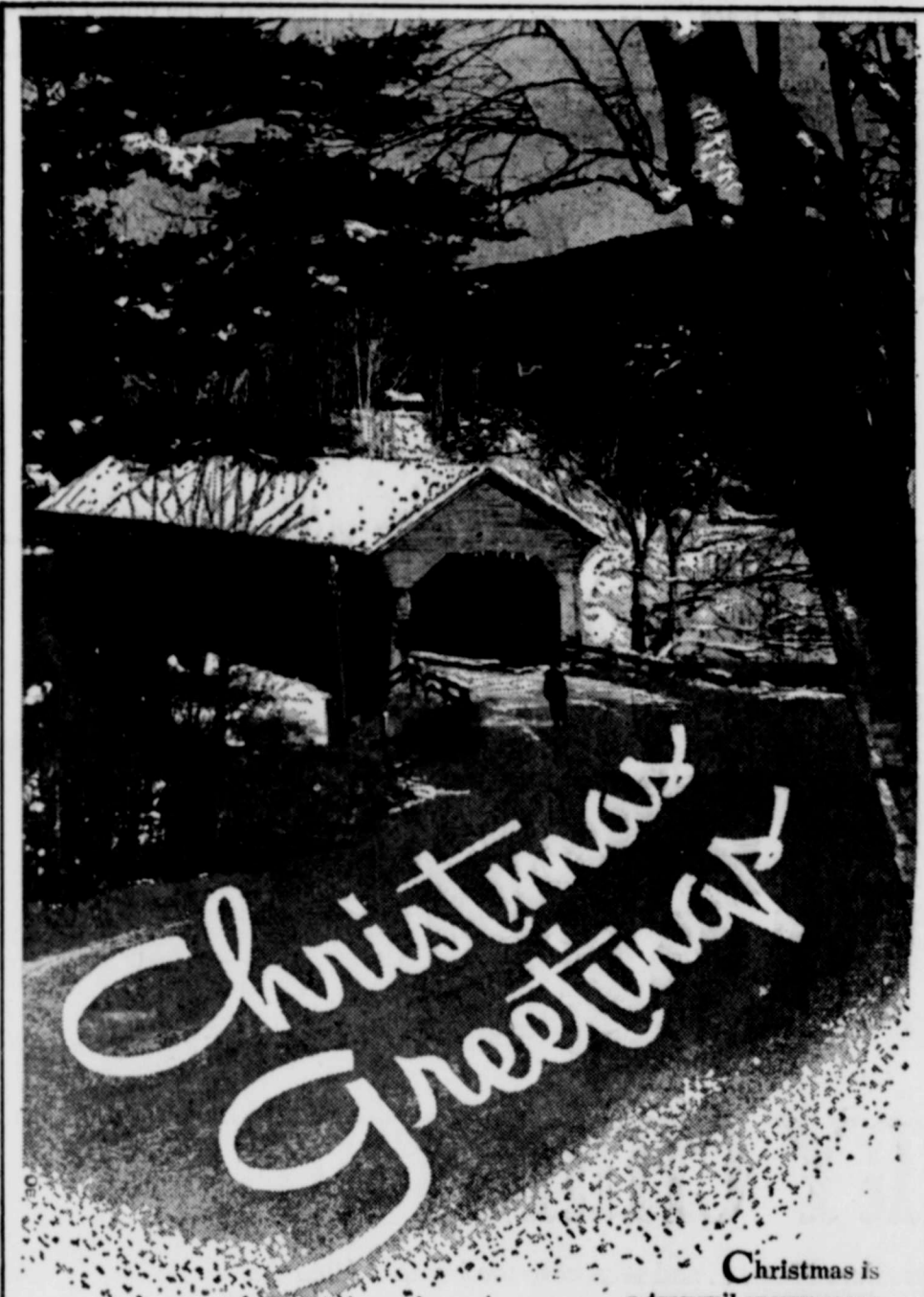
Yule Customs In Sweden

The Yule celebration in Sweden begins on St. Lucia's Day, December 13, when the eldest daughter, in long white robes, becomes a "Lucia bride."

Wearing a crown of whortleberries with seven lighted candles, she goes forth bearing sweetmeats for family and friends.

