

Merry Christmas

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FROM THE Editor's Corner

It's a dilemma. I know I shouldn't do it but I'm about ready to do it anyway.

Just one more frustration will tip me over the edge. I'll have those seat belt buzzers disconnected.

Maybe it's my conscience that's holding me back. I know that they are there to help. To save my life.

Most of the time I use them. I used them before the warning signals became a part of the system.

I used seat belts on trips. Never in town. But there are no halfway measures with the new models. It's all or nothing at all.

So what happens? You know what happens if you've been driving around in a 1973. What happens is that you become a one hand on the wheel driver.

The other hand is holding the seat belt up to keep it from doing its thing.

There are other systems other than holding them with one hand. You can fasten them together.

We do that most of the time. The only trouble is that this system is unreliable. The tension slips a little and all of a sudden the buzzer sounds.

Have you ever tried to unhook a safety belt that you're sitting on while cruising down Main Street?

It's quite a trick. But we're all getting better at it. Practice makes perfect. That's not the worst of it. If I could have had a mechanic around the other day in Bay City the seat belt buzz would have bit the dust. Right now.

It happened as I was bringing back a huge stack of paper from processing in Bay City. The back seat was loaded, the front seat was loaded and the trunk was full.

Paper must have been two feet high on all the seats. Loading that paper is a chore.

I took off. Buzz-buzz-buzz. The weight of the paper activated the warning, leaving me two revolting choices. Drive back to Cass City with that seat belt serenade or unload, fasten the belts together and then reload.

That's the same choice you have when you have a low draft number. Enlist or wait for your number to be called.

Either way you're hooked. What they should have is a warning system that could be turned off, say after about two minutes. That way you'd be reminded, not overwhelmed.

But I'd suspect that a practical device like that is against the new safety codes.

Who could expect the government to be that practical?



SANTA reaches for a bag of candy as this little girl waits expectantly for the holiday goody. She was one of about 135 handicapped children who were treated to a movie and luncheon last week.

Santa Claus—a target of shy wishes, snowballs

By Kit McMillion

With untiring patience he coaxes the names out of little wide-eyed children, pats passing stray dogs on the head, hands out scores of candied canes and sits in his cold house illuminated only by a wavering Coleman lantern to greet visitors, record Christmas wishes and fulfill the fantasy belief in the spirit of Christmas.

He works odd hours and sits in a house with windows broken by vandals, ignores the taunts of adults who apparently aren't really grown up and becomes almost a confessor to children who have been both good and bad.

He is Santa Claus, and he is one of many who take the tough job of living the Christmas Spirit. The Chamber of Commerce gives him a monetary reward for his services, but no amount of money can compensate the work of living a legend. The twinkle in his blue eyes was the only thing visible behind the fluff of white beard and hair. The roundness that filled out his red velvet suit gave him the appearance of a proper Santa, and his voice bellowed a deep Ho-ho-ho.

No stranger to little children - Santa has three of his own - he converses easily with the little believers.

I will be

at the Cass City State Bank Friday, Dec. 22, to collect taxes. Eikland Township Treasurer. 12-21-1

NOTICE

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The plaintiffs claim negligence against Linda Avery, who was the driver of the other vehicle involved in the crash. The accident occurred at 4:40 a.m. on M-81 at Deckerville Road, about three miles east of Caro.

The suit was filed in Tuscola County Circuit Court.

File auto negligence, fire insurance suits

A suit for payment of \$20,000 damages has been filed by Ray and Mary Periso of Phillips Road, Deford, against the Pioneer State Mutual Insurance Co. and Newell E. Harris and Richard E. Hampshire, as Harris-Hampshire Insurance Agency, for failing to pay a claim for insurance made after their home was destroyed by fire.

The Perisos claim in the brief filed in Tuscola County Circuit Court that their policy did not state an expiration date, the firm of Harris and Hampshire accepted a check for the premium and they received no cancellation notice of the policy.

Fire destroyed their home Sept. 29 which was the date their premium was due and the date they paid it, according to the suit. The loss of the house, contents and fire call amounted to \$24,500, the Perisos claim.

Harris-Hampshire Insurance Agency has not yet filed an answering brief.

A joint civil suit seeking a

Village petitions available

Trustees Holmberg, Albee do not seek re-election

The decision of two Cass City Village Council members not to run for re-election will pave the way for a change of membership in the governing body and could result in an interesting election next spring.

Trustees Gladys Albee and Arthur Holmberg have announced that they will not petition for re-election.

Holmberg, who has served on the board almost three years, said he would not run again because he spends a considerable amount of time out of Cass City during the year and does not think this is being fair to the residents.

He was appointed to the board in Dec. 1969 to fulfill the term left vacant by Edward Golding Jr., who resigned when he moved out of the village limits. Since then he was re-elected to

one two-year term in 1970.

He has been an active member of the community, serving as teacher and principal of the Cass City High School since coming to Cass City in 1935. He resigned from that position in 1969.

Mrs. Gladys Albee, who has served on the council 8 years, said she is not seeking another term because, "I would like to devote a little time to other things."

Mrs. Albee won her seat to the council in 1965 after a heated

contest and a record voter turnout. As the only woman member of the board these past 8 years, she stated that she would definitely like to see another woman try for the post.

Mrs. Albee has been in the community since 1950.

The only other trustee up for election is Bernard Ross, who has served on the council for six years. As of late last week, he was undecided about running for re-election.

Petitions for nomination to these posts are available at the

municipal building, and must be returned with the signatures of 10 registered voters no later than 4 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 2, village officials said.

Any registered voter is eligible to petition. Persons must be at least 18 years old, have lived in the state six months and the village 30 days to register to vote.

The offices of president, clerk, treasurer, and assessor will not appear on the ballot this year. The election last year was for a two-year term.

Treat kids to free movie, lunch, treats

Approximately 135 handicapped youngsters and adults were guests of honor at the sixth annual free movie and luncheon last Thursday sponsored by several local businesses.

Children from the Tuscola Intermediate Training Center, deaf and hard of hearing youngsters from Caro elementary schools and adults from the Work Activity Center in Caro were greeted at the Cass Theatre by Santa Claus, who handed out candy donated by the Bauer Candy Company.

The children were then treated to a show by Dick Hendrick, followed up by luncheon at the New Gordon Hotel, courtesy of General Telephone. There the children also received coloring books from General Telephone.

Icy roads and snow conditions resulted in numerous accidents this week.

Alvin Ernest Werschky, 27, 5911 N. Cemetery Road, Cass City, received minor injuries when he applied the brakes on his truck to avoid a car in front of him on E. Vassar Road near M-81 which had slowed for a dog, and it rolled over.

The accident occurred Tuesday at 8:05 a.m.

The rear wagon rolled over, followed by the truck filled with sugar beets.

A parked gasoline truck belonging to Leo Ware of Cass City was struck by a car driven by Terry Lee Morrison, 17, 1561 E. Caro Road, Caro, Monday at 10:30 a.m. on M-81.

The Morrison car came over the hill and saw the lights of a wrecker coming down the middle of the road, according to Tuscola county sheriff's deputies. Morrison went to the right to avoid the wrecker and hit the gas truck, which was parked on the shoulder. There were no injuries.

A Cass City resident was treated for minor injuries Sunday at Caro Community Hospital when the car she was a passenger in rolled over.

Linda Dombowski, 20, was in a car operated by Keith W.

Federspiel, 21, of Saginaw. According to sheriff's reports, the vehicle was south bound on M-81 in Ellington township when the driver hit a snow drift in the road, went left of center and rolled over on the east side of the road.

Other passengers in the car were Tim Dombowski, 20, and Pam Hawkins, 20, of Midland, who was also slightly hurt in the 2:35 a.m. mishap.

Douglas Albert Englehart, 23, of Shabbona Road, Deford, was uninjured when his car, east bound on M-81, hit a car operated by Christian Frederick Roth, 68, of 139 E. Congress, Caro, as it pulled out in front of him from Chambers Road. The mishap happened at 4:25 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 13. Roth was ticketed for failing to yield the right of way.

LOCAL MISHAPS

A minor accident was reported Saturday at 9:40 a.m. in Erla's Parking Lot when Florence M. Sweeney, 50, 2331 W. Morrison Road, Uby, backed up and struck a car operated by Helen Virginia Peter, 32, 4325 Woodland St., Cass City, coming across the lot.

A ticket for failing to yield the right of way was issued to

Meredith B. Auten, 81, 4647 N. Seeger St., Cass City, following an accident Friday at 3:45 p.m. on Main Street. Auten came out of the service station at West Street and was struck by a car driven by Matilda Vasquez, 26, of 141 Alexander St., Caro, who was west-bound on Main.

Passengers in the Vasquez vehicle, Almenia Facundo, 20, of Caro and Shirley Sheeman, 18, of Cass City, received minor injuries.

A minor mishap was reported Wednesday, Dec. 13, at 5:45 p.m. when Mary Alice McComb, 54, 4292 Maple St., Cass City, backed out of a parking space on Seeger Street and was hit by a vehicle driven by Betty Marie Retherford, 51, 4646 Hunt St., Cass City.

Donald E. Root, 43, 1020 Grand River, Portland, hit a parked car of Arnold Erla, 4581 West St., Cass City, 12:25 p.m. Wednesday when he was unable to stop on the ice.

Cars driven by Frederick Z. Horner, 28, 3319 Main St., Akron, and Kathleen Bresky, 35, 4244 Sherman St., Cass City, collided at the intersection of West and Third Streets. Snowy roads and rain obstructed vision and both drivers failed to see the other in time to avoid an accident.

Snowmobile saves wedding day

The groom didn't make it to the church on time. Neither did the bride.

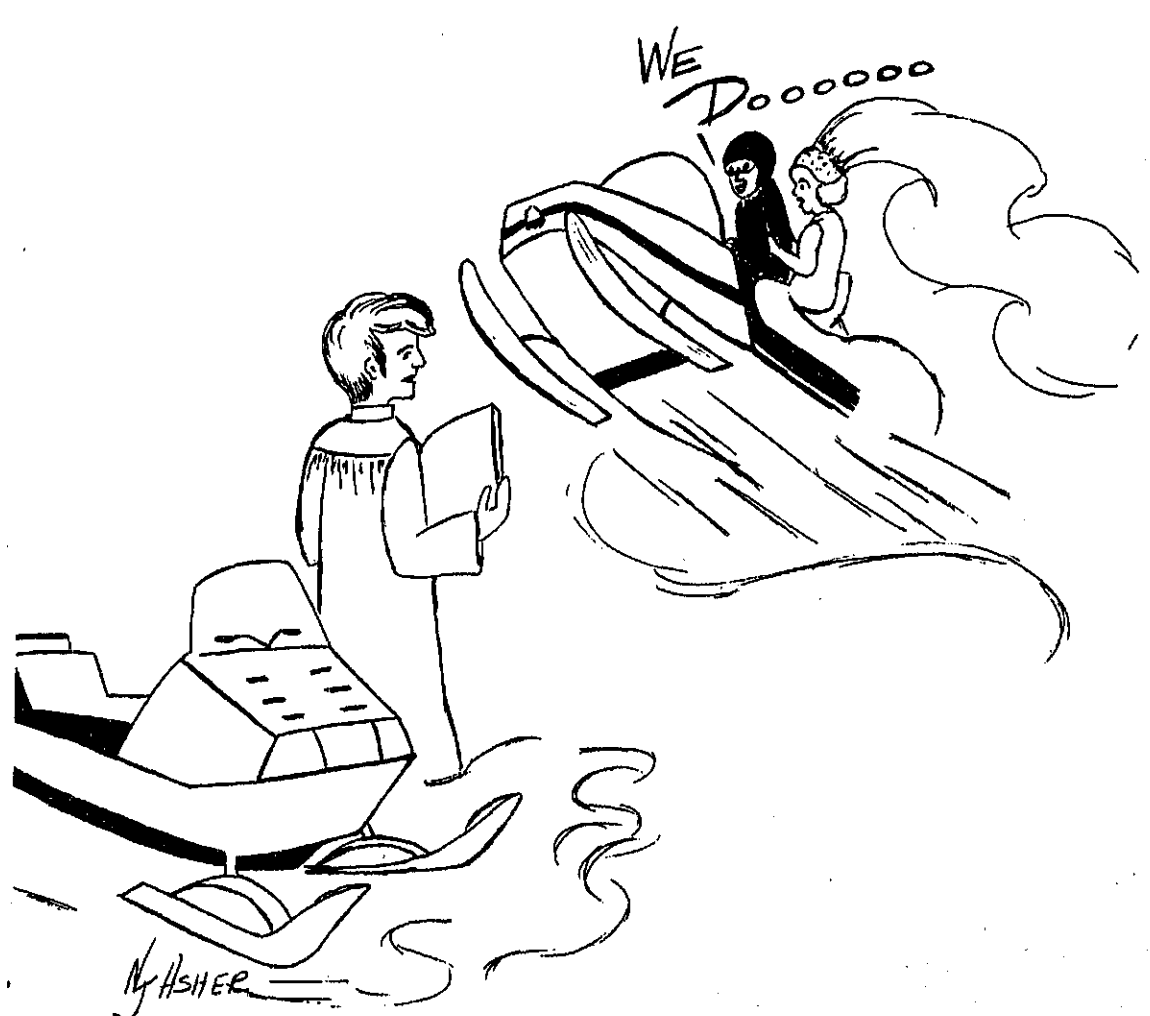
But that didn't stop the wedding Saturday of Gloria Derengowski and Bill Sattelberg, both of Cass City. The ceremony was scheduled for 4 p.m. at St. Michael's Church in Wilmot.

Snow-clogged Lamton Road prevented the couple from getting to the Delbert Krueger home where the bride and groom were to leave for the church with Charlene and Delbert Krueger, their attendants.

Bill Zimba, a neighbor of the Kruegers, tried to open the road with his tractor, but his attempts failed. Then Mrs. Josephine Zimba came to the rescue with her snowmobile and transported the couple to the Kruegers, where they continued preparations for the ceremony.

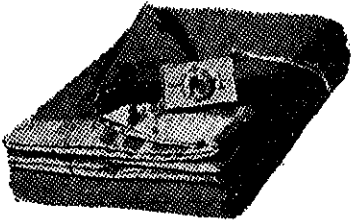
Mrs. Krueger called the Rev. Dan O'Sullivan and told him it was impossible to get to the church, so he drove as far as Mushroom and Lamton Roads, where the priest was picked up by Mrs. Zimba on her snowmobile.

The wedding ceremony took place at 4:30. The guests arrived via snowmobile.



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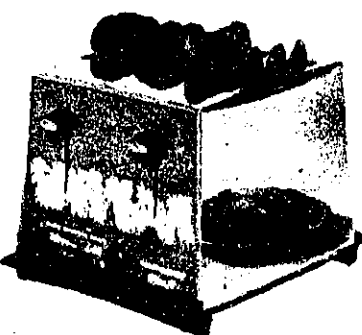
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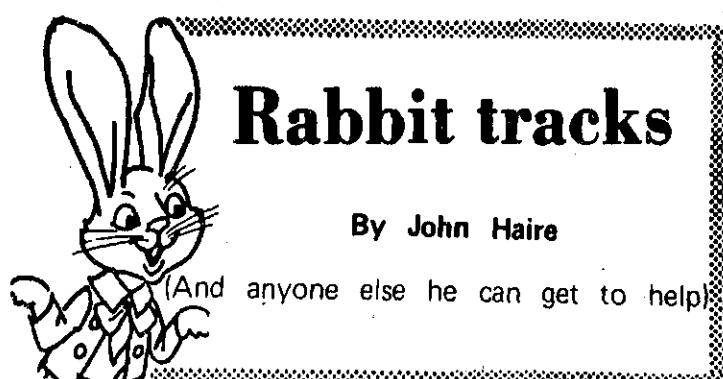
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Rabbit tracks

By John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

Ordinarily a Monday holiday means that the Chronicle staff works at least part of a day.

But Christmas is the exception. In order to close and still meet our Wednesday publication date we are forced to establish a Friday deadline for news and advertising copy.

Your usual good cooperation will be appreciated. We'll face the same situation the following week. On Christmas we just won't work. On New Year's the question is would we be able to?

If you need tickets to any Michigan State football game next fall the guy to see is Dick Wallace. Yeah, I know he graduated from Alma, that tiny school tucked away in mid-Michigan. So what does he know about big-time schools like MSU?

He knows the coach. In fact Denny Stolz was a fraternity brother of Dick's at Alma. ...now gone on to bigger and better things.

And if a fraternity brother can't get you tickets, who can? Incidentally, Dick says, and guys who know tend to agree: Stolz is an outstanding personality and could become a great coach... despite the handicaps of his friendships at Alma.

The Walbro success story is so well-known in Cass City that most folks tend to take it for granted.

But the achievement of starting a company from nothing and building it to what it has become today has not gone unnoticed in industry.

One trade magazine "Chain Saw Age" featured Walbro in an eight-page spread in its October issue including a full color cover showing Walbro products and W. E. Walpole, company president.

In all there were 13 pictures of persons, products and buildings that is Walbro today.

Now that Richard Erla is Democratic county chairman it's safe to predict that politics at the local level will come to a boil.

He'll push, push, push for his party. ...but it's the case of the nearly irresistible force against the totally immovable object.

At this point in time we'll predict that even Dick won't change traditional GOP loyalties to any great degree.

It's Christmas time again. It's this issue of the paper in which we say thanks to you for making it another successful year.

For 20 odd years I've been trying to express it so that readers will know it's sincere.

Each of these years I've felt that there should be a better way. I haven't found it.

The best that I can do is what everyone does. Say "Merry Christmas" and hope you know that I mean it in the fullest sense of the words.

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A Christmas tradition

Mrs. Baker creates ginger bread house

By Kit McMillion

The decorated ginger house looked good enough to eat, and anyone named Hansel or Gretel might feel sanctioned in snatching a piece of roofing.

The tasty structure, however, is probably more sturdy than the fairy-tale house built of bread, roofed with cakes and with windows of transparent sugar.

Until it reaches its final destination, that is.

Every year, Mrs. Helen Baker takes the time to make the lovely cake for her grandchild in kindergarten. This is the last year for this family ritual, and after the Christmas Holidays, 5-year-old Ruth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Baker, will take the cake, secured in cellophane wrapping, to school.

"And then the kids will pick it to pieces," grinned Mrs. Baker. This will be the fifth grandchild to have the honor of entertaining his classmates thus, and it's far from the first cake Mrs. Baker has made.

She made the first house 12 or 15 years ago - she couldn't remember exactly - as a project for one of her classes while she was a home economics teacher

at Owendale High School.

As part of a family living project to teach the girls methods of beautifying their homes for the holidays, each girl started a house at school to be completed at home, and Mrs. Baker always finished one as a demonstration.

The class also made beautiful animal cookies cut from pictures of Mother Goose characters and hung on a cookie tree. Her class then hosted the kindergartners and the first grade, who listened to the operetta "Hansel and Gretel" and then ate the goodies.

Since her retirement four years ago, she continues to make them for the family and for various women's groups who sell at Christmas auctions.

Probation sentence for Dan Anger

Dan Anger of Caro was sentenced to three years' probation Monday for his part in the theft of a tractor earlier this year.

Circuit Court Judge James Churchill also gave Anger fine and costs of \$500 and 90 days in the county jail to begin Jan. 2.

Anger was convicted of one of three counts of conspiracy in connection with the theft of a \$15,000 tractor from Gettel Implement Co., Pigeon, in March. He was convicted by jury of conspiring with Conrad Mosack of Gayeton, who is still at large, by furnishing a truck and trailer for use in transporting the stolen property.

In other court business, Wilford Donald Robarge of Clio stood mute to a charge of arson in connection with an early morning fire Oct. 16 in a Millington drugstore. A plea of innocent was entered for him. Bond of \$2000 was continued and pre-trial was set for Jan. 2.

Mark Richard Bluer of Millington entered a plea of guilty to larceny in a building at his arraignment for the breaking and entering of The Wayne Feed and Supply Co. in Mayville Nov. 24. Sentencing is set for Jan. 15. Personal recognizance bond of \$1000 was continued.

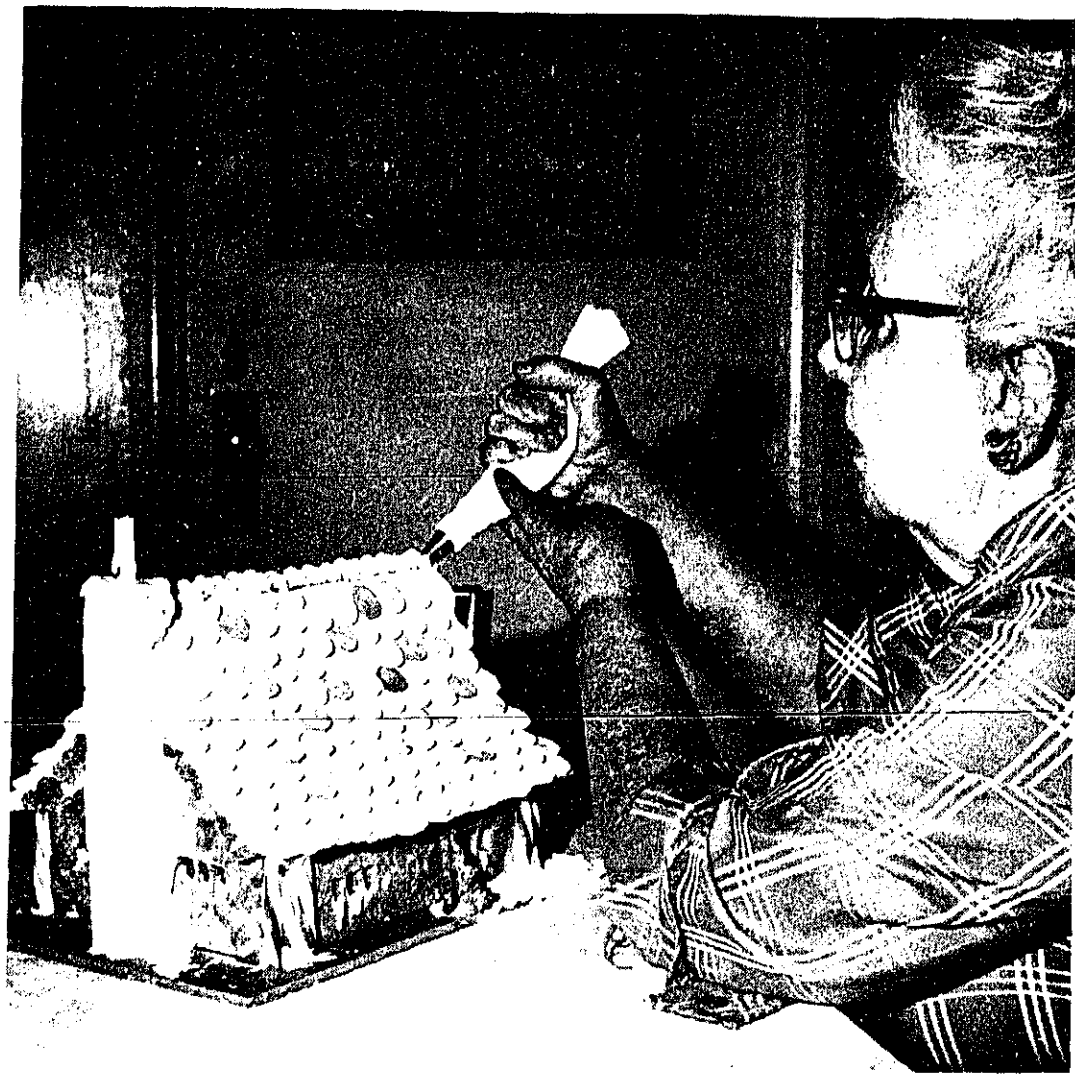
Delbert Martin of Caro was sentenced to 90 days in jail with 19 days' credit following a probation violation hearing. He violated his probation when he was convicted of furnishing beer to two minor boys. He was placed on probation following a conviction of simple assault.