Store charcoal in empty milk cartons. Then when you want a fire, just toss on a carton and light. Hot waxed paper ignites charcoal inside with no mess, no bother.

A Merry Christmas to all!



Christmas is a tranquil snowy scene and brightly-wrapped gifts... it is a time of hope and rejoicing for the many things it is our privilege to possess. We wish you an "old-fashioned" Christmas, filled with love and good cheer, and the deep satisfaction of friendships renewed. Happy Holidays!

Texas Electric Service Company

CECIL BRIDGES, Manager SK 6-3371

HE SO LOVED . . .

He Taught The World To Love

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son . . .

How meaningful are these words today, nearly two thousand years after the humble beginning of that One Great Life at Bethlehem. How holy and purposeful was this life upon earth that it comes to us again and again in the spirit of Christmas to remind that the real joys and the rich goodness of life lie not in riches and good, or self attainment, but in thoughtful and unselfish service and love.

For He so loved the world that He taught the world to love. Through one, great and wonderful life upon earth, He set down for all mankind and for all time the supreme example of the good life. In His every deed and action He portrayed the qualities of love and faith and kindness.

These qualities — and more — are all a part of the Christmas. But, by His example, they are qualities that should abound in our lives throughout the year.

In thankfulness to God, for

all His goodness and love, we should keep the Christmas in its true and joyful meaning, the spiritual occasion of the birth of Christ. And if we can truly keep the Christmas, then perhaps we can keep the spirit of Christ within our hearts throughout the year.

Gift Giving At Christmas

Santa Claus is inseparably associated with the spirit of gift-giving in America, but in other lands, various gift-bearers are just as eagerly awaited.

Commemorating the arrival of the Magi on Epiphany, the Wise Men leave presents for good boys and girls as they pass through Spain during their annual journey to Bethlehem.

Happy Holiday Front Door Fun To Make

You can create a "happy holiday" front door with a little imagination and weather-proof oil cloth.

For example, cross wide red bands against a white door to give a "gift package" effect. Or shape self-adhesive oil cloth into bows, and decorate them with sprigs of holly.

Remember to wash the door with hot soap or detergent suds before you decorate, as not even the most artistic design can enhance a dingy surface. And wash the door again later to erase all traces of holiday decoration.

Christians make up the largest religious group in the world.

Yule Tradition

In the earliest day of Yule log fires, the new log was always lit with the charred remains of the log from the previous year. Thus good luck was carried over to the new.

Merry Christmas to all!