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"If It Fitz . . ."

I can't help crying

BY JIM FITZGERALD



It seems reasonable that most people laugh more at Christmas time. Ho Ho Ho and please slosh the wassail bowl in my direction. So why do I cry more?

It's not that there isn't a lot of holiday merriment at our home. Zounds!

Because of 2 crazed teenagers, Johnny Mathis has been singing The Christmas Song at our place since September, which is bloody agony for a Scrooge like me (chestnuts roasting on an open wound).

I received a mistletoe kiss on Thanksgiving, causing me to blush (the affection didn't embarrass me. But every time a female relative touches me, I automatically clutch my wallet. This parsimonious reaction was embarrassing, under the circumstances. Something like biting the horse that feeds you the Gift of the Magi. So I had the decency to blush).

It is too much too soon for me. But that isn't what makes me cry. On the contrary, it is too laugh . . .

Each year I crab mightily about starting Christmas too soon and spending too much money on gifts. And every Christmas my family starts sooner and spends more. My wife explains this easily:

"You don't mean what you say," she says. "You really love a 4-month Christmas."

Then we all laugh because the family joke is that only Mother knows what her family likes. The criteria is simple: Does she like it? Yes. Then we all like it.

It could be spinach or the invasion of Cambodia. Mother knows best, so shut up and giggle at the centerpiece that plays Jingle Bells in August. . .

The first crying is usually prompted by those TV Christmas dramas. The first one this year was about a little girl

whose father wouldn't buy her a Christmas tree because trees reminded him of his dead wife (she must have been a real stick). And when this mistreated girl did get a tree, she turned around and gave it to another little girl who had no dad at all and her mother couldn't afford to make her an angel costume for the Christmas play.

Wow. I can't help it, I watch those dumb shows and bawl like a nut. The tears drip on my newspaper, plop-plop, and the kids nudge each other and say, "There goes ol' Weepy again."

Then my wife comes along and makes it worse. She has just been teaching a little boy in shabby clothes whose father recently killed himself. "What

kind of a Christmas will they have at that house?" she asks.

Oh wow. Comes the flood. This isn't TV, it's real. And it doesn't do much good to kick out \$50 to make a kid happier, because I know there are thousands of other kids who aren't going to have a Merry Christmas at all, no matter how much I give — or cry. So I go hide and cry some more.

This isn't behaving rationally, I know. But there it is, the embarrassing truth.

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Mr. and Mrs. Howard King and daughter, Paula McGrath, of Troy were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Morrison.

Mrs. Aaron Turner received word of the birth of her first great-grandchild, a daughter, Kasey Jill, born Dec. 13 to Mr. and Mrs. Don Severance of Flint.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Lounsbury had as Sunday dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Hutchinson and Mr. and Mrs. Philip Brack.

Clayton Turner and son Rick of Lapeer visited Mr. Turner's mother, Mrs. Aaron Turner, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Evans and Brenda were honored at a farewell fellowship following the Sunday evening service at the Baptist church. They were presented a gift of money. Refreshments were served. The Evanses expect to leave Dec. 26 en route to the mission field in Peru.

Name Lynn

Johnston to

Dean's List

Lynn M. Johnston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Johnston, 4604 Oak St., Cass City, was named to the Dean's List for fall term at Northwood Institute in Midland where she is a sophomore in Executive Secretarial training.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student must earn a 3.0 or above grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

BETROTHED



BECKY ANN HOLIK

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Holik of Cass City announce the engagement of their daughter, Becky Ann, to John D. Remsing of Gagetown. He is the son of Mrs. Martha Remsing of Gagetown.

A June wedding is planned.

Mrs. Dailey Parrish's Girl Scout Troop 272 held their Christmas party Tuesday, Dec. 19, at Mrs. Parrish's home. Games were played and gifts exchanged.

Mr. and Mrs. George Jetta and Mr. and Mrs. Don Lorentzen were Sunday dinner guests of the Misses Doris Gardner and Anne Marie Lorentzen in Saginaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Holm and Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Zapfe were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Zapfe and family at Clio for an early Christmas gift exchange.

Mrs. Grace Law of Royal Oak was a week-end guest in the Leo Ware home and Sunday accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Stanley McArthur to Caro to visit Mrs. Martha Clement in the Tuscola County Medical Care Facility.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Auten will have with them over Christmas, John Starmann of Falmouth, who will come Friday, and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Mulligan and daughter Anne Elizabeth of Arlington Hts., who will come Sunday.

Miss Mardi Auten, a student at Ferris State College, Big Rapids, came Friday to spend the holidays at her parental home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Jersey of Boyne City will come to spend Christmas with their daughter and family, the Charles Autens.

Miss JoAnn Bigelow of Birmingham and her mother, Mrs. A. N. Bigelow, will join Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Auten and family for Christmas Day.

The birthdays of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Geiger were celebrated Sunday at the home of Mrs. Geiger's mother, Mrs. Irma Hicks, when dinner guests were the Ronald Geigers, son Scott and daughter Sally and Mr. and Mrs. Martin Hyzer and daughter Lori of Caseville.

Couple wed in Washington state

Marjorie Ann Ellison and ETN2 Robert G. Hendershot were united in marriage at the Edmonds United Methodist Church at Edmonds, Wash., Nov. 4.

The Rev. Frank E. Brown officiated for the daughter of Mrs. Rose Allen and the late Richard Ellison of Lynnwood, Wash., and the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Hendershot of Gagetown.

Colin Guthmuller, brother-in-law of the bride, gave the bride away.

The bride fashioned her Empire gown of white bridal satin, with pearls on blue ribbon tracing the mandarin collar, leg of mutton sleeves and the Empire waistline, then cascading down the A-line skirt and hem of the double rows of satin ruffles which extended into a train. A camelot cap of satin, chantilly lace and pearls held her cathedral veil.

Her bouquet was formed of white chrysanthemums, step-

Donald Loomis and his mother, Mrs. Howard Loomis, attended the oyster supper Saturday evening at the Masonic temple in Gagetown.

Mr. and Mrs. David Loomis had as Sunday evening dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Werdeman and Mrs. Howard Loomis.

Miss Rose Cook of Lansing spent the week end of Dec. 9 and 10 with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. William Cook.

Miss Christine Craig, a junior at CMU at Mt. Pleasant, came Friday and will be at her home for a month.

Mrs. Edward Anthes, who had been a patient for 10 days in St. Luke's Hospital in Saginaw following hip surgery, returned to her home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Craig and Mrs. Arthur Little attended a family dinner and Christmas party Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Chenoweth near Grand Blanc. Twenty-five relatives from Big Rapids, Colwood, Caro, Center Line, Richfield and Cass City attended.

Ten adult members of the Progressive class of Salem United Methodist church and their families met at the church Thursday evening, Dec. 14, for a work meeting. The group decorated the church Christmas tree and packed candy for distribution. They also arranged plates of Christmas cookies which the youngsters delivered to elderly and shut-in members of the church. The January meeting will be at the Harve Walter home and election of officers will be on the agenda for the business meeting.

Mrs. Manuel Benitez was guest of honor Thursday evening at a pink and blue shower given by her mother-in-law, Mrs. Benitez, at Elkton. Those from here who attended besides the guest of honor were Mrs. Don DeLong and Mrs. Howard Loomis.

anotis and baby's breath. The matron of honor, Mrs. Susan Guthmuller, sister of the bride, and Mrs. Jane Priest, bridesmaid, wore identical gowns of royal blue velvet with Empire waistline and short puff sleeves. Each carried a single long stemmed yellow chrysanthemum.

The mothers wore dinner gowns. Mrs. Allen chose an apple green crepe, and Mrs. Hendershot, a forest green velvet. Both wore a corsage of yellow orchids.

Jay Guthmuller, nephew of the bride, was her page. Best man was Dale Wood and ushers were Ron Smith and Don Baxter.

Hostesses at the reception at the church were Ms. Brooke Frandsen, Diane Lassoie, Marie Prather and Marty Baxter. Guests attended from Port Angeles, Seattle, Edmonds, Wash.; Coos Bay, Oregon, and Antioch, Cal.

The new Mr. and Mrs. Hendershot flew to Michigan to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Hendershot of Gagetown.

They were guests at his sister's home, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Withey of Cass City, for a family reception. His parents held open house Nov. 9, where 70 friends gathered to greet the new couple.

They returned to Washington where they will make their home and he is stationed in the Navy.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Morrison of Detroit were overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Morrison Thursday night.

Mrs. Gerald Whittaker, OES grand committeewoman, attended the annual Christmas party at the Masonic home in Alma Dec. 13 sponsored by the Grand chapter. Those assisting with the party visited each resident in his or her room, after which there was a tea for the residents and those helping with the party. Each resident was presented with a gift. Becky Whittaker accompanied her mother to Alma.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherwell Kelly of New Boston came Saturday and were overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Fisher Sr. They went in by snowmobile Saturday afternoon to visit Mrs. Kelly's father, Theo Hendrick, who is again in his home after undergoing hip surgery.

On Christmas Sunday, at the close of the service of worship at the Presbyterian church, each family will receive a seasonal folder with the annual Christmas poem by Melvin R. Vender, a custom for the past 27 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin R. Vender, along with cousins and friends, will have Christmas dinner at the home of Mrs. Velma Snodons.

Gavel Club has 4th annual tree sale

As part of their annual Cub Scout Christmas Tree Sale, the Gavel Club "hired" four Boy Scouts to work at the lot on Main Street to help them earn money for a Jamboree next summer.

The boys are Wayne Wood, Bill Juhasz, Rich Lautner and Terry Vollmer.

This is the fourth annual sale sponsored by the Gavel Club and will earn the club about \$400 if all trees are sold. The order for trees this year was increased from 100 to 200 trees, said Gavel member Ron Geiger.

The profits from the sale go to the Cub Scouts.

George Cook finishes Marine basic training



Marine Pvt. George R. Cook, son of Mr. and Mrs. Enos Cook of 4440 Bad Axe Road, Uby, graduated from basic training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego recently. He is a former student of Uby High School.

Hills and Dales General Hospital

BIRTHS:

Dec. 12 to Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Spencer of Cass City, a girl, Sheila June.

Dec. 14 to Mr. and Mrs. Lee Fader of Caro, a boy, Robert.

Dec. 15 to Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand Schulz of Owendale, a boy, Edward Thomas.

Dec. 17 to Mr. and Mrs. Noel Lloyd of Gagetown, a girl.

PATIENTS LISTED MONDAY, DEC. 18, WERE:

Mrs. Basil Wotton, Mrs. Joseph Windy, Mrs. Clarence Schneeberger, Paul Murray, Mrs. James Milligan, Connie Schneeberger, James Landholt, Timmy Brinkman, Miles Dodge, Milton Gelatt and Kenneth Eisinger of Cass City; Mrs. Theodore Turrubiates, Mrs. Edwin Stewart and Lloyd Stafford of Owendale; Virginia Goslin, Mrs. Anna Hambleton, Amy Jo Ondrajka, Ralph Pomeroy, Mrs. Ted Saelens and Mrs. Herbert Strieter of Unionville; Mrs. Harvey Pelton, Mrs. Mary Faszczka of Deford; Rev. James White of Detroit; Joann Emery, Leonard McLean, Mrs. Harold Phelps of Snover; William Warack of Gagetown; John Kroetsch of Argyle; Edward Everett of Pontiac; Mrs. C. Lydia Davis, Mrs. Lillie Volz of Pigeon; Mrs. Edna Beyer, Joseph Bursa, Loyel Curtis, Mrs. Ivah Gildart of Caro; Mrs. Leita Solomon of Uby; Mrs. Ethel Radabaugh of Sebawaing.

Marriage Licenses

Aaron George Klouse, 23, of Millington and Mary Ella Zimmerman, 21, of Vassar. Dean Dwight Reinstra, 27, of Cass City and Mary Anne McIntyre, 23, of Caro. Everett Barnhart, 65, and Oma R. Brown, 62, both of Caro. Earl Alfred Fiebig, 18, of Sebawaing and Marilyn Kay Binder, 18, of Unionville. Larry Frank Vermersch, 25, of Unionville and Debbie Irene Downing, 23, of Akron. Kirk Thomas Rales, 20, and Rae Ann Shaddeau, 18, both of Vassar. Ronald James Lashuay, 19, of Indian River and Sandra Lee Sparling, 22, of Vassar. Charles Bernard Sherman, 22, of Vassar and Phyllis Kay Hallberg, 22, of Fountain. Wayne Leslie Shurlock, 20, and Carol Sue Hebert, 21, both of Vassar.

Mrs. Bullock dies Sunday

Mrs. Luella Bullock, 86, died Sunday, Dec. 17, at the Tuscola County Medical Care Facility in Caro. She had been ill five years.

Mrs. Bullock was born in Strathroy, Ont., June 12, 1886. Her parents were Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Frank. She moved to the Cass City area when she was a child, and was married to George Bullock June 10, 1904, in Evergreen township. Her husband died Nov. 1, 1943.

Mrs. Bullock was a member of the Mizpah Missionary church, where she taught Sunday School for many years.

Surviving are: two daughters, Mrs. Clark (Myrtle) Montague of Caro and Mrs. Ralph (Marion) Perry of Cass City; a sister, Mrs. Berniece Ottaway of Cass City; nine grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren, and four great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Mizpah Missionary church. Rev. Richard Culp and Rev. Harold Knight officiated. Burial was in Elkland cemetery. Little's Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

ENGAGED



SUE HOLODNICK

Mr. and Mrs. John Holodnick of Caseville announce the engagement of their daughter Sue to Michael Healy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Healy of Cass City.

A January 13 wedding is planned.

FROM THE LITTER BOX

Christmas meet

By Kit McMillion



More and more Christmas seems to be getting like the cereal Trix.

Christmas is for kids.

I'm reminded of this every year I see an innocent wide-eyed child sit on a commercial Santa's lap and stare into his eyes and gaze with awe at the huge fluffy synthetic beard.

Even a hardened cynic like myself recaptures some of the magic once known and the anticipation for THE MORNING when the gifts were mysteriously placed under the tree.

I'm not really the Scrooge a previous column would have some people believe I am. I just wish I were a kid again.

I was reminded of this again last week when I took some pictures of the handicapped youngsters as they gleefully filled into the Cass Theatre for a free show. For those little kids I don't think anything else is quite as anticipated as that show.

The gentle innocence of these children was so beautifully displayed in their acceptance of the candy and the eagerness to shake Santa's hand.

After one strong greeting, a boy responded by coming forward and stroking Santa's beard, while Santa kept up his facade by hanging onto the white fluff with his teeth.

The smiles, the special look children hold in their eyes when they are happy were very evident. The thrill of the whole affair prompted one youngster to plant a big kiss on Santa.

Now that is Christmas spirit. The freedom for expression of joy felt inside is the real Christmas spirit.

And it saddens me to know we outgrow it.

I don't think I've seen one person on the streets yet that looked actually happy about the task of buying holiday presents. It's just a chore, unfortunately.

Now if people were more free to be themselves, they'd either not buy all those presents if they didn't want to, and not feel guilty, or they'd just buy the ones they wanted to without feeling OBLIGATED.

Joy, Christmas spirit and giving are tainted by obligation and the feeling of resentment.

To really enjoy Christmas, I think a person has to be free enough to respond without inhibition.

But then to enjoy life any day of the year or century, you have to feel free enough to do that. Freedom has always been one of my favorite topics.

And it doesn't mean freedom under a free government, or freedom to wear what you want or go places.

ENGAGED



The engagement is being announced of Marlene Fiebig to Robert Hunter. Marlene is the daughter of Mrs. Leona Fiebig and the late Arnold Fiebig of Sebawaing, and Robert is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hunter of Mayville.

A June 23 wedding is being planned.

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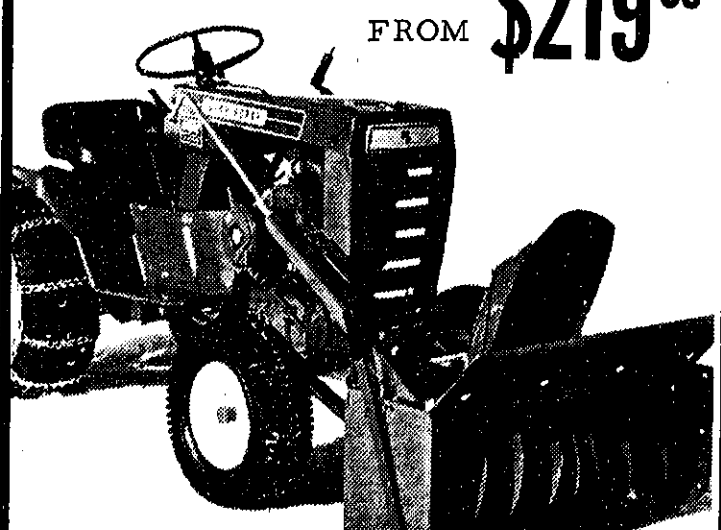
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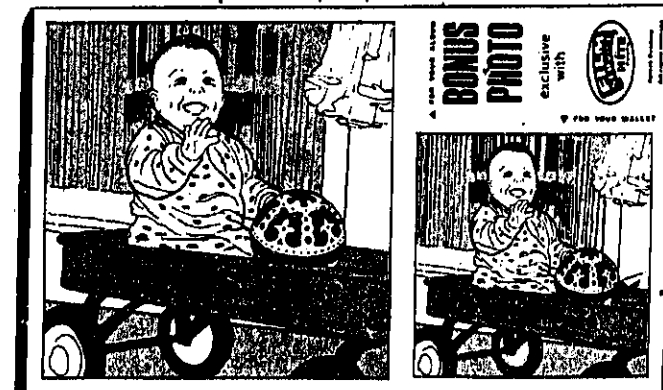


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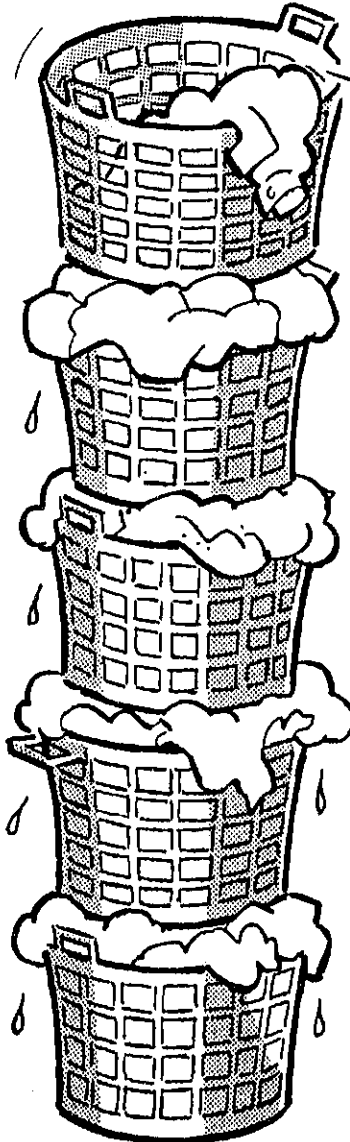
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High Team Series: Bargals 2153, Fox Trots 2117.
High Team Games: Bargals 792, Fox Trots 769.

High Women's Series: R. Gallaway 450, P. Allen 439, W. Lebloda 431, S. Nicholas 429, P. McIntosh 420, R. Martin 417, B. Nitz 405, N. Wright 400.

High Women's Games: W. Lebloda 169, R. Gallaway 168-154, L. Fox 166, P. Allen 159, S. Beach 159, P. McIntosh 159, S. Nicholas 154.

High Men's Series: R. Nicholas 519, L. Bartle 500.
High Men's Games: R. Nicholas 211, V. Gallaway 184, L. Bartle 183-179, J. Martin 179, D. Allen 175.

Splits Converted: L. Wright, J. Wright, L. Fox, R. Nicholas 3-10, L. Bartle 3-10 twice, R. Gallaway, G. King 5-6.

SUNDAY NIGHT JUNIORS

Lucky Strikes 24
Cobras 20
Brewers 20
Nut Squaders 15
Nite Hawks 15
Freshmen 10
Loser Inc. 7
Hopefuls 3

High Team Series: Lucky Strikes 1380, Nut Squaders 1326.

THURSDAY NIGHT TRIO

Smith 19
Van Dale 15 1/2
Allen Sunoco 14
Nemeth's Dairy 14
Francis Builders 13 1/2
Carpenter's Dairy 10
Drave's Distributing 5
Cottick's Radiator 5

High Team Series: Francis Builders 1512, Van Dale 1479.
High Team Games: Francis Builders 557, Allen Sunoco 556.

High Individual Series: D. Doerr 580, F. Schott 572, T. Furness 523, L. Smith 515, Dale Smith 513, K. Grady 501.

High Individual Games: D. Doerr 224-198, F. Schott 207-188-177, L. Smith 200, P. Davis 198, E. Francis 193, T. Furness 187-181, B. Babich 184, Dan Allen 183, Dave Allen 182, G. Wichert 182.

High Team Series: G. Lapp 205-195, P. Mathewson 188.
High Men's Series: G. Lapp 576, T. Furness 533, L. Tracy 523.

High Men's Games: M. Frederick 184, N. Wright 183, D. Tracy 181.
High Women's Series: N. Wright 468, D. Tracy 466, M. LaPeer (sub) 466.

High Men's Games: T. Furness 207, G. Lapp 205-195, P. Mathewson 188.
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High Team Game: Yellow Jackets 675.
High Team Series: Yellow Jackets 1930.

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Deford

Mrs. Frank Little
Phone 872-3583

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hicks returned Friday from a six-day trip to Los Angeles, Calif. They visited Disneyland and other places of interest.

About a dozen members of the Lamotte Missionary church, among them Mrs. Fred Becknell, visited Mrs. Eva Ashcroft Sunday afternoon. Later in the day, 20 members of the Shabbona Methodist church, led by Rev. and Mrs. Carl Shamblen, called on Mrs. Ashcroft. Both groups sang and had prayer.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gregg of Snover, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Smith and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Leach of Vassar were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Churchill and celebrated the Churchills' wedding anniversary.

George Germaine dies in Saginaw

Services were held for George A. Germaine, 69, 10 a.m. Monday from Hunter's Funeral Home in Saginaw. Burial was in the old Bay Port cemetery, with the pastor of the Wisner Methodist Church officiating.

Germaine died Thursday, Dec. 14, at the Saginaw Veterans' Hospital.

He was born Aug. 8, 1913, at Bay Port, the son of the late Daniel and Amelia Germaine. He was married to his wife,

Margaret, at South Bend, Ind., Aug. 8, 1954.

He is survived by his widow; three step-daughters: Mrs. James McLemore of Unionville, Mrs. Clifton Abbott of Standish and Mrs. Ora Kelpner of Caro; one stepson, Clinton Smith of Flint; two sisters: Mrs. Eva Ebbas of Arizona, and three brothers: Carl and Willard, both of Oscoda, and Hazen of Davison.

Intermediate School Honor students

Students earning listing on the honor roll from the intermediate school were named this week. A + before the name indicates all A's.

EIGHTH GRADE

Rebecca Arroyo, +Laura Bauer, Larry Bitterling, Tom Brinkman, Beth Erla, Eric Frederick, Shelly Gallagher, +Luann Gallaway, Lori Hampshire, Christine Krueger, Brenda LaPeer, Brenda Little, Kurt Little, +Noreen MacCallum, Phillip Martin, +Karen Perry, Rick Selby, Laura Smith, Kathleen Toner, +Ann Whittaker.

SEVENTH GRADE

Susan Asher, +Steve Ballard, Karen Brown, Paula Butler, Joyce Daley, +Joan Freiburger, Jesse Groth, Glenn Guilds, Lora Gutierrez, Russell Bye, Bill Hurt, +Jane Hutchinson, Pete Kessler, Sue Knight, +Julie Landholt, Ron Langmaid, Cindy Little, +Debbie Lockwood, Judy Luana, Cheri Martin, +Janet Murdie, Carl Nizzola, Mike Palmer, Mike Richards, Ross Dean Ridenour, Dean Severance, Linda Sieradzki, Diane Smith, Dwayne Smith, Debra Sowden, +Beth Tracy, +Barb Tuckey, +Karen Wagg, Sally Ware, Wendy Ware, +Janice Wentworth.

SIXTH GRADE

Charles Brown, Sara Brown, Don Doerr, Laurie Frederick, Kenneth Frederick, Paul Guernsey, Sandy Guinther, Rita Gutierrez, Jeff Hanby, Karen Heckroth, Frances Kozan, Sherree Lapeer, Hope LaPonsie, Gail Laszlo, Dwight Loeding, Mary Lockwood, Marie Luana, Cynthia Mackowiak, Terry MacKay, Genevieve Peddie, Kelly Pobanz, Jeff Priekorn, Kurt Proctor, Dale Rabideau, Cindy Rosenberger, Renee Schember, Jim Somerville, Linda Spencer, Mike Truemmer, Maryke Venema, Cindy Ware, Laurie Ware, Becky Whittaker, Kelli Winter.

FIFTH GRADE

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Pvt. Englehart completes Marine training

Marine Pvt. Delbert A. Englehart, 17, is stationed in Camp Pendleton, Calif., following completion of his basic training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego.



Delbert A. Englehart

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert D. Englehart, 5634 E. DeLong Road, Cass City. The private attended Cass City High School.

His address is: Pvt. Englehart D.A. 373-62-3124 CA 22-73 ITS 2nd Platoon MCB Camp Pendleton, Calif. 92055.

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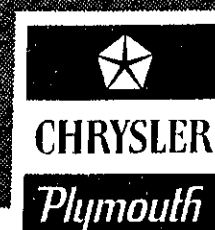
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4-H ACTIVITIES

Snowmobile safety training

By Bernard Jardot



Several Tuscola County 4-H clubs are offering Snowmobile Safety Training for youth between the ages of 12 and 16. These clubs are part of their regular 4-H club or in many cases they have been set up as a separate snowmobile 4-H club.

Who needs Snowmobile Safety Training? Anyone between the ages of 12 and 16 may not operate a snowmobile in Michigan unless: (1) they have in their possession a snowmobile safety certificate; (2) or, he

is under the direct supervision of a person who is 18 years of age or older; (3) or, he is on land owned or under the control of his parent or legal guardian.

Also, a person under 12 may not operate a snowmobile without the direct supervision of an adult except on lands owned or under the control of a parent or guardian.

New 4-H snowmobile clubs may be organized or the course can be set up in a club now organized. The first step to follow is to contact the county 4-H office, Civil Defense Center, Caro. The 4-H office will furnish the application form to certify the leader and to issue free insurance by the State of Michigan. Also, we will furnish the leader manual, member manual, test and youth certification forms free of charge. There is no charge for the 4-H Snowmobile Safety Program.

If you have youth between the ages of 12 and 16 who need this training, contact your local 4-H club to see if they now have plans for the Snowmobile Safety Program or will set one up. Otherwise, call the 4-H office at 673-3161 for more information.

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION GENERAL

State of Michigan.
Probate Court for the County of Tuscola. File No. 21840.
Estate of John W. Battel, Deceased.

It is Ordered that on March 8, 1973, at nine a.m., in the Probate Courtroom in the Village of Caro, Michigan a hearing be held at which all creditors are required to prove their claims, and legal heirs will be determined. Creditors must file sworn claims with the Court and serve a copy on F. B. Auten of Cass City, prior to said hearing.


Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

Dated: December 14, 1972.

C. Bates Willis, Judge of Probate.

A true copy.
Beatrice P. Berry, Register of Probate.

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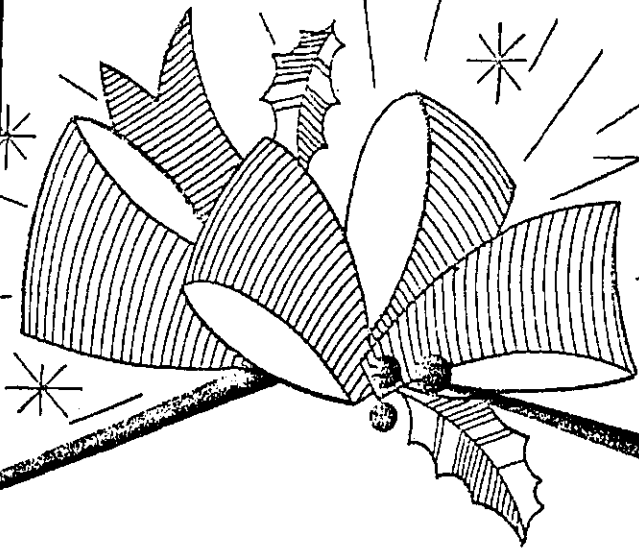
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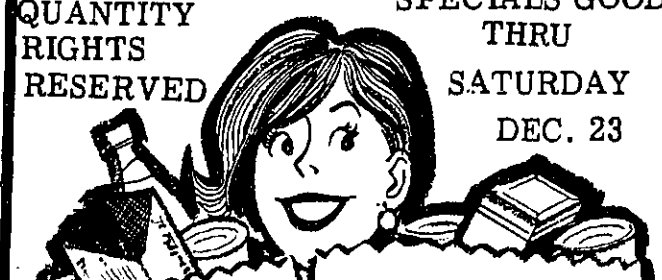
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Novesta church elects officers

Church and Sunday school officers for the coming year were elected at the annual

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State of Michigan. File No. 21675.

Probate Court for the County of Tuscola.

Estate of Laura Retherford, Deceased.

It is Ordered that on January 11, 1973, at 9:30 a.m., in the Probate Courtroom in the Village of Caro, Michigan, a hearing be held on the petition of George Harmon, administrator w/w a for license to sell real estate of said deceased.

Persons interested in said estate are directed to appear at said hearing to show cause why such license should not be granted.

Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

Dated: December 7, 1972.

C. Bates Wills, Judge of Probate.

A true copy.

Beatrice P. Berry, Register of Probate.

meeting held Monday evening at the Novesta Church of Christ.

Church officers include: chairman of the board, Lee Hartel; clerk, Harold Little; treasurer, Mrs. Ray Peasley; and organist, Mrs. Arthur Pratt.

Chairman of the flower committee is Mrs. Bud Peasley; music chairman, Mrs. Helen Little; and ushers, Leo Ware, David Ware, Maurice Justin, Dean Little, Skip Speirs and Jim Warju.

Other church officers include: deacons, Edward Anthes, Robert Speirs and Jack Hartwick; junior deacons, David and Dennis Little and Scott Hartel; trustee, Kenneth Nye, and deaconess, Mrs. David Ware.

Sunday school officers elected are: Bible school superintendent, Ray Peasley; assistant, Don Englehart; secretary, Mrs. Lee Hartel; treasurer, Mrs. Ken Nye, and pianist, Carol Little. Junior Bible school superintendent is Mrs. Leo Ware; junior Bible school pianist, Mrs. Roger Reid; cradle roll superintendent, Mrs. Lester Auten Jr., and publicity chairman, Mrs. Thelma Pratt.

Down Memory Lane

FROM THE FILES OF THE CHRONICLE

FIVE YEARS AGO

The Cass City Village Council accepted with regret the resignation of Glenn "Scotty" McCullough.

The Cass City Village Council granted village employees a 10 per cent across the board increase. The package will cost village taxpayers more than \$5,500 annually.

David MacRae, son of Dr. and Mrs. K. Ivan MacRae, and Leslie Searles, son of the Rev. and Mrs. R. J. Searles, will be among 63 students from Oakland University, Rochester, who will spend the winter semester studying in England.

For the first time in history a deer shot in the Cass City area was big enough to rank in a state-wide contest. The trophy animal was shot by Jim Knowlton and was the fourth best in

the 11th annual "Michigan Outdoors" contest. The buck had 17 antler points and a spread worth 21 inches.

Authorities at Thumb Appliance Center in Cass City announced this week that Jay Sugden, former owner of Jay's Motor Service, has joined the staff of that company.

TEN YEARS AGO

Whether or not Cass City will continue to have Greyhound bus service will depend on the effectiveness of a number of petitions being circulated in the village and other towns served by the bus line. According to a new bus schedule recently released, the entire Thumb area service will be discontinued.

Five Cass City persons were awarded diplomas certifying them to act as instructors in the

county's Civil Defense Self-help Medical Assistance Program. Awarded certificates were Sharon Allen, Dorothy Tracy, Lucille Wotton, Al Avery and Lyle Richardson.

Ralph Gauer has resigned his post as a member of the board of directors of Hills and Dales General Hospital. The board appointed B. A. "Curly" Calka to replace Gauer on the board.

Lorn "Slim" Hillaker has graduated from the Reich School of Auctioneering. He returned to Cass City after completing the course at the Mason City, Iowa, school.

If you've got a dog that is worth anything, better be careful. In recent weeks, there has been an epidemic of thefts in the area. One lady, who wishes to remain anonymous, said that she has lost three beagles. Charles Becker reports that he has lost two Brittany's.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

William Ebert, who erected a cement block garage building on North Maple St. within the past year, has sold the same to James Sowden, who will use it as a paint and bump shop.

Bobby Fisher received attention at the Morris Hospital when he received a bad cut on the head, caused when an icicle struck him.

Donna Crawford, Cass City junior at Central Michigan College, participated in the biannual Christmas pageant. Miss Crawford sang a solo from the orchestra pit. The pageant was sponsored by the college music department.

Friday, Monday and Tuesday were moving days for three families. The Clarence Burts left their home on Woodland Ave. for their new residence on East Third Street. Monday, the William Joos family moved from their recently sold Elkland township farm to the Burt house on Woodland, which they have purchased, and Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stine and son moved to the Joos farm which they purchased last fall.

Dr. R. L. Dixon, superintendent of the Caro State Hospital, was appointed acting director of the State Mental Health Commission by Gov. Sigler.

Workmen have almost completed an addition, 16x26 feet in size, to the Health Sunoco Service station on East Main Street. The added room will be used for washing automobiles.

The fire siren which has been stationed on the building which houses the Elkland Roller Mills had reason to be alarmed on Friday morning if inanimate objects are subject to fear. Shortly after seven o'clock, the siren sounded an alarm of fire and summoned fire ladders to the mill which was burning. The flames threatened to destroy the foundation upon which the siren had reposed so securely for so many years.

At a special meeting of the village council the bids of the two local banks to purchase the general obligation bonds of the village was accepted. At the election held May 10th last, Cass City citizens by a vote of 148 to 12 voted to bond the village for \$14,000 to provide the amount the village council deemed necessary for raising the village's portion of the estimated \$89,000 necessary to construct a sewer system and sewage disposal plant here.

Through the generosity of individuals, local churches, societies and clubs, the Human Needs Committee of the Christian Citizenship League were able to distribute 20 boxes of food and clothing among needy families of the community.

From North Muskegon comes praise of the successful presentation of the play by the seniors of the schools of that city, much of the credit for its success being given to Miss Leone Lee, teacher of dramatics and of high school glee clubs. A cantata, "The Adoration," presented under Miss Lee's direction, was pronounced a very fine production. Miss Lee spent the Christmas vacation here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Lee.

Holbrook Area News

Mrs. Thelma Jackson

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EXTENSION PARTY

The Greenleaf Extension group met Thursday afternoon for their Christmas tea and party at the home of Mrs. Frank Laming.

A film on cancer to be shown to women of Sanilac county at Wildwood Farms restaurant Jan. 8 was discussed.

The annual mystery auction was held and gifts were exchanged.

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The Shabbona RLDS church children's Christmas party was Friday evening at the church.

Mrs. Jim Doerr and Mrs. Curtis Cleland attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord Lapeer were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Timmons at Owendale.

Mrs. Lynn Hurford, Scott and Debbie of Cass City, Mrs. Charles Bond and Susie, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Decker and Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Jackson were Friday visitors at the home of Mrs. Emma Decker in Cass City.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Spencer and Bill attended the Huron County Shrine Club dinner at Wildwood Farms restaurant Friday evening. The Director Staff Band entertained the group. Each family donated \$2.00 for gifts for Crippled Children's Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Cleland visited Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Spencer in Cass City Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Shagena of Unionville were Saturday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Shagena.

Mr. and Mrs. George Jackson Jr. and family of Oxford and Mr. and Mrs. Doug Morell were Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Don Jackson and Melissa. Other evening guests were Mr. and Mrs. Mike Dreger and daughter.

Wayne Champagne spent the week end with Randy Schenk. Scott Nicol spent the week end with Jeff Finkbeiner in Cass City.

4-H CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sixteen members of the Fun Flowers 4-H group met Wednesday evening at the home of Becky Robinson.

After the regular meeting Christmas poems were read by candlelight. Each member told what they were thankful for. After gifts were exchanged the group sang carols. A recreation period followed and a lunch was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tyrrell visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Keenoy at Lansing Friday evening and Saturday attended an all-state Moorman feed meeting and dinner at Charlotte Saturday.

Mrs. Gaylord Lapeer won a \$28 gift certificate from a store in Bad Axe on a radio jackpot quiz program Tuesday.

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Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol spent from Friday till Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Dave Matthews Jr. and family.

Mrs. Cliff Glaza and Ricky of Detroit spent a few days at the Ronnie Gracey home while Mrs. Gracey was a patient in Huron Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Gracey came home Thursday.

Mrs. Dorothy Malm of Norway in the Upper Peninsula was a Tuesday overnight guest of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Robinson and Becky.

Mrs. Clarence Eekenswiller of Argyle, Mrs. Curtis Cleland and Mrs. Jim Doerr spent Tuesday in Port Huron.

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band concert at Cass City High School Sunday afternoon.

FARM BUREAU

The Young Ideas Farm Bureau group met Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sweeney. Ray Depcinski led the discussion on "Line Fences".

After the meeting cards were played and high prizes were won by Mrs. Vern Krug and Clarence Heleski. Low prizes were won by Mrs. Ray Depcinski and Joe Dybbas.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Van Erp.

The hostess served a lunch.

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Mrs. Isadore Morell came home Thursday after spending several days in Huron Memorial Hospital in Bad Axe.

Judy Smithers was a Wednesday overnight guest of Becky Robinson.

Mrs. Jim Doerr and Mrs. Curtis Cleland attended the women's department Christmas party at the RLDS Shabbona church annex Thursday evening. The hostess, Mrs. Don Smith, served a lunch. Christmas gifts were exchanged.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord Lapeer attended a birthday party for Victoria Petrevicev at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Delos Neal in Cass City Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard O'Berski of Parisville, Mr. and Mrs. Lucas Priemer of Helena, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Priemer of Harbor Beach, Mr. and Mrs. John Glaza of Uby and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sofka were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. John O'Berski at their home at Summer Haven, where they helped Lucas Priemer celebrate his 86th birthday.

Tiffany Silver spent Friday with Mrs. Dave Sweeney.

Jack Pelton visited Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Armstead of Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Armstead and sons of Troy were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Murill Shagena.



AROUND THE FARM

Soil Ridging

by William Bortel

We had two plots in 1972 to observe the effects of soil ridging on corn and sugar beets. The ground was fall plowed and a special tool designed to form ridges 12 inches high and 30 inches apart. This provided a ridge for planting in the spring anticipating no tillage was needed.

The results proved that we could spring plant on medium textured soil with no tillage and excellent coverage of seed. The ground temperature was approximately 4 degrees warmer in the ridge compared to the check on level ground. However, greater moisture between the ridges allowed for no earlier planting than observed on regular fields.

We would like to try wider ridges which are wide enough for two rows. This would allow one to run the tractor and planter tires on top of the ridges for planting. We believe by running the tires on top of the

ridges, one can plant earlier because the ridges dry out faster and are warmer.

Mrs. Toner

hosts WCTU

Mrs. Edith Toner was hostess Thursday for the Evergreen Women's Christian Temperance Union at her home. Ten were present.

The meeting was in keeping with the Christmas time Christmas songs were sung. Devotions included a reading of the birth of Jesus, and prayers for peace.

The decorated Christmas tree was unloaded with gifts for all and a Christmas luncheon was served by Mrs. Toner and Mrs. Hosner.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Elsie Anthes.