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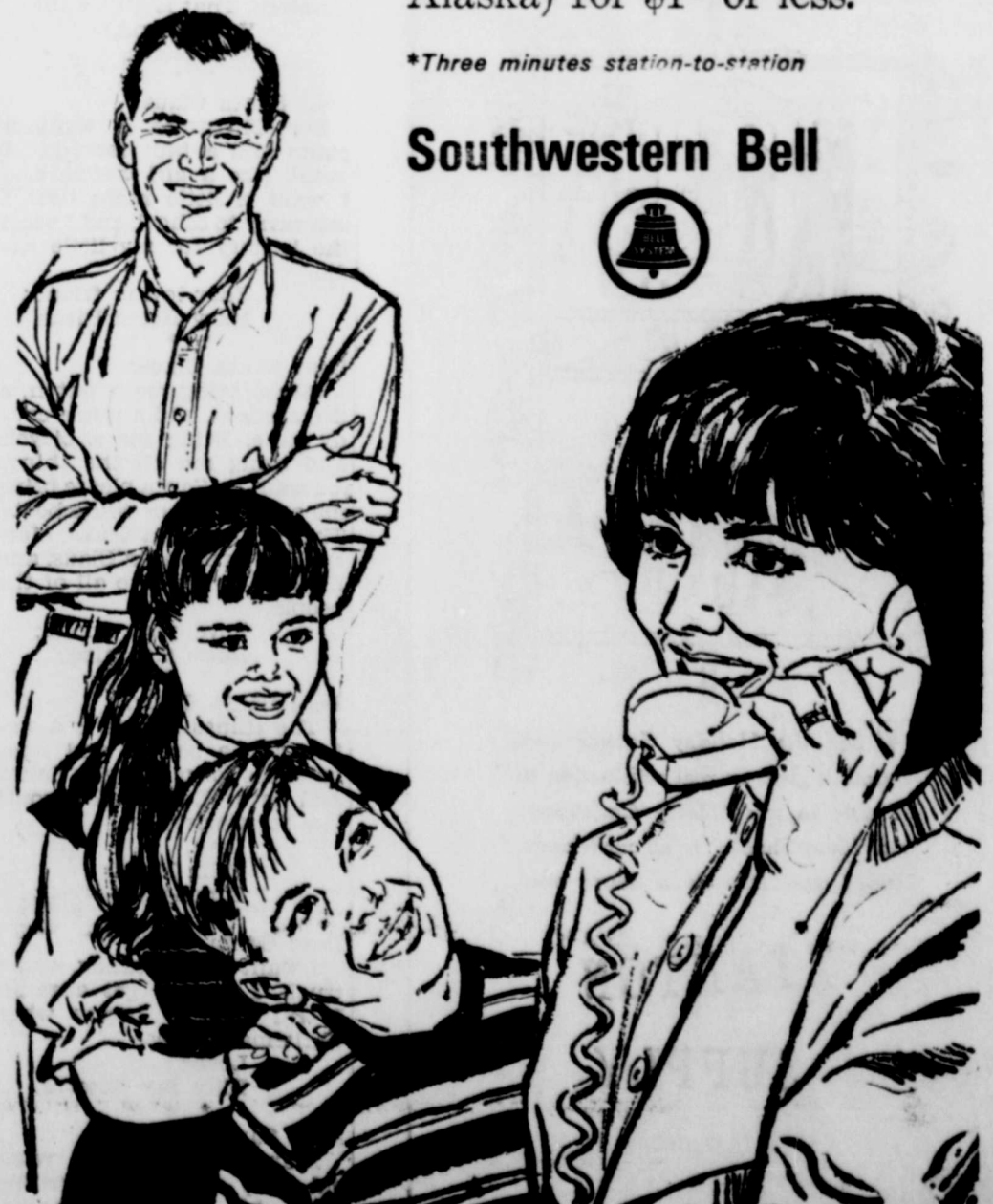
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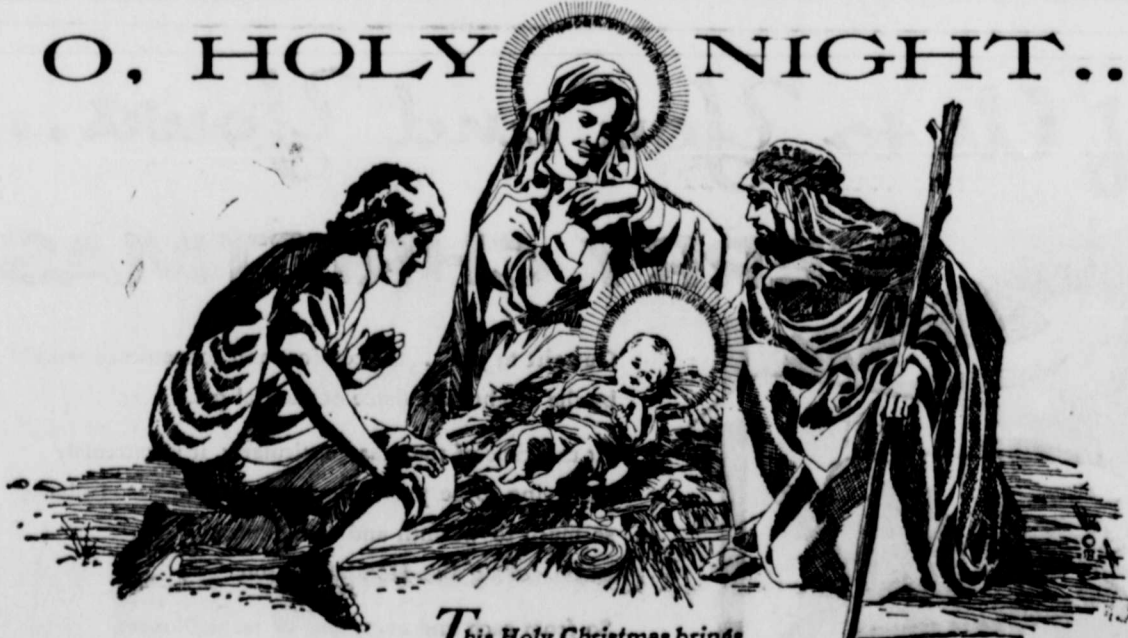
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O, HOLY NIGHT..