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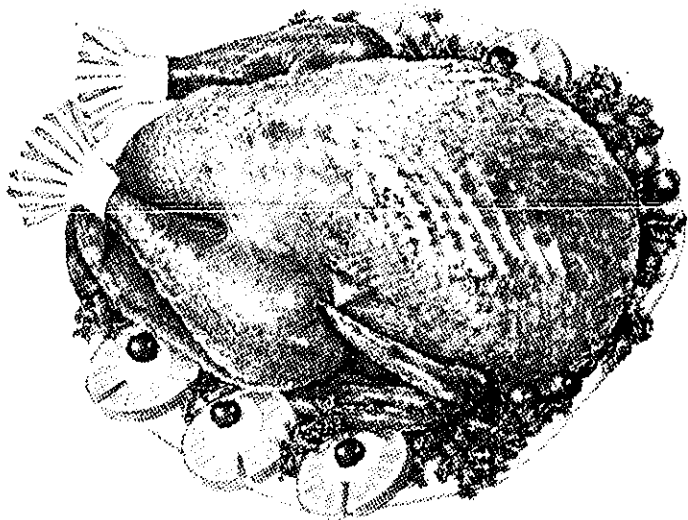
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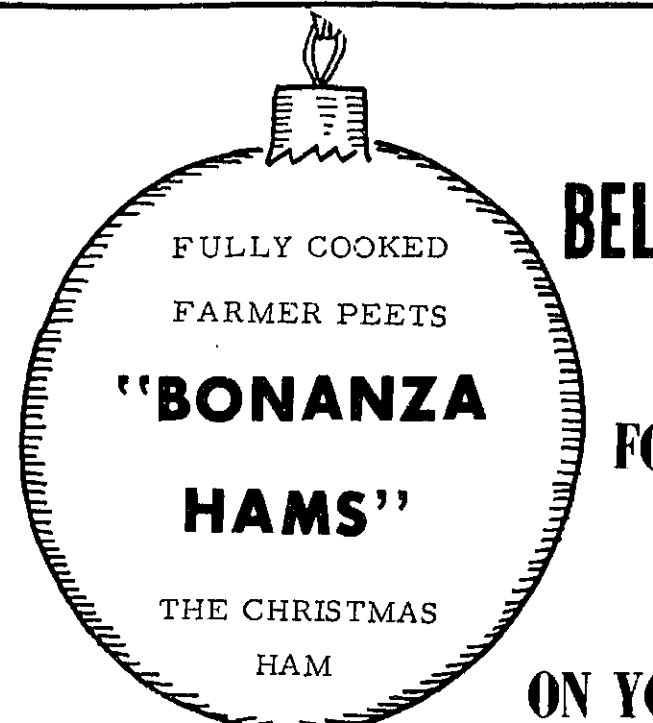
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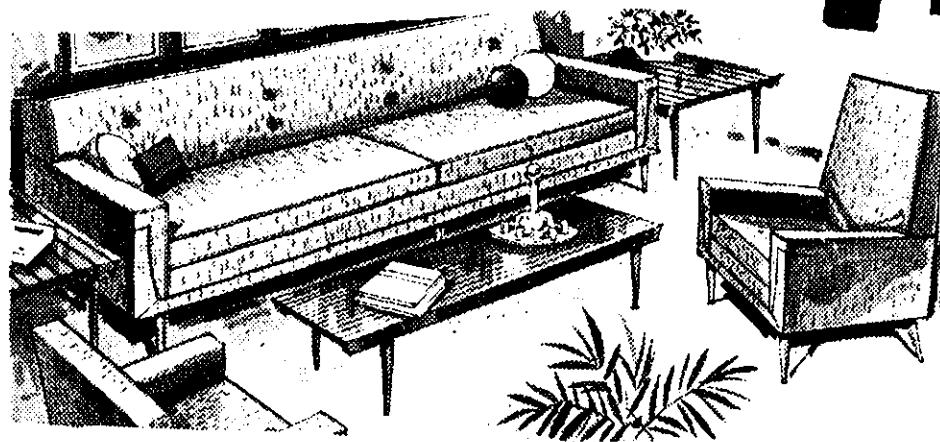
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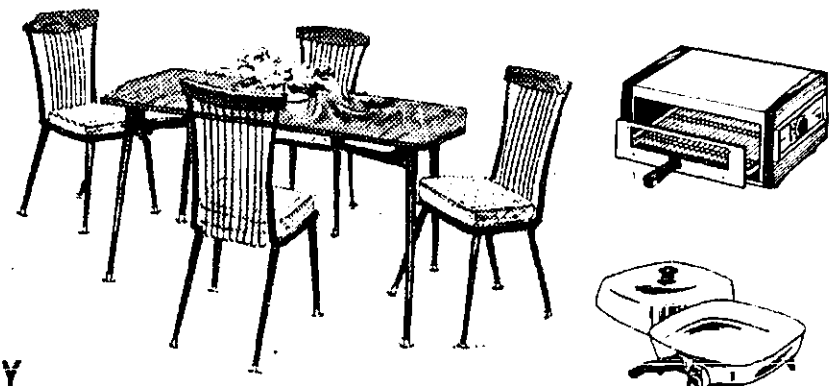
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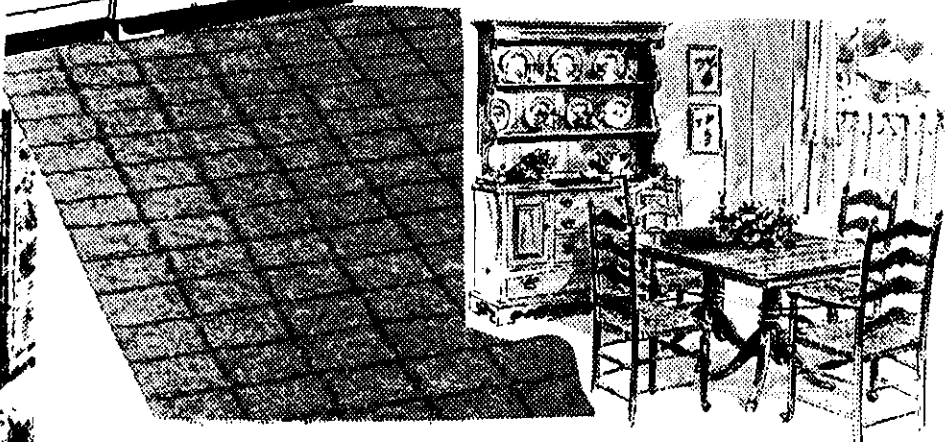
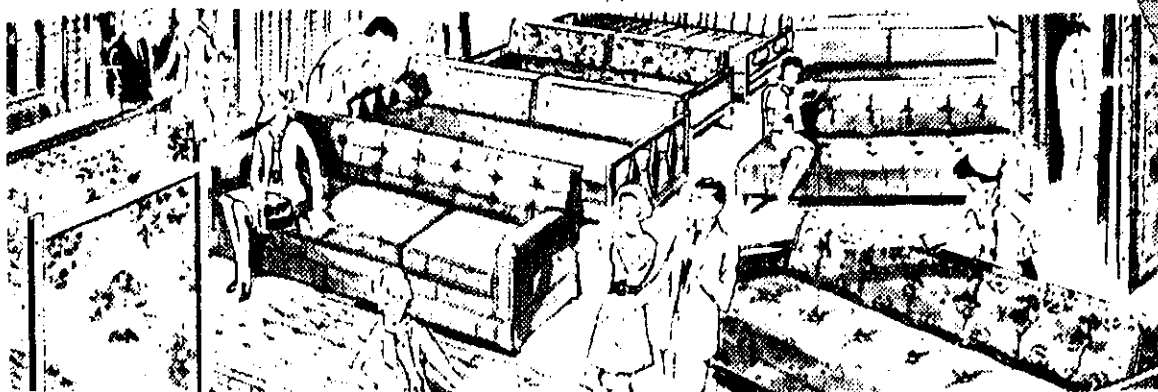
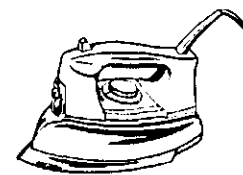
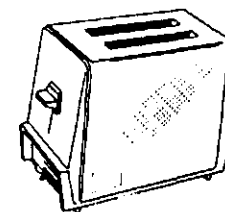
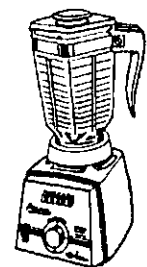
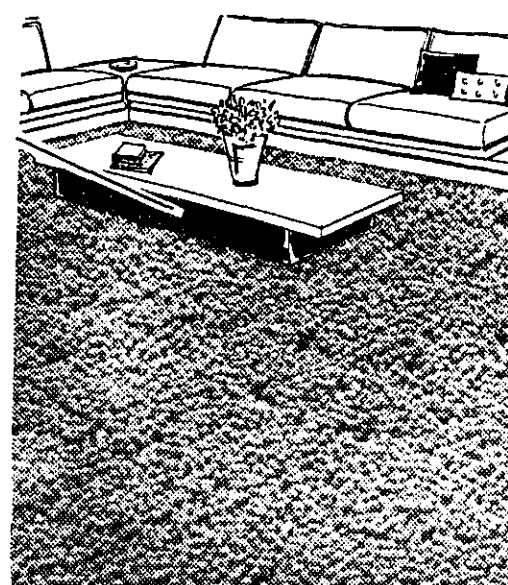
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ROUND STEAK **\$1.08**
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Cooking Gauge lb. Avg.**45¢**
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**PAPER
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Pkg. **25¢**FAME
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MORSELS

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COOKIES

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39¢KEEBLER
**Snack
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Mr. Salty

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75-ct. Pkg.

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FAME - 4 VARIETIES

Liquid Dressings

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AUNT JANE'S

Sweet Midgets

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Coffee Creamer

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DIAMOND 'HEAVY DUTY'

Aluminum Foil

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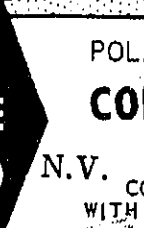
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Almost-real baby doll with all the things a good mommy needs to care for her... toiletries, diapers, powder, soap and much more!

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Really delightful romper in bright red with gripper-style fit and closed-heel with padded soles. Pom-pom trim!

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Smart moc style in leather-like aniline vinyl. Lined for warmth, sponge sole for comfort. Come in a pouch for travel.

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Cass City

Where Everything You Buy is Guaranteed

Mrs. Cunningham dresses dolls for little-girl gifts

By Kit McMillion

Patting her dolls affectionately, Mrs. May Cunningham fluffed a dress, straightened a petticoat, and said, "I could never sell them."

She's been offered as much as \$50 for one doll, a little baby doll

she rescued from the garbage men in Detroit.

"It's the oldest brown-eyed doll in the country," she claims proudly. She's had this particular doll for over 40 years and related that it's probably close to one hundred years old. She wants to give it to one of her

grandchildren.

Excited about having her picture taken with her dolls, she abandoned the wheel chair she usually uses and moved around the room leaning on pieces of furniture.

Eighty-one years old, hands stiffened with arthritis, Mrs.

Cunningham dresses dolls. She talked of dirty necks and washing hair and proudly told each of the dolls they were getting their picture taken as she arranged them on the table.

"Ain't that awful, talking to dolls," she said sheepishly.

A plump woman with long white hair piled on her head, she said she has been collecting dolls for a long time and started dressing them about 10 years ago.

She sews dresses of satin and lace on an old treadle machine converted to electricity and talks of petticoats, nylons and satin slippers for the dolls.

Besides the dolls sitting cheerfully on the table, Mrs. Cunningham said she has a lot of dolls in a basket upstairs lacking legs or arms that must be reconstructed.

She still hopes she will find a china doll someday, but doesn't anticipate it because the antique value of that kind of doll has risen so sharply.

She never sells her dolls, but gives them away to grandchildren or neighbors or little girls whose parents can't afford new dolls. Commenting on the high price of dolls in the stores, she said some people just can't afford them, and little girls like the old dolls dressed up just as well.

"Why should I sell them when I have everything I need?" the kindhearted woman who understands dolls said, sweeping her eyes around the modest home where she has lived for the past five years on Seventh Street. "I could never sell them."



MRS. MAY CUNNINGHAM poses with a few of the dolls she has dressed. At 81 she says she's going to stop her work at 90.

Erla heads Democratic party

Democrat Richard Erla of Cass City was recently elected chairman of the Tuscola County Democratic party, replacing Lester "Mike" Hill.

His appointment and the appointment of other county officers centralizes the top echelon of the county committee in Cass City.

Besides Erla, the executive committee elected Mrs. Grace Nemeth of Cass City as vice-chairman and re-elected Frances Ellesin of Cass City, secretary.

Treasurer is Milford Culbert of Fairgrove. Other members of the county committee were also named. Included among them was Margaret Weipert, Cass City.

Erla has long been active in Democratic politics. In the last election he was one of the guiding hands behind the most vigorous Democratic cam-

paigns ever staged in Tuscola county and the Thumb.

It included a headquarters building on Main Street in Cass City.

Clarke to speak at soil meet

Lyle Clarke, vocational agriculture teacher at Cass City School, will speak at the 29th annual meeting of the Tuscola Soil Conservation District Jan. 17. It will be a dinner meeting at 7 p.m. at the 4-H Memorial Building at the Caro Fairgrounds.

Clarke served 2 years in the U. S. Marine Corp. He graduated from Michigan State University with a B. S. degree in agriculture education. He began teaching in Cass City in 1953 and in 1957 he received his M.A. degree in agriculture education from MSU.



DICK ERLA



LYLE CLARKE

In August of 1971 Clarke went to Australia on a one-year leave and taught in the James Ruse Boy's High School in Sydney and in West Wyalong High School in West Wyalong. He resumed teaching vocational agriculture in the Cass City School in 1972. Mr. and Mrs. Clarke have five children, and three of them went to Australia with them.

The directors will hold a short business meeting and the election of two directors as Directors Charles Wells and Leon Keinath's terms are expiring. A nominating committee has nominated: in the west area, Henry Gruber, Walter Hecht Jr., Harold Hickey, Duane Houthoofd, Larry Keinath, and Charles Wells, and in the southwest area, Ed Cole, Don Harris, Leon Keinath, and Cecil Wallace. One director will be elected for a three-year term in each area.

Tickets may be purchased from the following directors: John Goodchild, Caro; Leon Keinath, Millington; Maynard McConkey, Cass City; Bruce Ruggles, Kingston, and Charles Wells of Vassar. Tickets may also be obtained from the District Aid at the Tuscola Soil Conservation District Office at 852 S. Hooper Street, Caro, Michigan.

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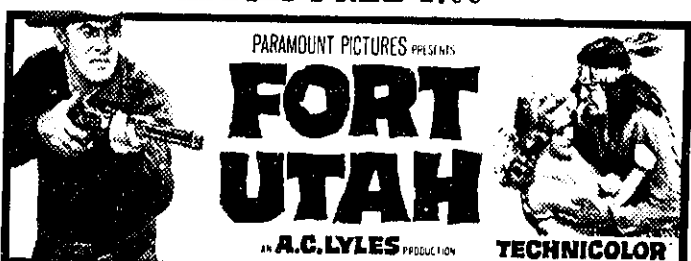
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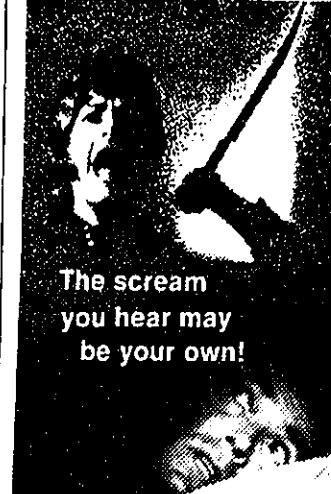
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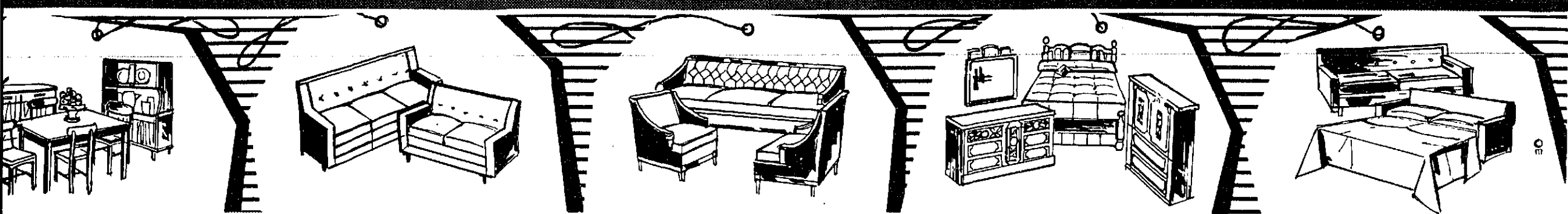
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ATTENTION

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END-OF-YEAR CLEARANCE



SALE STARTS WED., DEC. 20TH THROUGH SAT., DEC. 30TH

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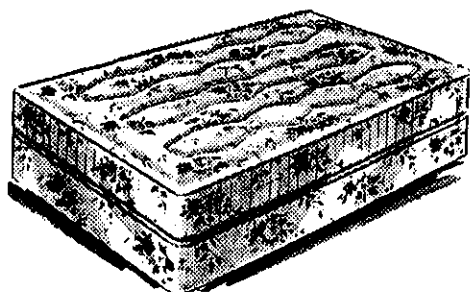
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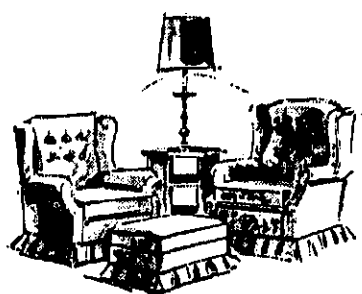


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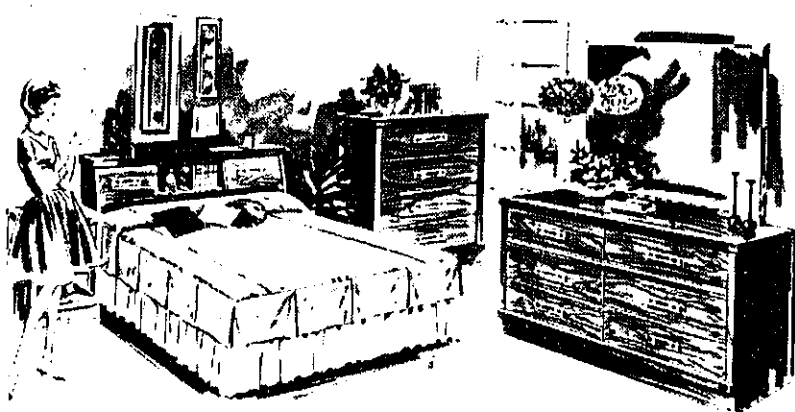
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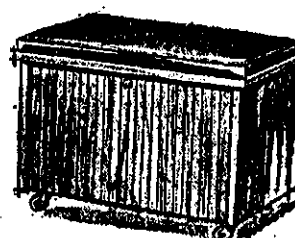


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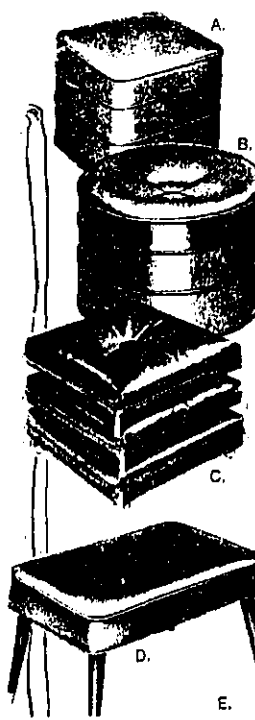
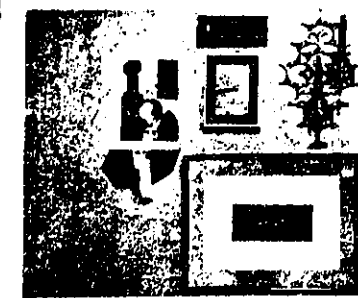
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Uncle Tim From Tyre Says:

Dear Mister Editor:

I recollect the youngun that said he didn't believe in Be Kind to Animals Week cause it don't make sense to be kind to animals jest one week. He said he was kind to em every day, and that everybody else ought to be. Well sir, Christmas is a time fer thinking about the Brotherhood of Man, we allus say. I think we could take a lesson from the boy.

Actual, it's probable a good thing that Christmas comes soon after the elections, on account of all the ill will we stir up when politics run their hottest. What this country needs right now is another Will Rogers. Will said he didn't belong to no organized political party, he was Democrat. He even got the Democrats to laugh at that one, and they shore could use a laugh right now.

Ever day should be Brotherhood Day, Mister Editor, but it ain't allus easy, like when two fellers is trying to marry the

same girl and when a Republican and a Democrat is running fer the same office. As fer them that has their head to the public trough, they can't see the brotherhood fer wanting the politician that got them their jobs to stay in office. I see by the papers that new elected officials across the country is saying they're "building their own teams," and that is a nice way of saying the old rascals is out and the new rascals is in.

But I think Christmas is a good time fer a feller to try and git a better understanding of his brothers and decide to help one another hold together what little world we got left. Us folks in the country that git up and putter about afore daylight may git somepun in our hearts that town and city folks might not have time fer. And at Christmas we git more humble and thankful than usual, cause the observing of the Lord's coming jest natural makes us more friendly to the world and to one another.

Practical speaking, I know not many of you town folks will

be gitting up at four o'clock Christmas morning, not if your younguns are grown. And if you still got some little ones around the house, you'll be to busy playing Santa to git outside. But this time of year it does a feller good to look up at a heaven full of stars on a clear morning. There's a powerful lot of space in this universe and man's place in God's scheme of things is as big as space. A feller can see a lot of religion and Christmas spirit way up there.

Farthermore, if a feller looks long enuff and hard enuff his outlook on life will git a heap brighter, and his love fer brotherhood a heap bigger. Looking at the sky don't fix everything, but I ain't mad at nobody.

I'm at peace with the world, Mister Editor, and I want to wish you, all the folks on your paper and everbody, including the in and the out politicians, a Merry Christmas.

Yours truly,
Uncle Tim

Traditions of 'old country' still practiced by families in Cass City

Here are recipes and traditions from a variety of countries representing the background of much of the Cass City area.

GERMANY

The Christmas tree, a tradition of Germany since the middle ages, was brought to this country by Hessian soldiers during the Revolutionary war. The Christmas tree is decorated in utmost secrecy and is lighted first on Christmas Eve, and has been firmly entrenched in the holiday tradition as "O Tannenbaum."

Since the melting pot melted in America, Christmas dinner for most families is a tradition of roast turkey and cranberry sauce, a tree erected long before Dec. 25 and a Santa Claus on every block, and going to church for the religious families.

This is not so for many foreign countries, and traditions of "The Old Country" are still practiced here by families of strong ethnic backgrounds. Sometimes the tradition extends to merely a special food or cookie baked only at this special time of year or to adhering rigidly to the old customs.

Dissolve yeast in $\frac{1}{4}$ cup lukewarm water. Add shortening, sugar, and salt to scalded milk. When lukewarm, add yeast and half the flour and beat well. Let rise until light. Then add egg and rest of flour. Mix well, let rise. Roll dough into oblong strip. Spread with butter, brown sugar, cinnamon, nuts and raisins. Roll up like a jelly roll and form into a ring on greased baking sheet. With scissors make cuts $\frac{2}{3}$ of the way through the ring at 2 inch intervals. Turn each section on its side, forming a wreath. Cover and let rise until double in bulk. Bake about 30 minutes in hot oven, 375-400 degrees. Frost while hot with thin icing, made by combining 3 tablespoons milk and 1 cup confectioners sugar.

FRANCE

Christmas traditions in France lean heavily toward the religious accent. The Creche is the center of the midnight mass when age-old hymns are sung, incense burned and bells rung. Following the mass, all partake of reveillon, a luxurious meal of oysters and special wines and sausages.

The poor are also treated at Christmas when a giant wicker figure called Melchior, named after one of the three magi, is strapped to the back of a donkey and is paraded from door to door to gather foods to be put in a basket on his back, and then taken to the church and distributed to the poor.

usually done in a casserole-type dish that will not be damaged by flame.

BELGIUM

Christmas is celebrated in Belgium with a procession of hundreds of people gaily dressed and led by the priests to the cathedral. The season for gifts and joy, the children leave tidbits in their wooden shoes for Santa Claus' reindeer and then hang up their stockings. In the morning the oats and other tidbits are gone, replaced with toys.



Mrs. Ben Schwegler

A favorite Christmas recipe of the Germans is Springerle, or Anise Cookies. This recipe has been in the family of Mrs. Ben Schwegler over 100 years and was handed down to her by her mother.

SPRINGERLE

1 lb. sugar
4 large eggs
 $\frac{1}{2}$ T. soft butter
6-7 drops Anise oil
 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. salt

Beat the above together with an electric mixer until very light. Stir in 1 lb. flour sifted with 1 scant tsp. soda, a small amount at a time. Cool until easy to handle, an hour or so. Roll out, stamp design, cut out and place on oiled cookie sheet. Leave in kitchen until morning. Bake Springerle at 275 degrees, 8 to 10 minutes. They brown quickly, so be sure to watch carefully. In rolling out dough, don't be afraid to use plenty of flour to keep from sticking. It will not hurt the quality of the cookies. Makes about 4 dozen.

SWEDEN

The Christmas season in Sweden begins Dec. 13 when St. Lucia, dressed in white with a red sash and wearing a crown of pine boughs haloed with the light of seven candles awakens the members of the household by bringing the coffee and a saffron bread on a tray.

Mrs. Harold Perry's family still observes the Swedish tradition of serving rice with sugar, cinnamon and milk with the hidden almond at the Christmas Eve meal. The unmarried girl who finds the nut will marry the next year, the tradition says.



Mrs. Harold Perry

The biggest celebration is Christmas Eve. Christmas morning, the family attends church and then comes home for coffee and coffee cake. Mrs. Perry always serves this coffee cake.

SWEDISH COFFEE CAKE

1 cake compressed yeast
1 cup milk, scalded
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup sugar
 $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon salt
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup shortening
1 egg, beaten
 $\frac{3}{4}$ cups flour
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup chopped nuts
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup raisins
Brown sugar
2 tsp. cinnamon
2 T. melted butter

POLAND

When the first star appears in the evening sky on Dec. 24, Fast Day is ended, and the Christmas supper begins. Traditions include placing straw under the table, dishes and table cloth symbolizing the lowly birth of Christ.

Wigilia is observed after the waters called Oplatek are received from the Priest, and the head of the family distributes the wafer around the table, each giving a few words of encouragement and wishes for a blessed new year.

The Wigilia meal might include herring, mushroom soup, Pierogi, boiled dried prunes served with soft boiled rice and sweet raisin bread.



Mrs. Konrad Konwalski

Mrs. Konrad Konwalski, who came to this country when she was 16, submits a recipe for Pierogi.

PIEROGI (FILLED DUMPLINGS)

2 eggs, well beaten
4 cups flour
4 cups dry cottage cheese
1 egg
Sugar and salt to taste
1 cup cream
 $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. salt

Mix beaten eggs, flour, cream and $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon salt. Knead into soft, pliable dough. Roll up jelly-roll style and cool in refrigerator. When cold, cut into $\frac{1}{4}$ " slices and roll flat. Mix cottage cheese, egg, sugar and salt thoroughly. Using about 1 tablespoon of cheese mixture for each dumpling, fill squares of dough and pinch edges together firmly. Cook gently for about 10 to 15 minutes. Drain and rinse in cold water and fry. Fry in butter to lightly brown each side. Serve hot with sour cream or honey.

ENGLAND

Religious services dominate English Christmas celebrations, especially singing carols, but one tradition is more frivolous. Christmas Eve the yule log is brought inside and placed in the big family fireplace. According to the custom, each member of the family must sit on the log and salute it before it is lighted to assure good luck for the household for the coming year.

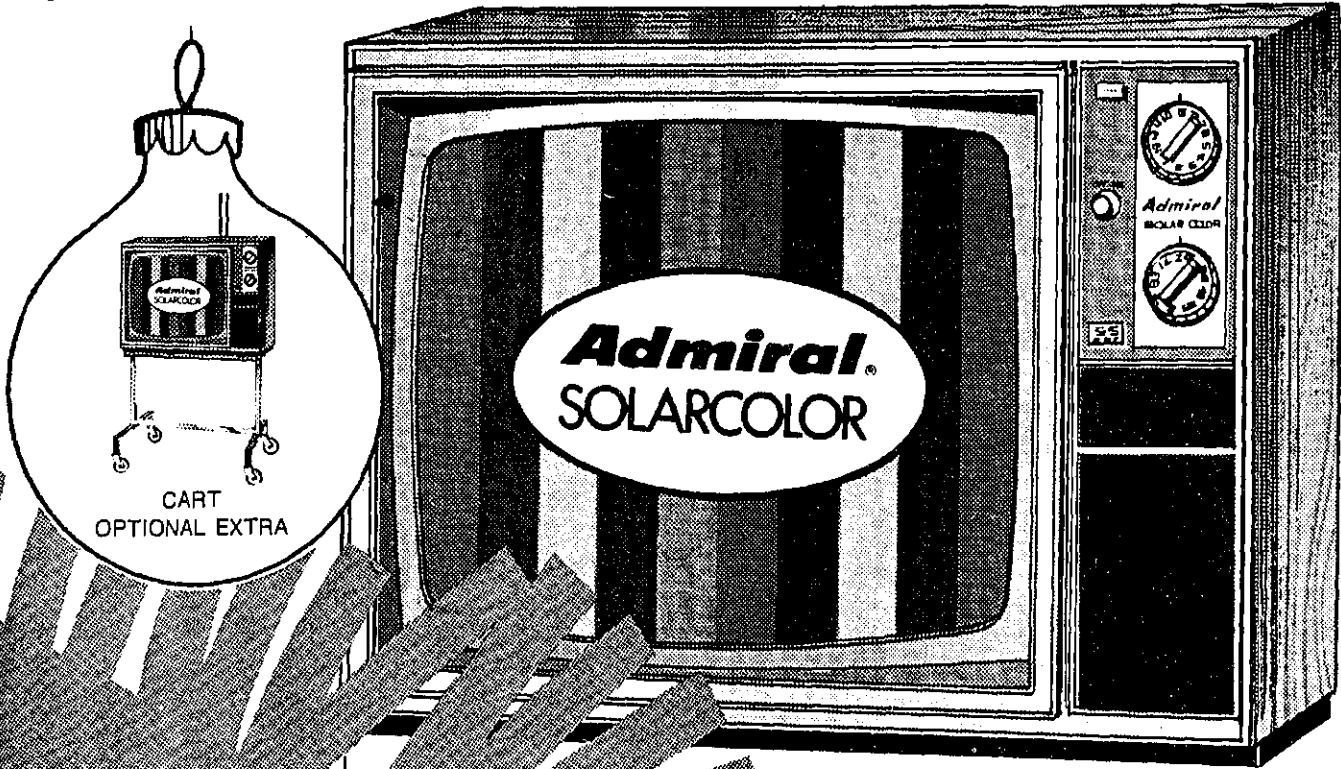
A favorite Christmas recipe of the Rev. E. D. K. Isaacs, who came to this country from Manchester, England, is ground rice tarts.

GROUND RICE TARTS

2 ozs. butter
2 ozs. confectioner's sugar
 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. baking powder
pinch salt
2 ozs. ground rice
1 egg
almond essence
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Line open tart tins with short crust pastry. Beat the butter and sugar to a cream; add the egg and beat well. Mix together the ground rice, salt and baking powder; and stir lightly the

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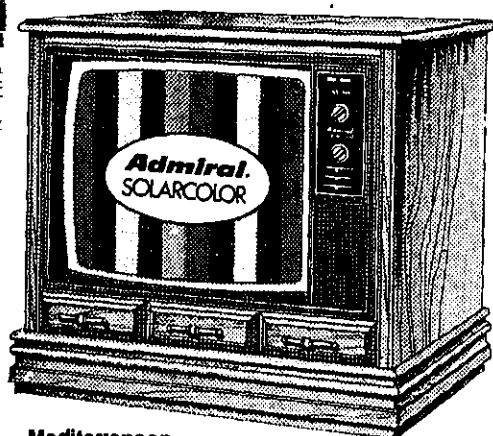
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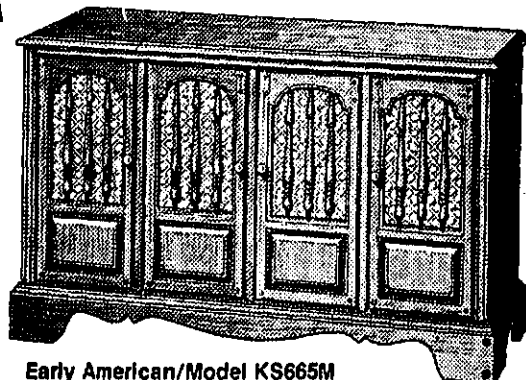
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Commissioners

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The Tuscola County Board of Commissioners tentatively adopted a study of position classifications and recommended salaries for court house employees Tuesday at a special meeting to consider the report.

The \$7000 study was presented to the board by Yager and Associates and will be circulated among the employees this week.

Final action will be taken Dec. 26 at the next regular meeting, according to District 2 Commissioner Edward Golding Sr.

The study will not be made public, Golding said, until

formal adoption. The purpose of this report was to show how court house employees compare in salary with other privately employed workers in the area.

Golding did reveal that according to the study, the court house employees are paid on a comparable level with other area workers.

Negotiations with court house employees are still going on and have been waiting for this report, Golding said.

Although classification was made several years ago, there are many different kinds of personnel and "Everybody wants their girls to be secretaries," said Golding.

Fire razes

Kerry Ball

trailer home

Fire completely destroyed the trailer home of the Kerry Ball family at 4290 Lampton Road, Deford, Thursday, when fire apparently started under the trailer and rapidly spread throughout the structure.

Elkland township firemen were hampered in reaching the blazing trailer by icy conditions on the roads. The trailer was located one-half mile south of Severance Road on Lampton.

According to authorities, Mrs. Ball was napping when she awoke to the smell of smoke. She and her three children ran across the road to a neighbor's house where firemen were called at about 3:30 p.m.

According to witnesses, Mrs. Ball was restrained from re-entering the trailer in an attempt to save possessions. One pair of boots was salvaged, but everything else was lost in the blaze that took firemen about 1½ hours to quell. Caro fire department assisted.

The trailer was insured.

According to Police Chief Gene Wilson, Ball had recently wrapped the water pipes under the trailer with heating tape to prevent freezing. The trailer was also banked with straw.

MINOR FIRE

A minor fire was reported Sunday evening at the Charles Wright home at 4917 State St., Gagetown, home of the Gagetown fire chief.

Over-heated wiring was discovered when a fuse burned and smoke filled a room. There were no flames. Damage was minimal in the 8:30 p.m. fire.

The Gagetown fire department was called to the scene.



WHEN FIRE BROKE OUT in the Kerry Ball home, it didn't take long for the house trailer to become a raging blaze. Firemen from Elkland township with assistance from Caro were hampered by icy back roads, and found the fire going strong when they arrived. The blaze continued until the only thing left of the family's possessions were a pair of boots rescued by Mrs. Ball.

Okay school merger vote

Seven weeks of committee meetings ended last Thursday night in a yes vote in favor of a district-wide election to determine whether or not Owen-Gage and Unionville-Sebewaing Area schools will consolidate.

The vote was 30 to 11.

The committee also selected a plan for new school construction if consolidation is approved.

By a 25 to 12 vote with four abstentions, the committee chose Plan B. This plan calls for the construction of both a new central high school and a new middle school at Bach at an estimated cost of \$5,427,000. Four elementary schools would remain in each community.

The alternative Plan A provides for the construction of a new high school at Bach for the four communities. A central junior high school would be established at Sebewaing in existing facilities. Under this

plan four elementary schools would also be operated in the four communities. Total cost of this plan is estimated at \$3,893,000.

Both citizens' committees will now take their recommendations to their school boards, who must decide if and when the consolidation election will be held. They must also offer a definite proposal for construction, said Owen-Gage Superintendent Glenn Sanford.

If the approved plan is adopted, the present Owen-Gage school district would be bonded for 7.3 mills and the present USA district at 7.2 mills for retirement of their respective current debts and the new construction.

The vote by districts for merger was Owen-Gage 12 yes, 6 no; USA 18 yes, 5 no.

Owen-Gage committee chose Plan B over Plan A by a

vote of 16 to 1; USA district representatives voted 11 to 9 in favor of Plan A.

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Newell Harris, a representative of Aetna Life-Casualty at Harris-Hampshire Agency, was honored for his outstanding record in Aetna's 29th annual fall life insurance sales campaign Dec. 9-10 at Schuss Mountain, Manelona.

Harris totaled more than \$500,000 of sales volume during this 5-week period.

Harris entered the life insurance field 9 years ago and is associated with Aetna's Saginaw life division office.

Hold school

Yuletide party

The annual Christmas party for teachers, board members and all personnel of Cass City Schools was held Thursday evening, Dec. 14, at Wildwood Farms.

Mrs. Philip Gray, a member of the elementary school teaching staff, was in charge of arrangements for this year's party.

One hundred and twenty-five were present for the 7:30 buffet dinner.

A gift was presented to Mrs. Malvina Profit, who is retiring, and tribute was paid to her by Mrs. Jacqueline Freiburger, elementary school principal.

Entertainment was provided by the "Christ's Ambassadors" quartet of Caro.

Yule party for

county extension

Tuscola Extension Homemakers held their Christmas meeting at the 4-H Building in Caro recently. Husbands and other invited guests enjoyed an evening of fun and fellowship.

Mrs. Grover Laurie, Gagetown, chaired the program which was planned by Mrs. Wesley Karpovich, Caro, and her Council committee.

Each of the Extension Study Groups presented a short reading, pantomime or musical selection as part of the "Old fashioned Christmas" program.

Hyprocrites set good examples only when there's an audience.

Shoplifters active in Cass City

Two instances of shoplifting and a larceny were investigated by Cass City police this past week.

A 15-year-old Uby youth was caught Monday afternoon after he took a perfume bottle worth \$4 from the Wood's Drug Store.

Last Tuesday, a watch and hand radio were reported taken from the Albee Hardware Store. Charges were not pressed when the merchandise was returned

two days later.

Mrs. John Schwartz, 4228 S. Seeger St., Cass City, reported that approximately \$85 had been taken from her home on three different occasions in the past two weeks.

She discovered the first money missing Dec. 9. The most recent disappearance was Friday morning, when she contacted police.

visiting
foreigners

That's what the Wisemen were—foreigners! They came from distant countries. They were not Christ's own countrymen.

And yet they knelt before the manger. They offered precious gifts—gold, frankincense and myrrh.

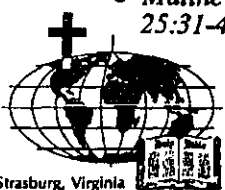
The world had found its Center—a Life and a Love to bring men together.

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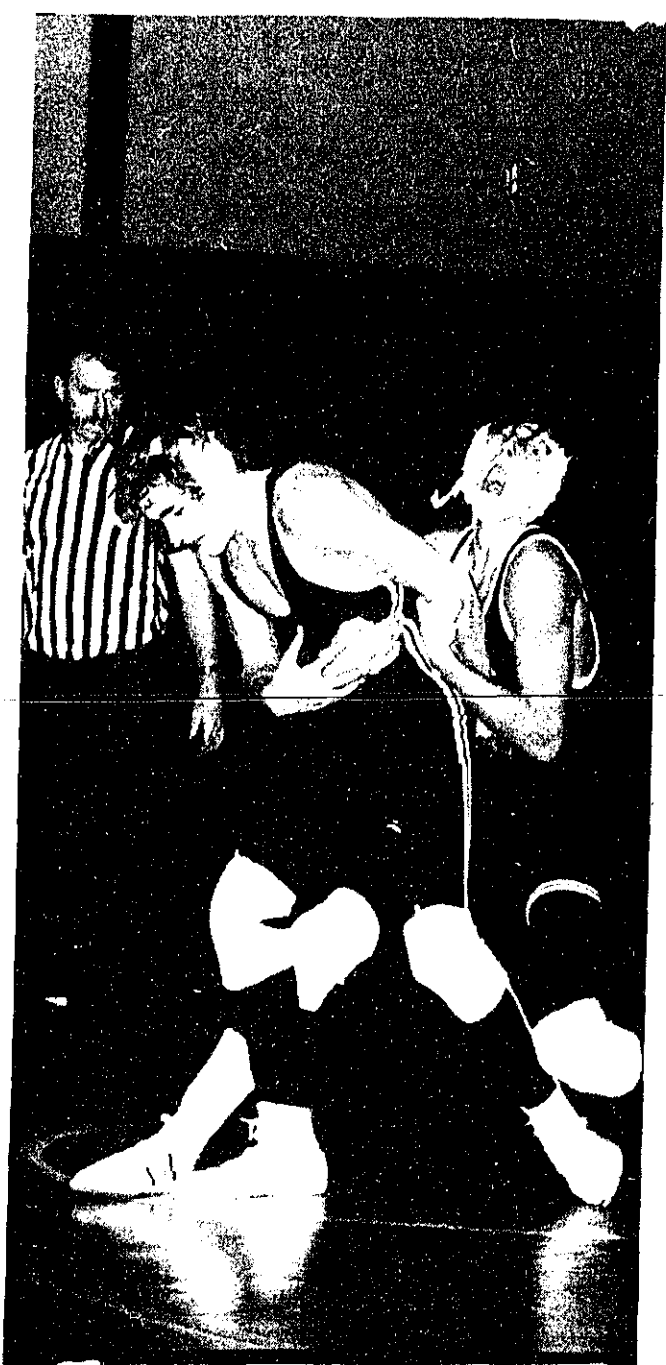
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Cass City loses crucial Frankenmuth game

Randy was (W)right as Hawks crush Raiders, 77-46



CURT WAGNER, left, strains to put a hold on Fred Jones of Caro in a dual meet last Wednesday. Wagner went on to post a decisive 11-6 decision over Jones.

Hawk matmen top Caro, 36-24

Cass City's matmen roared to an early 36-0 lead over Caro Wednesday, Dec. 13, and then coasted to victory as the Tigers rallied in the final five events. The score was 36-24 in the meet held at Cass City gym.

For the Hawks Rick Damm, Dave Rogers, Greg Mark, Tim Stickle and Curt Strickland scored pins in their weight class.

For Caro Mike Matter and

Bob Gawrliszewicz scored pins. Curt Wagner added to the Hawk total with an 11-6 decision over Fred Jones for three points. Skip Speirs broke a 2-2 tie in the third period with a reversal and near fall for a 7-3 decision.

Caro's decisions included a 9-6 nod by Larry Crosswek over Kevin Coryell and a 7-4 decision by Keith Robinson over Dave Brooks.

Randy was (W)right for Cass City Tuesday night as the Red Hawks rolled over hapless Marlette at the school gym, 77-46.

The big Senior forward hit for 25 points as he paced his team to a one-sided victory.

The Hawks needed Wright's big night as they suffered injuries to a pair of key performers in the first half. Paul Bliss twisted an ankle and Scott Hartel suffered a bruised thigh and both sat out the entire last half. A knee injury also benched Tim Tapson of Marlette in the last half.

The two Hawks will not miss any games because of the injuries.

The boys weren't needed because it was the night for Wright. In addition to pouring in the points, Wright was also tough on the boards on defense and offense.

It was Wright's second good game in a row. He earned the starting nod Tuesday because of his fine effort in the last half against Frankenmuth last Friday.

The game itself wasn't much. Marlette is apparently in a down talent cycle. The visitors have no height and little quickness.

It was a basketball game for just the first quarter.

The Hawks took the lead midway in the first quarter and never was behind. Marlette was able to keep the pressure on for the first eight minutes, trailing by a point, 13-12, at the end of the first quarter.

After that Cass City took command. At the end of the first half the score was 35-24.

With Wright and Dave Hillaker burning the nets the Hawks made the game a runaway in the third period. At the three-quarter mark Cass City was in front 58-40.

A good many Hawks who have seen limited action logged considerable playing time Tuesday. Kim Glaspie, Pete Frederick, and Phil Berridge were in the game much of the time and Cass City continued to pull away as Coach Fred Hurlburt was able to give the boys needed playing experience.

three times in five outings this year.

Cass City appeared to be only going through the motions in the first half against the Eagles last

Friday. Led by Bob Rummell, southpaw sharpshooting guard, the Eagles took command in the opening two periods. Rummell scored 18 of 24 points and was deadly on short jumpers from around the key.

At the end of the first quarter the Eagles were in front, 14-11. At the half the margin was a hefty 11 points and it appeared as if Frankenmuth were going to win easily.

But in the third quarter, the Hawks came out in zone defense with Randy Wright moving in to help with the rebounding and Cass City made a game of it.

Featuring balanced scoring, the Hawks burned the nets for 21 points while holding the visitors to 12.

It was anybody's ball game from the midway point in the third quarter to the final whistle.

Cass City tied the game at 55-55 and 59-59 in the third period and took a one point advantage in the last period for a moment.

But the Eagles moved their big center back into the game for the final minutes and it proved to be enough to bring Frankenmuth the win.

With about 15 seconds left Cass City was a basket behind and Rummell was fouled as the Hawks tried desperately to get the ball back.

In the one and one situation, the little guard calmly sunk both baskets and it was all over for Cass City.

With just four seconds left the lead was four points and the visitors just watched as a pass went in to Paul Bliss who sunk the bucket to bring the margin to two points as the final whistle sounded.

Inability to hit from the charity circle was costly for Cass City.

The team scored two more field goals than the visitors but Frankenmuth collected 19 of 28 tries from the free throw line and Cass City was able to convert just 15 of 25, barely over 50 per cent.

While all hope for a title is not gone, certainly Cass City must be considered long shots for as much as a title share now.

Bliss scored 18 points and

Dave Hillaker added 15. Nick Gibas picked up 14 and Scott Hartel added 12. Randy Wright scored six points and Phil Berridge scored two points.

For Frankenmuth Gary Piesko scored 14 and Dave Hubinger, 12, to go along with Rummell's 24.

FIRST LOSS

It was a bad night all around for Cass City. The junior varsity suffered its first set-back of the year. A late minute rally by the JV fell just short as the Eagles won 60-56.

The JV's were hurt when Jerry Toner was injured in the first half and unable to return to the game.

LEAGUE STANDINGS (Friday, Dec. 15)

	W	L
Lakers	3	0
Sandusky	3	0
Frankenmuth	2	1
Vassar	2	1
Caro	1	2
Cass City	1	2
Bad Axe	0	3
Marlette	0	3

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Burke wars with county

Walter Burke of Royal Oak, who owns a home and 40 acres near Shabbona and Phillips Road, south of Cass City, is at war with the Tuscola County Road Commission and the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners.

Burke has contacted an attorney and has petitioned the commissioners for redress concerning alleged damage to his property.

Burke alleges that the county cut down five-year-old Silver maples, wrecked his fences, allowed 5 tons or more of concrete to remain at the edge

of his land and left debris on his property while building bridges on Phillips and on Shabbona Road.

According to a letter written by Shuford Kirk to Burke, the road commission claims that the fence and trees were on road right-of-way and said that clean-up operations were delayed because of the press of work that 50 new bridges brought in the county.

Burke claims that the trees were far enough away not to interfere with the road work and insists that the county replant them in the spring. In addition he wants 20 steel posts, four wooden cedar posts and a roll of barbed wire for fences. He promises to do the work.

There has been no official commission answer to the request.

Arrest 2 in Cass City

Two persons were arrested in Cass City early this week.

Mark David McClorey, 17, 5946 Kelly Road, Cass City, was arrested Sunday for driving with his license suspended. He was given three days in jail by District Court Judge Kern.

Jason D. Leitch, 50, 6185 Lakeside Drive, Cass City, was arrested on a drunk and disorderly charge Monday night. He was released on a \$50 jail bond.



DAVE HILLAKER sunk this short shot from the side early in the first quarter. But the Hawks failed to do it enough to topple Frankenmuth in an important game for both clubs.

JUNIOR VARSITY

The Cass City JV squad got back on the track after suffering its first loss of the season last Friday. They easily measured the Marlette JV, 81-48.

Frankenmuth Game

Cass City's hopes for a Thumb B Conference championship received a crushing blow Friday night as Frankenmuth topped the Hawks in a hotly contested game, 71-69.

The loss dropped Cass City down in the pack and more importantly, two games behind the co-leaders, Sandusky and Lakers.

The frustrating thing about the current season for Hawk fans is that the team is deep down in the standings with a quarter that with a little luck could have been perched at or near the top.