This Holy Christmas brings again its spiritual blessings and grants us once more the opportunity to unite in our prayers for peace among all men.

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First National Bank Building

STANTON, TEXAS

The Stanton Reporter Wishes You A Very Merry Christmas

THE STANTON REPORTER, THURSDAY, DEC. 23, 1965



**merry, merry
Christmas**

Christmastime affords us the chance to express our heartfelt gratitude for the friendship and generosity you have shown us through the year. We extend best wishes for a happy holiday.

Hightower's Laundry

Mr. and Mrs. Prentiss Hightower
203 West Broadway Stanton, Texas



**MERRY
CHRISTMAS**



When the Holiday Season rolls 'round, it gives us real satisfaction to be able to say "Merry Christmas" and "Many Thanks" to all our friends. Hope your Day is a happy one!

**STANTON
SUPPLY**

Santa Claus Letters

Dear Santa Claus:
For Christmas I want a little dog, a painting set and a big banjo I love you.
Love,
Jana Wood.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a radio and a Baby Boo, and I think that is all for Christmas. I will be good to my daddy and mother.
Love,
Jeanne Ramos.

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like to have a set of dishes, a doll that talks. Santa Claus I like you and I know you like us.
Love,
Erminia Cruz.

Dear Santa Claus:
For Christmas I would like a Baby Thrifty Tears, and some dishes and a coke machine. I guess that's all.
Your friend,
Jackie Haggard.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a bicycle and a Johnny 70 ma.
Love,
Terry Lee Welch.

Dear Santa:
I would like a Barbie doll, Skipper doll, bicycle, guitar, watch, and a tape recorder. I have been a very good girl.
Love,
Debbie Hildreth.

Dear Santa Claus:
This Christmas I want a bike and a BB gun and a train. And I want a shotgun, a football suit, a bow and arrow, and a Johnn eagle.
Love,
Joe Benny Bryand.

Dear Santa Claus:
For Christmas I want the following things: a bus, big train, a big truck that picks up things, and a bike.
Love,
James Luna.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to bring a bow and arrow, an airplane please. I want a racer set too. My sister wants a radio, and my other sister wants a watch.
Love,
Jerry Wayne Holloway.

Dear Santa Claus:
For Christmas I want a Baby Boo, and I would like to have a tea set, a ring, and the last thing I would like to have is a girl's watch.
Your friend,
Lynnette Haggard.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want some G. I. Joe's, and a B-B gun. I am trying to be nice, so you will come to my house.
Your freind:
Pedro Briseno.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a bicycle to go to the store. That is all I want.
Your friend,
Mari Rivas.

Dear Santa Claus:
For Christmas I want a piano and a tape recorder. I would like a girl watch, and I want a little radio that I can carry to school, and I want the battery for my little radio.
Your loving friend:
Mary Helen Rivas.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a watch, a dress, shoes, and a purse candy cane. Bring me a bicycle and bring me all the things you want to. Santa please bring me some black or white boots. Thank you Santa Claus. Merry Christmas Santa Claus, and Happy New Year to all of the people.
Love, your friend:
Rosie Gonzales.

Dear Santa Claus:
The things I want is a watch, and a basket, and some batteries for my bicycles lights, and horn. That is all I would like for Christmas.
Love,
Felix Morris Sanchez.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a gun, candy, and a truck. I hope I get a radio. I will be very happy when Christmas comes.
Love,
Billy Jay Howard.

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl 3 years old. My mommy is writing this but I can print my name.

I would like a baby Suzzy Cute and the Bee Says. Please bring my sister and brother something too.

I'll leave the door unlocked in case you can't get down the chimney.
Love,
Leah Flanagan.

Dear Santa Claus:
For Christmas I want a wood burning set, a bicycle, and a rifle.
Love,
Tony Sawyer.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a watch and one of those little radios, and a guitar.
Your friend,
Linda Woody.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a color book, and some dishes.
When Christmas comes, I will be asleep, so you can put my toys in the Christmas tree and some candy in my sock.
Your friend,
Natalia Gabaldon.

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like a Troll Doll, walkie - talkie, pair of boots, pair of Levis, and a hat.
Yours truly,
Janie Roper.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a dump truck, and a bat and a ball for Christmas.
Yours truly,
Cresencio Gabaldon.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a doll. And some dishes. My sister wants a new dress. And my bothers want some trucks too.
Love,
Linda Feaster.

Dear Santa:
I am 3 years old. My mother is writing this letter for me. I would like a record player and some records for Christmas. I have been a good boy all year.
I love you,
Terry Hightower.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am 7 years old and in the second grade. I have been pretty good this year. I would like a pop gun and a train for Christmas. Don't forget my little brother.
Love,
Tommy Hightower.

Off-Tree Lighting Recommended For Metal Type Trees
If you are using a metal Christmas tree this year, the National Board of Fire Underwriters recommends that you use off-the-tree lighting with colored lights to give a softer and more beautiful illumination.
Placing strings of Christmas lights upon any metal tree sets up the possibility of electric shock if the cord becomes frayed or the interior of a light socket comes in contact with the tree.
Play it safe and use off-the-tree lighting with any metal tree.

'Snow' Removal
To get rid of the push-button "snow" with which youngsters decorate windows at Christmas time, apply sal soda concentrated in solution form or dry to the area with a stiff brush.

A Merry Christmas to all!

What's In A Name? Shakespeare Called Play 'Twelfth Night,' But He Chose Different Subject

"After dinner to the Duke's House, and there saw 'Twelfth Night' acted well, though it be but a silly play and not related at all to the name."

So wrote the English dairist, Samuel Pepys, in recording the events of January 6, 1663. Later critics have taken a more enthusiastic view of William Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night" than did Mr. Pepys, but they have to agree that the comic gambol bears on relationship to its title. Apparently, the play was so named because it had been written to be performed on Twelfth Night.

Had Shakespeare chosen to do it, he had ample materials at hand to create a play that was really about "Twelfth Night."

Epiphany, the Twelfth Night of Christmas, traditionally brought gifts to the Christ Child, was a most important festival in Shakespeare's time, and many customs surrounded it. Characters ready for Shakespeare's pen were such traditional folk as "Patrick O'Tater," "Lady Bluestocking," "Captain Blunderbuss," and others. At Twelfth Night frolics, the young people, especially, dressed themselves in costumes to suggest these characters. Shakespeare, however, preferred to write of Sir Toby

Belch, Malvollo, Olivia and others, and critics can only speculate upon what might have been if he had taken "Twelfth Night" for his theme as well as his title.

To make sure homemade candies for the holidays turn out well, follow these suggestions:

Always use a heavy saucepan that holds about three times as much as the recipe calls for to keep candy from running over.

Stir until sugar is dissolved before allowing mixture to boil. Always stir with a wooden spoon.

Sugar crystals will be washed down if the pan is covered for the first three minutes of the boiling period.

Let candy get almost cold before beating.

Use a candy thermometer in making your candy.

Candy cools faster on a marble slab.

A Merry Christmas to all!

Hints For Making Holiday Candy

Home Christmas decorations take on a sparkling air when done in silver or gold. Spray a large sheet of construction paper and let it dry. Then trace and cut stars, trees, deer or Santas to use as ornaments, mirror and window decorations or place cards during the season.

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Stocking Up Starts With Santa Claus

Santa Claus, envisioned today as a jolly, cheerful man with an affinity for children, was a romanticist too, according to legend.

The first Santa Claus, St. Nicholas, started the custom of hanging stockings by the chimney when his romantic heart was touched, and he gifted a bankrupt merchant's three marriageable daughters with gold for their dowries.

Desiring anonymity, he tossed the three bags of gold through the window, or, as some tell it, down the chimney. One of the bags landed in a stocking which had been hung up to dry on the mantel piece.

Hanging up stockings thus became part of the holiday ritual.

IN SOUTH PACIFIC

For Fiji Islanders, Christmas starts at 2 a.m., when carolers wake the villagers with serenades. At dawn, when everyone is awake and assembled, some attend church while others take care of preparing the feast.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Ob come let us adore Him . . . and recapture the joy that filled the hearts of those who knelt to worship on that first Christmas Day. With deep sincerity, we extend our greetings and wish each and every one a truly happy and holy Holiday. It is our fervent hope that the blessed peace of Bethlehem will be with you now and throughout all the days yet to come.