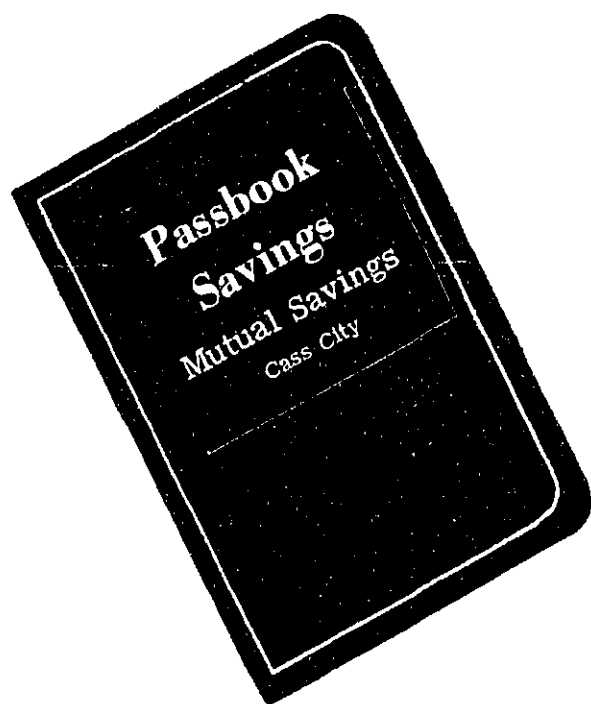
For the Hawks have not been outclassed. . . just defeated



YOUTH of the First Baptist Church pose with Lilac Mast, a patient at the Caro Medical Facility they have "adopted" after singing at the facility monthly. The youngsters sang Sunday and distributed gifts for Christmas.

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bone. I have been a pretty good
boy. I'll leave you some cookies
and Pepsi. Thank you.

Your Friend,
Doug Kuntz
Age 4



Doug & Tammy
Kuntz

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl.
Please bring me a toaster,
dishes, stove, refrigerator and
sink. Doug and I will have some
cookies and Pepsi on the table
for your snack.

Love,
Tammy Kuntz
Age 2

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Will you come to our house
this year. We will have some
milk and cookie this year. I
want a new pop Wheelies sled.

by Lee Wilson

Dear Santa Claus

I hope you come to my house.
I would like a ssp electric foot
ball game a work bench com-
bine and a truck.

P.S. And you'll find a sandwich
and a beer.

Love
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Dear Santa Claus

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clothes and a nice red sled and a
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Dear Santa Claus

I hope you come to my house
Santa because we will have
some cookies and milk for you.
And if you bring me a tent and a
Rock'm Sock'm Robot set would
you please Santa Claus please.
And if you do I will set out a lot
of cookies out for you well about
10 cookies.

Your friend,
Willard Burdon

Dear Santa Claus

I want a fashion girl doll and a
adan boy doll and a smile
umbrella and a mickey mouse
watch and a candy-cane and
you.

Your friend,
Cindee Nichols

Dear Santa,

I want some toys for Christ-
mas here are some names of
them a cox dune buggy, sizzler
cars, track candle maker, pres-
to model and a snowcone
maker. I give you some cookies
and a couple sandwiches. I like
your reindeer names. I can tell
you your reindeer names. 1.
Dasher, 2.Dancer, 3.Prancer,
4.Vixen, 5.Comet, 6.Cupid,
7.Donner, 8.Blitzen and the best
one of all is Rudolph this is all I
got to say for now.

From Your
Friend Darryl
Lesoski.

Dear Santa

I want a jewelry box for
Christmas a srappbook and a
snowmobile suit. I will leave
you a cookie and milk.

Love Pam Thorp

Dear Santa

I want a purple dress with a
purple belt. I want a snow suit
teenager doll. I wat a pair of
white ice skates.
I might leave you some
cookies.

I love you.
Mary Strouth

Dear Santa

I like a vertebird and a big
Jim

Love Jim Patnaude

Dear Santa Claus

I would like a new dress and a
new kneelsock and a doll and a
new game and a new pencils
and a new erasers and a new
puzzle and a new record.

Your friend
Michelle Ann
Schwartz

Dear Santa

I Love you very much and I
want a G I Joe, B-B gun and a
farm tractor.

Your friend
Ricky Lloyd

Dear Santa

I want a 8 mile hour Skidoo
and a little car and a dump
truck and a Robut and a Big toy
car.

Your friend
Rodney Montreuil

Dear Santa

I love you. I want a pear of
boots and a teenager doll with
curlers and a pear of ice skates
and a horse and a Derman
Shepherd. I will leev you a bowl
of milk and a bowl of cookies.

Your frend
Bonnie Lamirance

Dear Santa

I would like a play machine
gun and a play tractor and a
paths and shirt and leather
gloves and model car and a
truck and a new coat and a
robot and a racing car and a
sled and I will leave you a
cookie.

Love
Felix Murawaski

Dear Santa Claus

I would like a pellet gun and a
chemistry set, and a new pop
wheelies sled, and a ship and
the rest of my football suit
Santa Claus wen you get done
you would be probably be
hungry so I will leve some
cooks and some wine.

Santa your friend
Jerry

Dear Santa

I would like a bridle for my
horse and a par of snowmobile
boots and a motal car and I
would like a sled, and a rifle
dar gun and a indan and cowboy
set and ther will be some
cookies and milk on the tabl.

Love
Brian Pryor

Dear Santa Claus

I hope you come to my house
Santa because we will have
some cookies and milk four you.
and if you bring me a tent and a
Rock'm Sock'm Robot and a toy
train and a robot and gijo.

Love Larry Kendall

Dear Santa Claus,

My mother might leave cook-
ies and milk for you. I would
like a pool table, dart set,
Rockem Sockem robot and
roller skates.

Your friend,
Chris Huizar

Dear Santa

I would like a pellet gun and a
train and a tool set and a set of
clothes and a model and a
model car and fish and the tank.

Love
Eddie Rievert

Dear Santa Claus

My Mother might leave some
cookies and milk and some n
sugar for the reindeers. I hope d
that you will Please bring me a r
dolly, and Lucy's tea party c
game.

Love
Karen Sue Wright

Dear Santa,

We are 5 years old and have
been good girls. Would you
please bring us alot of Barbie
Dolls in a suitcase with clothes,
a lite-brite and a sink and
refrigerator. We would like an
inchworm for our baby sister
Pam.



Love,
Andrea & Angela
Nieboer

Dear Santa,

I am five years old and I have
tried to be good this year. I
would like a dolly and some doll
clothes also I would like a face
mask so my face can keep
warm when I go snowmobiling.



Julie Smith



Donnie Smith

My baby brother Donnie has
tried to be good but he is cutting
teeth and cries alot at night.
Even so he would like a Teddy
Bear and a pull toy that makes
noise.

We will leave you some
cookies and a glass of milk and
of course some sugar for the
reindeer.

Julie & Donnie Smith

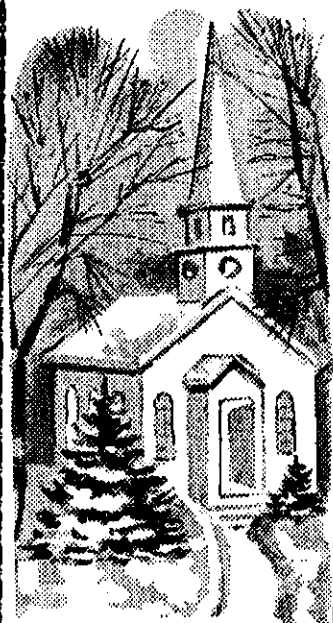
Dear Santa,

My name is Debbie and I
would like a white Annette
walking doll, and a popcorn
maker, and a toy chest with
chalkboard and Book shelves.
My brother Bobby would like a
walkie talkie set and a gun set
and a Snoopy Power Tooth
brush.

Love,
Debbie and Bobby
Walters

P.S. Will leave you cookies and
milk.

PEACE



**Pastor J. E.
Kidney & family**
wish you a
Merry Christmas
and a
Happy New Year

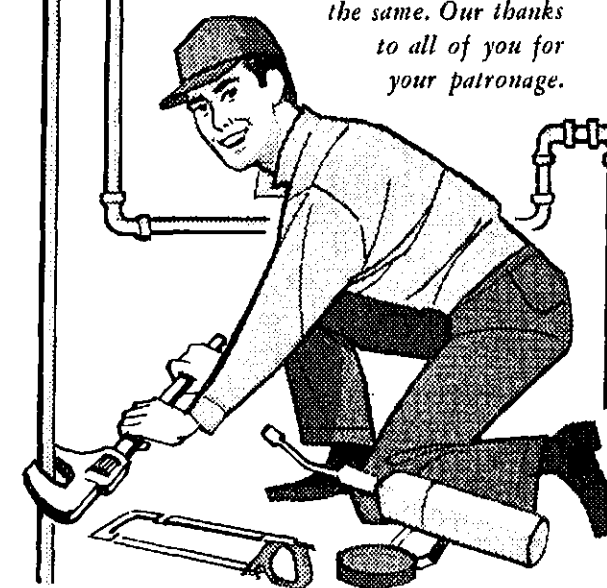


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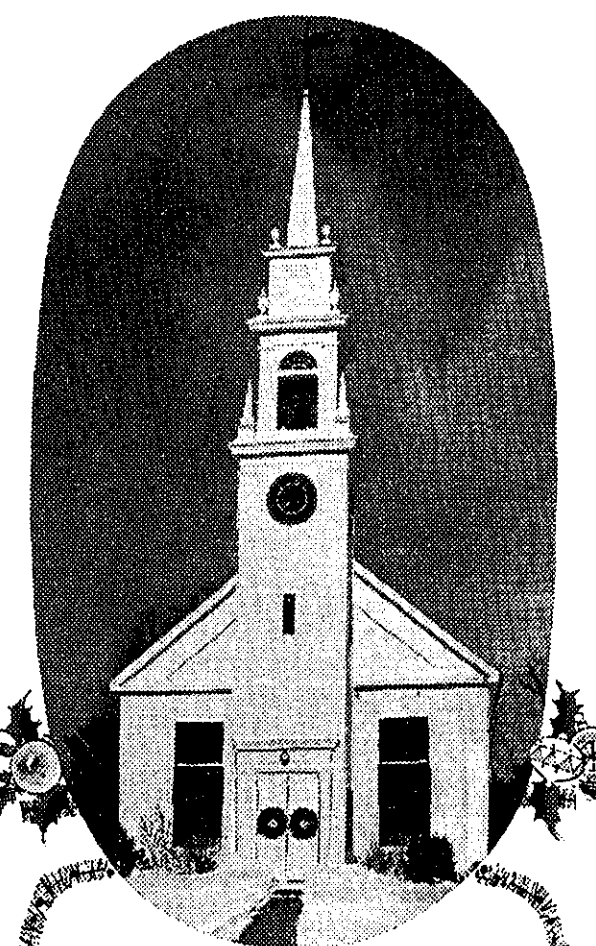
**Sincere
Christmas Wishes**

*We're fixing to have the best holiday
ever and hope you have
the same. Our thanks
to all of you for
your patronage.*



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CASS CITY



**In the Spirit
of Christmas**

*Happiness. Joy. Peace.
That's the spirit of Christmas.
It warms the heart. It
brings young and old together.
And it brings to mind just
how much we value your support.*

GROSS MEAT MARKET

Jim & Kate
Wayne-Bruce-Ada-John-Jack-Sharon
Cass City

May the light of friendship

shine over your home

and bring its blessings

this holiday season

The Littles

Little's Funerl Home

Merry Christmas

Happy holidays! Hope they're packed with spirited, fun times and lots of special Christmas cheer.

FORT'S STORE CASS CITY

BETTY — PHIL — RALPH — WILMA

Holiday Greetings

We offer best wishes and sincere appreciation to all our friends on this Blessed Christmas.

WRIGHT'S SHOE SERVICE

CARL & IRENE WRIGHT
"AT YOUR SERVICE"

6414 Main Cass City

Lore and Legend express happy mood of season

From home to home, from country to country, Yule celebrations abound. The happy traditions of gift giving, home decorating, carol singing, card sending, candle lighting and tree trimming express the merriment of the season.

Popular folk customs of nation after nation have been absorbed into the international legend and lore of the Yuletide. Yet virtually every nation — and every home and family, too — has its special way of celebrating Christmas, and its special memories of Christmas past.

Carrying in Straw

Straw is a traditional part of Christmas celebrations in Sweden — in probable remembrance of the first Christmas when there was straw in the manger.

While "carrying in the Christmas straw" is a tradi-

tion rather than a modern custom, Swedish people still make straw and wooden figures to hang on their Christmas trees.

"San Tan Lou Yin"

In Hong Kong, Santa Claus goes by the name of "San Tan You Lin."

The Hong Kong department stores employ elderly men who are specially costumed for the season. Just like Santa Claus, San Tan You Lin is present for the purpose of holding the youngsters on his knee and listening to their requests for gifts.

Log Had Charms

In ancient Germany, the Yule log was known as the "Christbrand." One belief held that if the charred log was placed in a cornbin, it would act as a charm to ward off mice.

If the weather turned stormy, the Christbrand was quickly brought back to the fire. While it burned, superstition said, the house was safe from lightning.

Going "Mumming"

"Mumming" is a Yule custom that originated in early England. Mummers, masked and in costume, silently enacted ritual plays about the death of winter and the old year.

The custom still survives in some parts of the world, although the plays are no longer performed. Today mummers usually entertain with dancing and instrumental music. They are rewarded with treats.

Holly in Legend

In the legend and lore of Christmas, holly has both a merry and melancholy significance.

Fairies, so it is said, loved the holly. They found its leaves such a comforting shelter that even after holly was cut from the trees, they lingered about, allowing themselves to be carried indoors, where they protected the home from evil spirits.

Later, Christian believers saw the thorny leaves and bright red berries of the holly as symbols of the Crown of Thorns and the sacrifice which the Christ Child, grown to manhood, made on Calvary.

Enjoying Pudding

In Denmark and Norway the legendary good spirit of the house is Nisse, who watches over home and farm and is sometimes said to be the gift-bringer, too.

His Christmas treat, the rice pudding traditional at Scandinavian holiday feasts, is placed beside the kitchen door or, on farms, in the hay-loft.

Santa Letters

Dear Santa Claus,

I believe in you. I will put a glass of milk and ten cookies on the table. Please bring me a B.B. gun.

Your friend,
Jay Watson

Dear Santa

I want a airplane and a car and gun and a kitten cat.

Sign Catarino Ramirez

Dear Santa,

I am 18 months old and can say alot of words. I say cho cho train alot so you would know that is what I want for Christmas. I try hard to be good, but being so small makes it easier for me to get at things.

Love you
Robbi Krueger

Dear Santa,

I am Christine Tuckey, and I am 4 years old. I have a brother Steven who is 2 months old. I want a doll, a radio, and a Snoopy toothbrush. Steven wants a Busy bath and a clock. Steven and I are good. We live in Cass City, Michigan. I am giving you a present under the tree.

I Love you and will you be my friend? Chris

P.S. I would like a Chrissy doll.

Dear Santa,

My name is Dennis and I have been a good boy all year. Could you please give me a blonde Kimmy doll who really moves and also for my brother Arden a big Tonka truck. I also am crazy about Chevelle cars.

Thank you Santa

And I'll be sure to leave you some cookies.

Merry Christmas

We welcome this joyous season and share its peace and tranquility with our many friends.

CASS CITY GOLF SERVICE

BOB — JERRY — AARON — ROY
SHIRLEY — GARY — BILL — CRAIG — DON

GREETINGS

Santa's come a long way from a reindeer-drawn sleigh! He's dashing along and picking up speed to deliver his bundle of goodies to you and yours, along with our thanks!

HEDLEY EQUIPMENT CO.

CARO

The Cass City State Bank

Cass City, Michigan

December 21, 1972

Dear Santa Claus:-

There may not be peace in the world but there is in Cass City. We have had a good year.

The firemen are happy with a new fire-hall.

Cass City has become known as the main source of small engine carburetors. Walbro growth has been phenomenal. The snow-mobile gliding silently across your front lawn is without doubt propelled by a Walbro carburetor.

General Cable and our other factories have been busy. There is very little unemployment in Cass City.

By next spring many of us will be able to commune in a large and beautiful nursing home. Come and join us, Santa.

The park in Orr's woods is evolving.

The golf course is in excellent condition.

We have a new field for small planes.

We have a new restaurant, "Wild Wood Farms", just east of Cass City.

We have added a large addition to the hospital.

We have three new apartment houses.

There is now talk of a new enclosed swimming-pool next year.

And, oh yes!, our football team had an undefeated season. They contemplate trying to get a date with the Lions next year.

You know, Santa, we have been promised peace most every day for four years. They are giving us Bingo but can't you help on the peace program?

Sincerely wishing one and all a Merry Christmas.

The Cass City State Bank

These fascinating but little-known facts about the origin of the celebration of Christmas come from all parts of the globe. All of them are found in the just published 25-volume Funk & Wagnalls New Encyclopedia.

- "Xmas" got its origin from "X," an abbreviation of Christ deriving from the Greek letter X (chi) beginning His Name.

- The earliest identification of the birth of Christ with December 25 is in a passage of Theophilus of Antioch (c. 180).

- Mistletoe over the door at Christmas time owes its origin to the Druid priests of ancient England. They used to cut it down and hang it over doors to bring happiness to those passing under.

- In France Santa Claus is called Pere Noel. In England he's known as Father Christmas.

- Yes, there really was a St. Nicholas. He was the beloved Bishop of the Greek Church of Myra, and he lived in Asia Minor during the early part of the 4th century.

- An age-old Christmas custom: Cutting an onion into halves, peeling off 12

layers (one for each month to come) and filling each with salt. On the next morning, the peelings containing

damp salt indicate rainy months.

- There actually is a town of Santa Claus — in Indiana.

- The Christmas tree traces its origin to Germany.

- Christmas Seals originated in Copenhagen, Denmark, in 1904. They were the idea of a postal clerk named Holboell, who dreamed them up as a benefit for a children's hospital.

- In Puerto Rico, children at Christmas time — instead of hanging up stockings — put boxes on the roof.

- According to legend, the robin's breast is red because the bird once fanned his wings for a long time to warm the Christ Child in the manger.

- The man who set December 25 as the date of Christ's birth was Pope Julius. The time he set it: 340 A.D.

- Santa Claus became a toymaker because poor children could not afford to buy toys, and he vowed he would make toys for them.

- The Pennsylvania Dutch name for Santa Claus is Pelznickel.

GREETINGS

To all our friends and patrons we wish the Merriest Christmas ever. Your loyal support has been deeply gratifying. Have a happy holiday.

TUCKEY BLOCK

CASS CITY & CARO



On key this season... good tidings for all, and a warm "thanks," to our many patrons.

CASS CITY AUTO SUPPLY

CASS CITY PHONE 872-2626

Greetings

Happy families, happy season—it's Christmas! Thanks for all your good will.



The Trade Winds

CASS CITY - MARLETTE - PIGEON - FRANKENMUTH

Today's Observances Enhance Christmas

WASHINGTON — The biblical Christ-child and the Virgin Mary—are they incompatible with Santa Claus, the Christmas tree, the gobs of gifts and parties which besiege the Christmas season?

No, in fact, these secular traditions can enhance the truth of the Incarnation. So says the Reverend Dr. John Warwick Montgomery, an evangelical theologian, in an article in the current (Dec 20) issue of Christianity Today magazine.

Montgomery, a Lutheran, says conservative clergymen who attack "all the unbiblical trappings"

of the season and liberals who want to "chuck the supernatural baggage of the Christmas story" have both veered off the track.

Liberals miss the historicity of the Christmas story while conservatives fail to recognize that many traditions can be a genuine manifestation of Christmas joy, says the church history chairman of Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Deerfield, Illinois.

Conservative iconoclasts, he says, inveigh against "the carols that do not express precise scriptural teaching; the emphasis on material gift-giving; the pagan Christmas tree; the glutinous centrality of the Christmas dinner and anthropocentric family reunions; the stress on our own children instead of on the Christ-child; and the evil genius of the whole occasion: Santa Claus."

But Montgomery says much Christmas lore is representative of legends and "myths" which express symbolically man's deepest needs. They "serve as pointers to the reality of the Christmas message in which they are historically fulfilled" and "when properly understood, will... heighten

the truth of the Incarnation itself."

The Christmas tree, for instance, suggests "the One who grew to manhood to bear our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness." Family reunions will point to the truth that where two or three have gathered, there Christ is in the midst. The centrality of children is a reminder that "child-like faith before the mysteries of the Incarnation is a prerequisite for participation in his kingdom. And even (or especially?) Santa Claus" proclaims the entrance of God into our sinful world to "give gifts to men."

Montgomery is a frequent contributor to Christianity Today, an interdenominational bi-weekly periodical with editorial offices in Washington. The current article is entitled "Remythologizing Christmas."

Ironically akin to some conservatives' dim view of unbiblical "folklore" is the liberals' antipathy to "biblical myths."

Montgomery says some liberal clergymen "deride or pity the childish parishioner who must still hitch his religious wagon to the burnt-out

Christmas star." One must shred legends of Magi, shepherds and the virgin Birth which "were meaningful to our pre-scientific forbears" to find the grain of existential truth within they say.

Montgomery calls these methods and presuppositions "unscholarly" and "highly subjective." "Moreover, if the purportedly historical accounts of Gospel events such as the Virgin Birth are not to be taken as factually true... why is the 'core' message to be accepted at all?" He says this approach boils down to a "naïve faith in the methodology of the demythologizer."

How to Keep Yule Plants

Yes, those cherished holiday plants can keep on growing into next year.

As a tropical plant, poinsettias like plenty of water and warmth—70 to 80 degrees. Be sure to keep these plants in a warm place at night.

Though they blaze with fiery-red-colored balls, Jerusalem cherries are rather cool natured. For them, the temperature should be held at 60 to 65 degrees. Avoid overwatering.

Santa's Moving To Take Lead As Gift-Giver

More and more, Santa becomes the favored gift-giver in countries around the world, replacing a host of legendary figures who were said to bring gifts at this same season of the year.

Gift-giving time, too, is now more likely to be Christmas Eve, although the traditional date in European countries once ranged from St. Nicholas Eve, December 5th, to Epiphany Eve, January 5th.

Among the many who set the trend for Santa Claus is the German gift-giver, Kris Kringle. The name is a variation of Christkind—not the infant Jesus himself, but his messenger who came to earth at Christmastime.

Christkind was represented by a child dressed in white robes, with a crown and wings of gold.

In Japan, the traditional gift-giver is a native god, Hoteiosho. Represented as a kindly old man with a pack on his back, he is much like visions of the traditional Santa.

He is said to have eyes in the back of his head, the better to see whether boys and girls have been naughty or nice.

In Yugoslavia, Grandfather Frost—"Dede Mraz"—replaces Santa Claus.

The Yugoslavian trend is to combine Christmas and New Year holidays, and celebrate them together with Grandfather Frost Day.

CAROLING EVERYWHERE
In every country where Christmas is celebrated, carols are a part of the celebration.