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ALL BRANDS EXCEPT YUBAN AND SANKA
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CAKE MIX Shurfine, Asst'd. Flavors 4 For \$1.00

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SAUSAGES

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USDA GRADED Pound 89¢

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The Stanton Reporter Wishes You A Very Merry Christmas

THE STANTON REPORTER, THURSDAY, DEC. 23, 1965

Christmas Cookie Baking Time Just Around Corner

Jingle bells—the Christmas season has begun. Now is the time to plan those very special cookies you plan to wrap beautifully and present to selected friends and relatives.

Santa's Strawberry Blondes And Chocolate-Scotch Patties

Santa's Strawberry Blondes
 2/3 cup shortening
 2 1/4 cups (1 pound) firmly packed brown sugar
 2 3/4 cups sifted all-purpose flour
 2 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 1 cup chopped nuts
 1 6-ounce package (1 cup) butterscotch flavored morsels
 1 6-ounce package (1 cup) sewisweet chocolate morsels

Basic Dough

Cream shortening and brown sugar; beat in eggs, one at a time. Sift together flour, baking powder, and salt. Blend into cream mixture. Stir in nuts. Divide dough into two equal parts (about 2 1/4 cups each).

Santa's Strawberry Blondes
 Stir butterscotch morsels into one part of basic dough; turn into greased 9x9x2-inch pan; smooth the surface. Bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees) 20 minutes. When almost cool, cut into 1 1/2-inch squares. When thoroughly cool, spoon strawberry frosting into cake decorator with star tip; make rosette on each

square. Makes 3 dozen cookies.

Choco-Scotch Patties

Stir chocolate morsels into second part of basic dough; drop from teaspoon 2 inches apart on greased cookie sheet. Bake in moderate oven (350 degrees) 13 minutes. Cool on rack. Makes 3 dozen cookies.

Strawberry Frosting

2 tablespoons quick strawberry milk-flavoring mix
 1 tablespoon milk
 1 cup sifted confectioner's sugar, divided
 2 tablespoons softened butter or margarine
 1/2 cup strawberry milk-flavoring mix in milk. Beat 1/2 cup of the sugar with the butter. Beat in the milk mixture alternately with the remaining sugar.

In Greece

Young people of Greece foretell their romantic future at Christmas by tossing olive leaves on the burning Yule log. Tradition decrees that if the leaves, symbolizing the candles are still preferred girl and man, curl toward each other, the lovers can expect their happiness to be long-lived.

If the leaves burn apart, their romance may be fraught with difficulties. The best result, however, is if the leaves burn to a crisp. This means their love is deep and all-enduring.

Make Old Toys Look Like New

By salvaging and making useful again discarded toys of your children, you will gladden the heart of some eager youngster whose stocking will not be too full on Christmas morning.

That old teddy-bear will be just as lovable as ever when he has a new pair of shoe-button eyes, and it takes only a minute to sew them in place.

Repair pingpong and tennis racquets. Trucks, wagons, sleds, and blocks will look new again with a coat of bright paint. Old cigar boxes are just the thing for making doll furniture. And colored wash cloths, cut to fit, make fancy-looking rugs for a doll house.

Revamp an old doll. If her wig is stringy, give it a good curl with the curling iron. Then make her a brand new wardrobe. Some little girl will think she is the most beautiful doll in the world.

Fingers Of All Ages Reach For These Tasty Cookies

There's nothing more heart-warming than a gift of homemade goodies at Christmas time. Two of the most delicious and easiest to make in large quantities, are crisp "Double Peanut Drops" and no-bake "Jiffy Fruitcake Squares." Because of the rich flavor of peanut butter, these two very different cookies appeal to all ages. Here's how to make them.

Double Peanut Drops

1/4 cup peanut butter
 1/2 cup butter or other shortening
 1/4 cup sugar
 1 teaspoon vanilla
 2/3 cup crushed peanut brittle
 1 cup sifted flour
 Cream peanut butter with shortening. Beat sugar in

gradually. Add vanilla and brittle. Gradually stir in flour. (Mixture will be crumbly.)

Measure heaping teaspoons and, with fingers, shape into round flat cookies. Bake in 325 degrees F. oven for 15 minutes. Makes 45 cookies.

Jiffy Fruitcake

15 ounces raisins
 1 lb. pitted dates
 1/4 cup crunchy peanut butter
 2 lbs. mixed diced candied fruit

Grind raisins and dates together. Add peanut butter and mix thoroughly. Add candied fruit and mix well. Line two 8x8x2-inch pans with wax paper and press half of mixture into each. Chill in refrigerator 36 hours before cutting into squares. Makes 50 pieces.

Article Gives Tips On Yule Tension Control

Christmas is a joyous and festive holiday. Yet, to do all the things that have come to be a part of Christmas the average person spends more time, energy and money than in any other period of the year.

Result: Strain and tensions arise that are not normally experienced. To find out how this problem of tension-filled holiday can be avoided, a few suggestions are given.

Christmas is more than gift-giving and card sending. Don't get caught up in the commercial aspect of Christmas and overlook its spiritual aspects.

Don't engage in excesses—financial or physical. Be sensible about the money and energy you spend preparing for Christmas. If you know your limits, you will not be confronted with debts you can't afford or depressing fatigue at the end of the holidays.

Get pleasure from your giving. If your gift-giving was not satisfactory last year, try a new kind of giving this year, perhaps with greater emphasis on sharing and giving to help less fortunate people enjoy the holidays.

And above all, except only what Christmas can really give. Don't encourage your children to think that Christmas is only a time for receiving everything they want.

Mistletoe Kissing Is The Berries

One of the happiest customs of the Christmas season is stealing a kiss under the mistletoe. To adhere strictly to the old Norse tale from which this pleasant pastime springs, busses should pluck one of the white berries for each kiss.

According to Davey tree experts when the berries are gone, the sprig loses its magic power to bring happiness.

Shepherd Maiden . . .

Shepherds are familiar figures in Christmas stories and carols, such as "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night."

More novel, but equally established in tradition, is the story of the shepherdess who visited the stable on the first Christmas night.

"Dou viens-tu, bergree?"

(or, "Whence Come, You Shepherd Maiden?") was brought to Canada in the 17th century, by early French settlers. In the carol, a questioner asks the shepherdess where she has been and what she has seen, and she in turn describes the manger scene.

In Germany

The celebration of a West

German Christmas is filled with tradition, foremost of which is the Christmas tree, dating back 400 years. Until recently, trees were trimmed with candles and although artificial lighting for three ornaments has been introduced, the candles are still preferred by many.

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Holiday Greetings

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Wild Rice Companion To Turkey

A casserole of wild rice is a glorious accompaniment for the traditional Christmas turkey. Wild rice has long been a gourmet companion for fowl, whether it be pheasant or turkey.

To prepare this epicurean version of wild rice, wash and soak 2 cups of wild rice. If possible, let it soak overnight. Boil the rice in 1 quart of salted water until almost tender. Drain the rice. Place it in a casserole.

1 1/2 quart porcelain enameled casserole with a gay Festa design is ideal for this festive dish because it can go from the oven to the table and is fancy enough for the party.

WILD RICE 'N' MUSHROOM SAUCE

Add one cup of turkey stock to the rice in the bake and serve dish. The stock can be made by boiling the turkey giblets and neck in water. Bake covered in 350 F. oven for one hour. About 1/2 hour before serving mix one can of condensed mushroom soup with one cup of sour cream. Spoon the mixture over the wild rice and bake uncovered for 1/2 hour longer. Serve hot in casserole. This gourmet edition of Wild Rice 'N' Mushroom sauce serves eight.

A Merry Christmas from The Stanton Reporter!

The Christmas Story...

Bright shines the Star across the years, bright glows the Christmas story . . . to tell of a time when Wise Men brought rare and precious gifts, to symbolize their adoration for the Child that lay in a manger. May you know all the gifts of a blessed Christmas.

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Merry Christmas

The Christmas season is upon us, accompanied by the peace and joy this happy holiday always brings. May we wish you, our loyal patrons, a large measure of all the good things Christmas offers, and thank you for the many joys your continued friendship has brought to us.

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