Carols express Yule joy, echoing across the ages

Voices rise in songs of joy and praise. As the joyous season arrives, the vibrant sound of carols is heard in churches, at family gatherings, in groups going from house to house to celebrate with song.

Carols are as much a part of the Yuletide as the tree, gifts and Santa himself.

It all began with the first carols in the 13th century, says the Encyclopedia Americana.

The earliest English carols were composed anonymously, perhaps by clergymen or court musicians. Simple tunes and strong rhythms were characteristic, and the musical form featured a refrain, to repeat before and after each stanza.

Words were written, generally, in the English vernacular or in "macaronic" form—a combination of English and Latin.

The first printed collection of carols appeared in 1521. It included the "Boar's Head Carol," still sung during Christmas dinner at Queen's College, Oxford, England.

Even then, however, the practice of passing on carols orally, from generation to generation, continued. Among these were carols in ballad form, such as "I Saw Three Ships" and "The Cherry Tree Carol."

Caroling fell into disrepute in the 17th century, and carol singing was forbidden by the English Puritans. Those who colonized America carried this disapproval with them.

After the Restoration, in 1680, caroling was once again permitted and the custom slowly revived.

Some of the most popular carols date from the 18th and 19th centuries. These include "Adeste Fideles," possibly by Francis Wade; "Hark! The

Herald Angels Sing," with words by Charles Wesley and music by Felix Mendelssohn; "Joy to the World," with words by Isaac Watts, music by George Frederic Handel.

Probably the most popular of all carols is the 19th century "Silent Night," with words by Joseph Mohr, the village priest of Hallein, Austria.

Christmas Wishes

To our friends we want to say "thanks" and wish you the merriest ever.

MARY'S BEAUTY SHOP

NANCY KELLER - MARY WITHEY
CASS CITY

JOY TO THE WORLD

To all our friends and neighbors we sing a joyful carol of holiday wishes... love, peace, happiness, and togetherness.



CRESTWOOD LOUNGE

Ann Lenaa & Employees Caro, Mich.



HOLY NIGHT

Rejoice. Rejoice. The Prince of Peace has come. He brings great joy. Many thanks to all our loyal friends for the joy of serving you.

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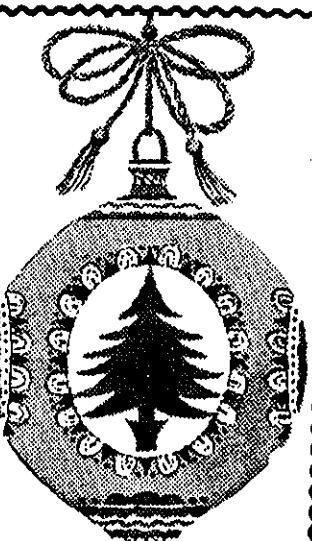


Merry Christmas

Home is where hearts are... especially during Christmas. Our hope is that every home is filled with the warmth of the true Christmas spirit. Many thanks to everyone.

GENERAL CABLE CORPORATION

CASS CITY



Greetings

The Christmas spirit is in the air! Enjoy it to the fullest.

Hillside Barbershop

Cass City

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Christmas! That special time of the year. A time when families and friends gather together to share and enjoy the season. And a time when we give special thanks.

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Christmas

In appreciation for
our many friends, we wish
you a merry Christmas season
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Hillside Beauty Salon

 SANDY SCOTT - SHIRLEY McINTOSH - WENDA MOORE
CASS CITY

Churches Celebrate Holy Day

With special services, churches of this community celebrate Christmas—a holiday that is, first of all, a holy day. Festivals of light, music and prayer are dedicated to the birth of a Holy Child in Bethlehem, nearly two thousand years ago.

For Christian believers, each of these—light, music, prayer—has a special meaning associated with Christmas.

"And lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy." Matthew 2:9-10.

The Star that guided the Wise Men shines as symbol of Christ, the Light of the world, and it in turn is symbolized by all the bright lights that twinkle at Christmas today.

Candlelight services reflect the radiance of the holiday, in Christian observances everywhere.

"And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." Luke 2:13-14.

Since the angelic chorus brought "glad tidings of great joy" to shepherds watching in the fields, hymns and carols of rejoicing have told of the wonder and glory of Christmas.

That the words of the angels composed the first of all Christmas carols is a thought repeated again and again in favorite songs of the season.

"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing" makes this thought its theme, and another familiar carol, "It Came upon the Midnight Clear," is devoted to "that glorious song of old," on the night when "the world in solemn stillness lay to hear the angels sing."

Christmas music in the churches celebrates the joy of the Nativity.

"And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him." Matthew 2:11.

"And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them." Luke 2:20.

Thus wrote two of Christ's disciples, Matthew and Luke, telling of the awe and wonder, the joy and reverence experienced alike by wise men and shepherds.

Especially at Christmas, in church services and private devotions, Christians give prayerful thanks to God, for the miracle of the manger.

Mistletoe Magic

Ancient followers of the Druid religion were the first to regard mistletoe as a sacred plant, say the editors of The New Book of Knowledge. They supposed it to have panacean virtues in warding off everything from witches to disease.

Each year, about the time Christmas is celebrated today, there was a ceremonial rite in which Druid priests, using a golden sickle, cut the mistletoe leaves from the "sacred oak" and distributed them amongst the people.

The Saxons also valued this plant; they were the first to call it mistletoe. To them, mistletoe symbolized everlasting peace.

IT'S LEGAL

Alabama was the first U.S. state to make Christmas a legal holiday, in 1836.

READY FOR YULE

"Christmas tree" is the actual name of a plant that grows in New Zealand.

Community Greet Joyful Christmas

Throughout this community, the Christmas spirit finds expression, as once again, people are proving that this happiest of holidays is a time of tradition. A modern Christmas, just like a good old-fashioned Christmas, calls for gatherings of family and friends, with much merriment, fun and feasting. Gifts and Santa Claus express the mood of the season, especially for the youngsters. Trees and other decorations, music and song, light and laughter set the scene. As a Christian holy day, celebrated in church services and private devotions, Christmas glows with the spirit of good will, and "peace and good will" is the wish and prayer, for all mankind.

All of these traditions of Christmas are wrapped up in one. The true spirit of Christmas is most happily expressed in the exchange of greetings. "Have a Merry Christmas." That says it all—the heartfelt hope for good things for others, the good feeling that prevails, the happiness of the season rising above problems and crises, the wish to give and to share all the holiday joys and blessings.

As a special custom that symbolizes the spirit of Christmas, the exchange of greetings takes many forms. "Merry Christmas" is said person-to-person, with smiles of gladness, wherever friends and family meet. "Merry Christmas" is the message of millions of greeting cards which travel across the miles. And "Merry Christmas" is the theme of today's edition of this newspaper, in which businessmen of the community offer their special greetings and good wishes, their words of appreciation to patrons and friends.

Sending Greetings

The custom of exchanging greetings at holiday time is older than Christmas. The custom of the Christmas greeting card, however, is a relatively new one.

Christmas cards originated about 125 years ago, in England. Despite this recent start, printed greetings quickly caught the public fancy and are today one of the most popular forms of Christmas holiday traditions.



Baking the Pie

"The devil dares not show himself in Cornwall at Christmas time lest he should be baked in a pie."

This old English saying takes its humorous inspiration from the wide variety of ingredients actually used in the mince pies and other Christmas pies of early England, according to the editors of The New Book of Knowledge.

One 14th-century recipe for a Christmas pie included: a pheasant, a hare, a capon, two partridges, two pigeons, two rabbits, beef meat balls, eggs, pickled mushrooms, seasonings and spices, all in a pastry crust.

Decorating Trees

The gaily decorated tree so much a part of Christmas has its counterpart in trees adorned with colorful trinkets during the ancient feasts of the winter equinox.

This pagan custom of decorating evergreens became associated with Christmas observances, and legends link it to the birth of Jesus. One such story says that on the night of the Nativity, all the woodland trees burst into bloom and bore fruit.

Singing Carols

With voices lifted in harmony for "Silent Night," "The First Noel" and other beloved songs, today's carolers carry on a Christmas custom that originated centuries ago.

In the fourth century A.D., St. Basil was praised with a musical poem in honor of the fight for Christianity over the Byzantine emperor Julian. Later in Greece, legends of St. Basil were set to music and sung at Christmas and the New Year.

St. Francis of Assisi led the villagers of Greccio in singing hymns of praise to the Christ Child when in the 13th century he created a manger scene in this Italian town.

Tracing Santa

Santa's source, legend says, goes back to the fourth century, when St. Nicholas, a bishop of Asia Minor, was noted for his generosity and gift-giving.

In some countries, St. Nicholas still retains his role as gift-bearer. His day is, traditionally, December 6th, and European children await him

A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS
To celebrate His birth... a host of warm blessings.

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They go together— feasting and festivity

During the Christmas season, merry sounds ring out, pleasing sights greet the eye—and tantalizing aromas fill the air. Good food is as much a part of holiday tradition as bells and carols, greens and gifts.

At this festive time, people delight in serving their families and friends an abundance of choice foods. The custom probably began with the ancient winter festivals.

In the course of time, naturally each nation developed its own treasured customs in connection with the Christmas dinner, say the editors of The New Book of Knowledge.

Serving the "Bird"

On American tables, the center of attraction is usually the turkey. This custom has its origin in the English "Christmas bird"—usually a goose, capon or chicken, rather than a turkey.

In medieval times, a large bird was standard fare at English Christmas dinners among the common people. In castle and manor, however, a "bird" wasn't always the main dish. To the tune of the old carol, "The Boar's Head in Hand I

Bear," the boar's head was borne to the table in solemn procession. Then followed other courses—and what courses! The most lavish of dinners usually featured a boar's head.

Breaking Bread

Everywhere, a widespread use of breads and pastries is customary for the Christmas feast.

This has its origin in pre-Christian and early-Christian customs of the agricultural nations of Eastern Europe, where peasants offered thanksgiving for a good harvest, usually of grain, during the winter season.

Special holiday cakes were thought to bring good fortune and good health.

More directly connected with the religious meaning of the season is the "Christ-bread" traditional in many countries. This is a long cake, and its shape is meant to symbolize the Christ Child wrapped in swaddling clothes.

Both mince pie and plum pudding began as national Christmas dishes in England. Like the "Christ-bread," early mince pies were baked in symbolic shape—an oblong meant to represent the manger.

Toasting the Holiday

As today's punch or eggnog bowl attests, favorite beverages and friendly toasts go along with the good cheer and good feasting of the holiday.

It all began with the English "wassail" bowl. The wassail, a holiday beverage of medieval times, was served hot in a large bowl, and it was compounded of ale, apples, eggs, sugar and spices.

The name comes from "Was Hallo," a Saxon greeting which means, "Your health." Gradually, the word "wassailing" began to mean any kind of Christmas revelry accompanied by a festive beverage.

For Icelanders, Christmas Eve is the holiest night of the holiday season.

Tradition says, however, that many years ago elves, dwarfs and other little folks pranced and danced about the streets on the night before Christmas

Burning the log

From a miraculous Star to a tiny candle, gleaming lights have cast a glow over holiday festivities for centuries.

Pagan sun-worshippers lit candles and kindled fires at winter festivals to help the returning sun gain strength.

Traditional for both light and warmth is the blazing Yule log. Like all "Christmas lights," it has both a religious and a festive significance in holiday lore.

Because legend says that the Christ Child was washed and dressed beside an ash wood fire, the people of early England always had Yule logs of ash wood. Ash had a practical aspect, too, because it was the only green wood which would burn.

The Yule log of England and continental Europe was often believed to have mystical powers to protect the home. To give this protection, the Yule log had to be kept burning all through the 12 days of Christmas.

Later, the "blazing Yule" was primarily associated with the feasting and festivity of the winter holidays.

When people speak to you in confidence, it is time to lessen your own in the matter.



Greetings

Best wishes for a Christmas season filled with merry moments and jolly spirits. And, a big bundle of cheer.

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Well-Loved Carols Ring Out Everywhere

"Joy to the world! The Lord is come!"

"It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old."

"Silent night, holy night, All is calm, all is bright."

"Oh come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant."

Throughout Christendom, the words of these well-loved carols are familiar even to little children, and they'll be heard this Christmas

wherever carolers get together.

"Joy to the World" was written by Isaac Watts (1674-1748), English hymnist.

Watts, who is known as the creator of the modern hymn, wrote nearly 600 hymns. Many of these still appear in Protestant hymnals, says the Encyclopedia Americana.

"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" is the work of Edmund H. Sears, a Unitarian minister in Massachusetts, more than a century ago.

Perhaps the most famous of Christmas carols, "Silent Night" was first sung on Christmas Eve, 1818, to guitar music.

Mice in the bellows had silenced the organ of a tiny Austrian church. Father Joseph Mohr met the challenge by writing "Silent Night."



Symbolizing Victory

In legend, the laurel and the bay have told the story of victory and triumph since the days of ancient Greece.

Ivy was the convivial green of pagan holidays, and was supposed to express the joyousness of Bacchus. The yew and the cyprus symbolize eternal life.

Sending Greetings

Perhaps even more than the giving of gifts, the sending of Christmas greetings symbolizes the seasonal spirit of good will.

The personal exchange of good wishes at holiday time is a custom that's older, probably, than Christmas itself. In ancient winter festivals the renewal of the earth at the coming of spring was linked with the renewal of friendships.

Though greetings and Christmas have long been associated, the printed greeting card is a relative newcomer to the Yule scene—introduced little more than a century ago. Nowadays, Christmas greeting cards go out by the billions, carrying their messages of "happy holiday" and "best wishes."

In the glad tradition of sending greetings, today's edition of this newspaper presents the special greetings of local merchants, as they express their good wishes and gratitude to customers and friends.



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Lloyd Bryant, and Staff
Cass City



Greetings

Santa's coming along spreading lots of holiday cheer. And, he's delivering special thanks to our nice friends.

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Why Pick Chimney? St. Nick Has Reasons

Why does Santa come down the chimney?
Of all the traditions connected with Santa, his unconventional mode of entry might seem the most puzzling. Surely the magical gift giver, who has the power to drive reindeer through the skies and who can cover the earth in a single night, could find an easier way to enter a house.

Like most of the lore of Christmas, Santa's choice of the chimney has several explanations. For instance, legend has it that the original Santa, St. Nicholas, presented three maidens with gifts of gold for a dowry. Modestly concealing his generosity, he tossed the gold down a chimney, in secret.

Another theory claims that Santa copied a goddess, who was the first to deliver gifts via a chimney. According to this legend, when the Vikings of Norway celebrated the Yuletide or winter solstice in their great halls, a festive feature of the occasion was the appearance of the goddess Hertha in the fireplace. As her name indicates, Hertha was goddess of hearth and home, and most appropriately arrived by way of

the chimney, to deliver her Yuletide gifts of good luck and good cheer.

Still another explanation takes a practical point of view. Housewives of Northern Europe, cleaning house for the New Year, used to coax children to help with the chores by saying, "Let's clean the hearth. St. Nicholas will soon be coming down the chimney."

The children willingly set to work, and thus, says legend, a tradition was born. Even when he takes to helicopter or jet plane, Santa delivers his gifts by way of the chimney!

Yule Greens Set Scene For Festivity

From the welcoming wreath on the door to the Christmas tree glowing with lights and bedecked with packages, from the cheery poinsettia plant on the mantel or table to the sprig of mistletoe with its promises of kisses and laughter, greens and plants set the scene for holiday enjoyment.

Many of the greens now used for Christmas decorations once adorned pagan rites, and were credited by the ancients with certain mystical powers and virtues.

Today, using greens has become holiday custom, regardless of religious or symbolic significance.

ADORN HOME

Decorative plates and limited edition plates make fine suggestions for those on the gift list "who have everything." Aside from adorning the home, these collector's items usually increase in value.

The Meaning of Christmas

Christmas is the time when . . .
We make approximately 75 per cent of our yearly profits. The time roughly between Thanksgiving and Christmas is our busiest season in the store. Easter is busy, too, but nothing like Christmas.

— a retail merchant

My wife and I think mostly about the kids. We had lots of fun when we were growing up, and we want our kids to have fun, too. Sure, we may go a little overboard on toys and all that sort of thing, but what the heck? Christmas is for kids, isn't it?

— a young father

We really go all out on music. Last year we hired a brass quartet to accompany the boys' choir. The congregation really loved it. The only trouble is that this year we'll have to come up with something even better or they'll think we are slipping.

— a church organist

People think they are celebrating an historical event. But they really aren't, you know. No one knows the exact date of Jesus' birth. The primitive church didn't even celebrate Christmas. Eventually the church settled on December 25th as a way to baptize an already popular, pagan holiday to celebrate the fact that the depth of winter was over and the days were getting longer again.

— a historian

Some of us get leave. Next Christmas I'll be home. I hope. It's a time when everybody should be home.

— a serviceman overseas

I get tired. The kids are on vacation. I have a thousand and one things to do — 500 cards to address, a half-dozen parties to go to, gifts for the children and Bob, a dinner party for Bob's boss and his snooty wife, get the tree and decorate it.

— a suburban housewife

People at Christmas time are kind of funny, kind of sad, kind of lonesome. Some are really happy no matter what reasons. Are these people really facing up to what Christmas is really all about? I wonder.

I have a copy of the Revised Standard Version of the Bible on my desk, and so I opened it and began to look through it, remembering what these people had said about Christmas. Here are some of the passages I found.

I found an expression of the wonder and humility of a mother expecting her first child, but a child unlike others: And Mary said,

"My soul magnifies the Lord
and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
for he has regarded the low estate of his handmaiden.
For behold, henceforth all
generations will call me blessed;
For he who is mighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his name . . ."

(Luke 1:46-49)

I found the simple, moving story of Christ's birth:

"And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to be delivered. And she gave birth to her first-born son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn."

(Luke 2:4-7)

And further on I found the joyous message of the angels to the shepherds on the hillside outside Bethlehem:

" . . . I bring you good news of great joy which will come to all people; for to you is born this day . . . A Savior, who is Christ the Lord."

(Luke 2:11-12)

But perhaps, most important of all, I found the story of Christ's life, a life which changed the history of the world and of the relationships between men. He said:

"Blessed are you poor, for yours is the kingdom of God."
"Blessed are you that hunger now, for you shall be satisfied."
"Blessed are you that weep now, for you shall laugh."
"Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you and revile you, and cast out your name as evil on account of the Son of man! Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven . . ."

(Luke 6:20-23)

And further on:

"Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. To him who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also . . ."

(Luke 6:27-29)

For the message of Christmas is not just the familiar and beautiful story of the birth of Christ and of its meaning for mankind. Christmas is the time when we remember the promise fulfilled by the Man who was born on Christmas. The people I have quoted — people not unlike many of us — have forgotten the true meaning of Christmas because they have forgotten the promise of Christmas.


The truth of Christmas and the renewal of our belief in the real message of Christmas lies both in our understanding of the simple and at the same time awesome fact of Christ's birth and in our realization of the intimate and immediate way the fulfilled life of Christ touched and touches our lives.



To heighten this season's joy
let us remember the first Christmas.

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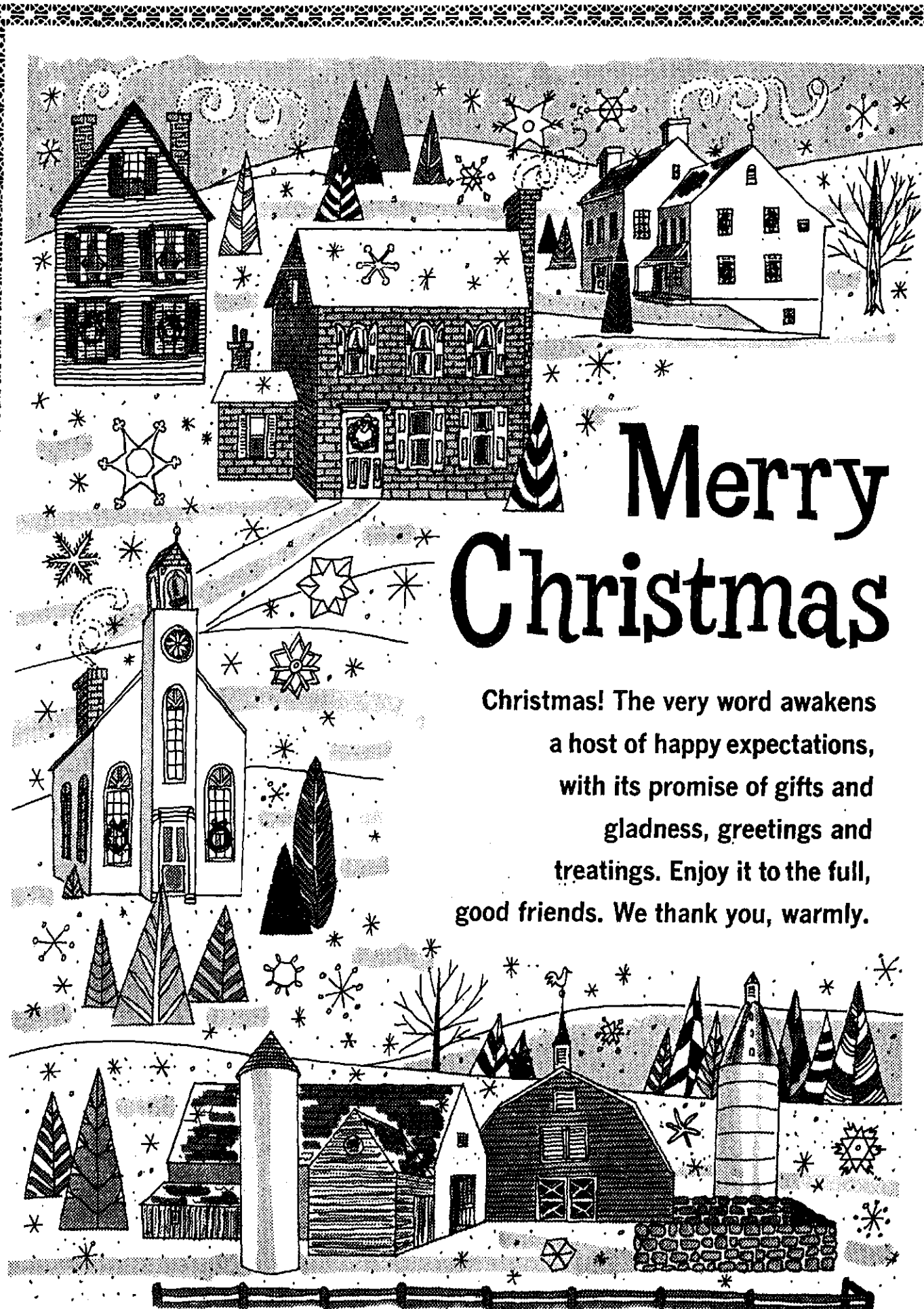
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Pageant has history in Medieval Dramas

As young actors and actresses of this community rehearse their roles for their special Christmas play or pageant, they take part in a custom treasured through the ages.

Since the Christmas story first was told, mankind has sought and found countless ways to create it again and anew, in song and story, in art and drama. The modern Christmas pageant, a feature of church observances in communities near and far, may well trace its history to early religious dramas — the mystery, miracle and morality plays of the Middle Ages.

Where did church drama actually begin? One possible source is the tradition of the Christmas crib or manger scene, but scholarly research indicates that medieval religious drama probably had other, separate origins, according to the editors of Encyclopedia Americana.

Easter Plays Came First
Representations of the

manger scene began with the use of doll figures, and history offers no evidence that people were ever substituted for the dolls. Living "actors" did, however, play a part in some early elaborations of church rituals.

In the 10th century, special chants written to accompany church music on festival occasions began to take the form of simple dialogues.

These were little more than dramatic inserts in the church services, but here, researchers believe, religious plays had their start.

Easter dialogues and plays probably came first, with Christmas plays developing as a natural result. Other religious dramas or mystery plays soon followed, until there were series or cycles of plays devoted to telling the entire story of the Scriptures.

Mystery cycles of the 16th century included as many as 40 dramas, which might be presented over a period of

several days. The cycles developed in virtually every European country.

Typical plays dealt with such subjects as "The Creation of the World and the Fall of the Angels," "Noah and the Flood," "The Annunciation," "The Passion of Christ," "The Death of Pilate," "The Resurrection and Ascension," "The Harrowing of Hell and the Coming of Antichrist."

Along with the mystery cycles were miracle and morality plays. Miracle plays recounted the miracles of the saints, while the moralities presented allegorical messages of moral instruction, with characters personifying, for instance, Vice, the Devil or specific vices.

For Feasting

Traditional Christmas treat in Spain is a sweet pastry called "dulces de almendra." The ingredients are sugar, flour, egg white and almonds.

Fragrance Of Spices, Herbs Wafts Through Holiday Season

WASHINGTON — The pungent aroma of spices and herbs means happy holidays to generations of Americans.

The wooden cookstove has given way to the electric range, but the same delectable odors of fresh mince pie, fruit cake, and roast turkey mingle with the pine fragrance of the Christmas tree.

Many popular holiday herbs and spices have such a long history that myths still cling to them, the National Geographic Society says.

Rosemary, for instance, is tied to the story of Christmas. Legend holds that the herb's white blooms turned to the blue of the Virgin Mary's cloak when she hung it on a bush to dry during the flight into Egypt. The plant then became known as "Mary's Rose."

Ancient herbalists believed that sage, now a staple in many dressings, improved the memory and assured long life. Doctors at Salerno, the great medieval school of medicine, asked, "How can a man die who grows sage in his garden?"

Imported by the Pilgrims, sage, bay

leaves, and thyme were among the first herbs to flavor festive American meals. In 1672, John Josselyn, Gentleman, in his work "New England Rarities," included thyme among the dozens of "herbs as do thrive here."

Marjoram's scent always has been highly regarded. Ancient Greeks and Romans believed the fragrant herb had been created by Venus, goddess of love, and used it to make crowns for happy young couples.

In the Middle Ages, the demand for spices bordered on mania. Rents and taxes often were paid with pepper. A pound of ginger could buy a sheep and an equal amount of mace was worth half a cow.

After explorer Marco Polo's journey to the mysterious "lands of spice," European merchants realized that sources of enormous profit could be reached by ship.

MERRY CHRISTMAS



Christmas...

Bells ring out the mounting joy in hearts and home this holiday.

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Bringing the Tree

Christmas trees were first introduced to France in 1837, when Princess Helen of Mecklenburg married the Duke of Orleans and brought with her to Paris the Yule customs of her native country.

In spite of this and many later efforts to advance the cause of the Christmas tree, Parisians still prefer the earlier tradition, which says that gift exchange time for French adults is New Year's day.

Baking Cakes

If the weather on St. Nicholas Day, December 6th, is misty, a Dutch legend can explain it. St. Nicholas is baking his cakes.

Traditional cakes — Zelten or Klosses — are adorned with different figures. These, children are told, are the marks made by St. Nicholas' donkey as he steps over the cakes on his way through the mist.



Merry Christmas, and many thanks to our loyal friends and neighbors.

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Christmas Greetings

Feeding the Horses

Twelfth Night is, in Spanish tradition, the time for giving gifts, and the traditional gift bearers are the Wise Men, who as they journey each year to Bethlehem bring gifts for good children.

To feed the Wise Men's horses on their long pilgrimage, Spanish children fill their shoes with straw and set them on balconies or window ledges.

ESTABLISHING CRIB

Though legend says that St. Francis of Assisi first introduced the Christmas crib in the 13th century, history records that the first manger scene was created by Pope Liberius in 354 A.D.

Picturing Nativity

The Christmas crib or presepio is an especially treasured part of the Portuguese holiday celebration. Every home and church seems to have one, and some of those in the churches are masterpieces of art.

Especially famous is the presepio in Estrela Church, Lisbon. This Nativity scene depicts the people of Bethlehem, in terra cotta figures. Unique among the crowd are the figures of an elephant and a bachelier.

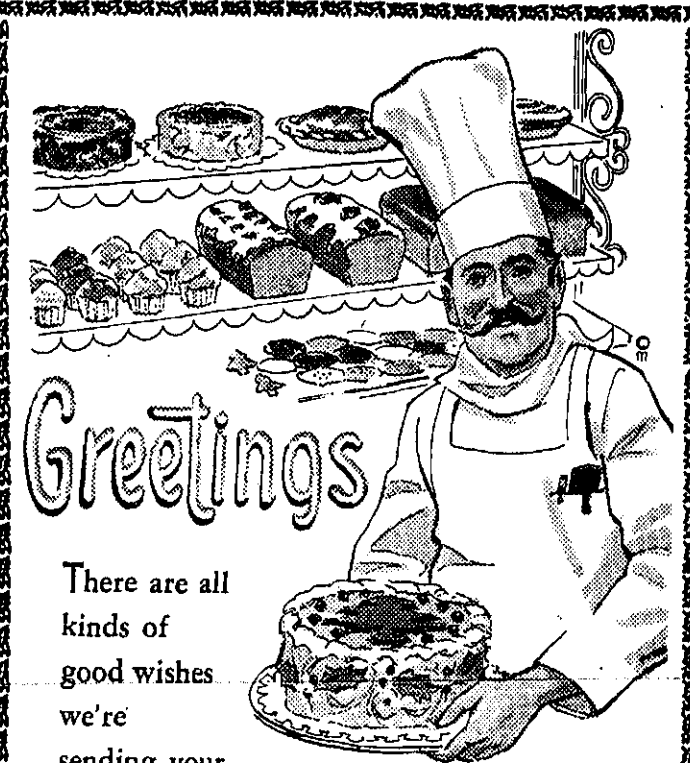


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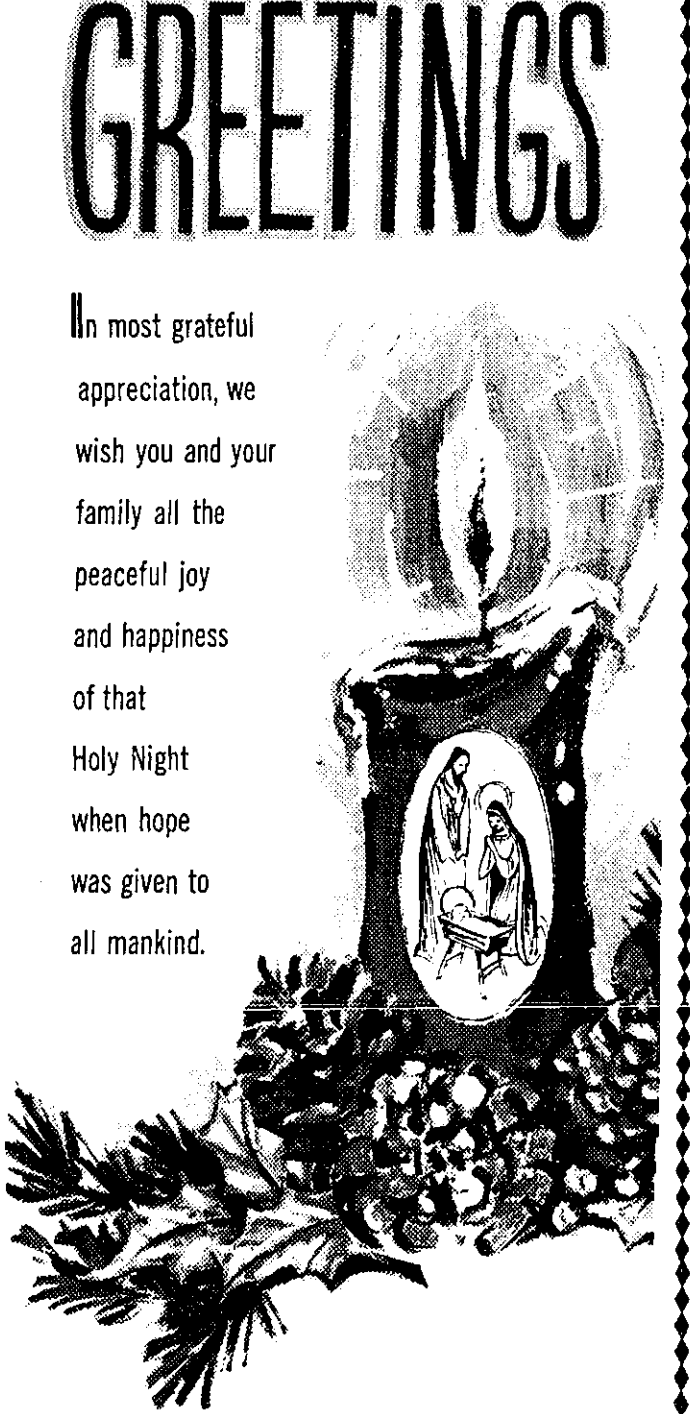
There are all kinds of good wishes we're sending your way... with a frosting of thanks.

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Yesteryear's Customs Live At Yuletide

Candles and carols, trees and treats, gifts and greens — and Santa Claus, of course. Wherever Christmas is celebrated, these symbols seem to appear.

In the modern era of rapid communication, there is a growing uniformity in the ways that people everywhere choose to mark the holiday.

Yesteryear's customs, however, still have their place in modern celebrations. It's a case of "the more things change, the more they stay the same," as countries, communities and individuals seek to cherish and preserve their own special holiday traditions.

Some of these traditions, as treasured in memory or kept alive in holiday ritual, are compiled in the following paragraphs, according to information from the editors of Encyclopedia International.

It's a Mystery

Mysterious things happen on Christmas Eve, say country legends of Switzerland. Young people may foretell the future, if they drink from nine different fountains while the midnight church bells chime. Then, if they hasten to the church steps, their future mates will await them there.

Somewhat less romantically, older folk seek to predict the weather for the coming year, using onion peels filled with salt.

How Many Holidays?

Traditionally, Belgians celebrate three holidays at the Christmas season — beginning with St. Nicholas Day, December 6th, when the good saint brings gifts for children.

Then comes St. Thomas Day, December 21st. It's a sort of "trick or treat" day for school children, who try to play tricks on their teachers.

The third holiday, of course, is Christmas.

Wrapping Gifts

When German tradition is followed, unwrapping a Christmas gift can be an amusing but complicated process.

One gift may have many consecutive wrappings, each with a different name on it, and the final wrapping may reveal not a gift, but a card telling where the gift is hidden.

Other cards in other hiding places lead to a treasure hunt.

Having complete satisfaction with himself for attaining the heights is the successful man's first step downhill.

Cardboard Castle Is Easy to Make for Holiday Fun

"Too pretty to throw away."

On Christmas Eve or Christmas morning, as beautifully-wrapped packages are opened, this remark is likely to be often repeated. Though the gift wrappings do indeed seem "too pretty to throw away," they must usually be consigned to the wastebasket. After all, what can be done with used gift wraps, once Christmas is over?

One answer might be: build a castle!

Save the most beautiful and colorful of the gift wrappings, find some laundry cardboard, follow a simple plan — and the result is a cardboard castle.

Suggested by a manufacturer of gift wrapping papers, this castle-building plan might be a Christmas-afternoon project for the children. After the first gift-exchange excitement is over, youngsters may appreciate a quiet pastime, and the cardboard castle offers an extra advantage in that it's as much fun to take apart as it is to build. The castle can be assembled and reassembled many times.

Although the plan is simple, adult guidance may be required — or at least, the adults can pretend that it is, so they can get in on the fun. Scissors, a ruler and rubber cement are the only equipment required, in addition to the gift wraps and cardboards.

Begin by cutting 24 pieces of cardboard, each five inches by seven inches. Cement gift wraps to each side and trim the edges.

To make Type "A" cards, cut one and one-quarter inch slits in 22 of the cards. Each card should have six slits, and the slits should be placed as follows: one slit on each five-inch side of the card, at the center or two and one-half inches from the outer edge; two slits on each seven-inch side of the card, with each such slit placed one and a quarter inches from the outer edge.

For the remaining two Type "B" cards, the slits can be omitted on the five-inch side. Two slits should be cut as described on one seven-inch side of the card. On the other seven-inch side, the slits should be diagonal — placed two and a quarter inches from the outer edge and cut on a slant to two and one-eighth inch depth.

Assemble the castle by joining Type "A" cards at right angles, alternating pairs. At intervals, insert cards horizontally for an interesting, balconied effect.

Reserve two Type "A" cards for roof.

Use Type "B" cards at top of castle, where the slanted notches will receive the Type "A" roof pieces.

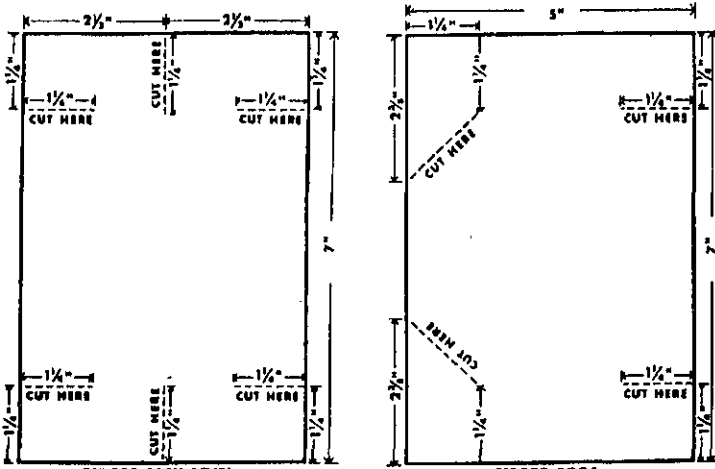
See illustrations accompanying this article, for sketched plan, and photograph of completed castle.

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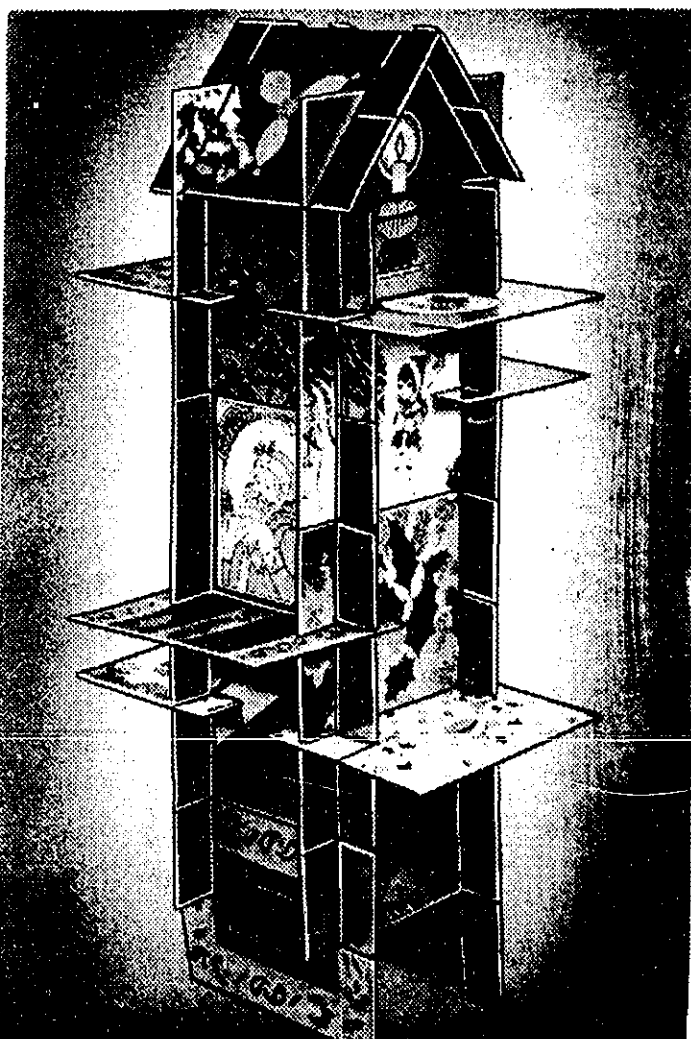
In most of the United States, the poinsettia is a prized Christmas flower. In Hawaii, however, it grows so profusely that it is considered too common for such an important holiday. Potted orchids, anthurium or the orange-and-blue flower called "bird of paradise" are Hawaiian holiday favorites.

"MELE KALIKIMAKA"

Wishing "Mele Kalikimaka" is the traditional way to say, "Merry Christmas" in Hawaiian.



SKETCHES SHOW HOW TO PREPARE cardboards, covered with gift wraps, for building a cardboard castle. Follow measurements, cutting slits wherever dotted lines appear. Join Type "A" cards at right angles, occasionally inserting cards horizontally. Type "B" cards go at top of castle, where slanted notches hold two "A" cards to form roof. Suggested by the Norcross Design Studio.



CARDBOARD CASTLE, MERRILY COLORFUL, GROWS from left-over Christmas gift wraps and laundry cardboards. Castle, pictured above, can be built from five-by-seven inch pieces of cardboard, to which gift wraps have been rubber-cemented. For directions, see sketches at upper left. Photo courtesy Norcross Design Studio.

Cities Put Up Evergreens

Comes Christmas, and cities everywhere renew the tradition of setting up a community Christmas tree — a custom which began early in this century.

In 1909, citizens of Pasadena, Calif., decorated an evergreen on Mount Wilson as the tree of the city.

The year 1912 saw community Christmas trees erected in Madison Square, New York, N. Y., and on the Common in Boston, Mass. Independence Square in Philadelphia, Pa., showed off its first community tree in 1914.

President Calvin Coolidge inaugurated the custom of a national community Christmas tree in Washington, D.C., when he was presented with a large evergreen by the University of Vermont, in 1923.



Blessings

This Holy Season is filled with many spiritual gifts. May you reap all of them.

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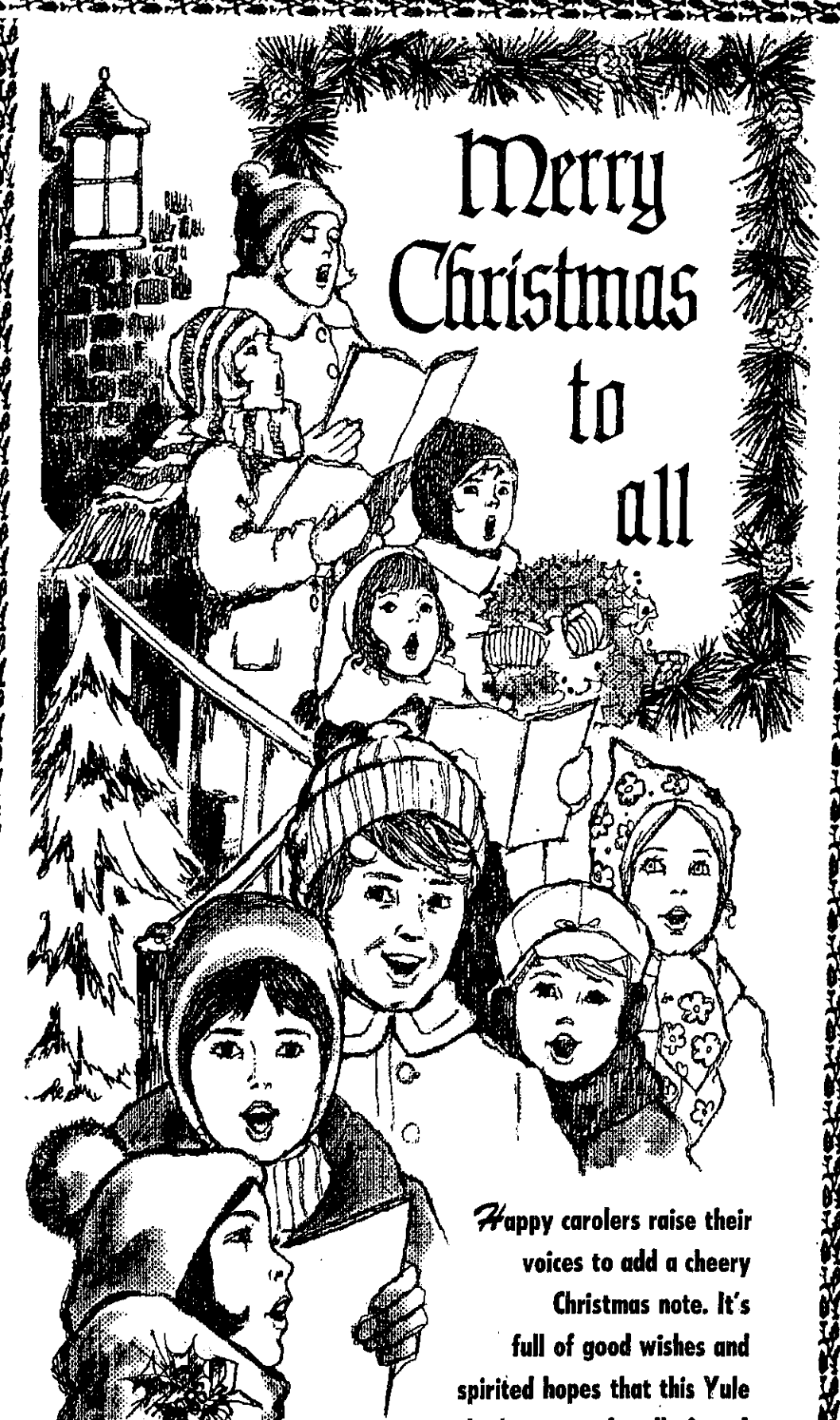
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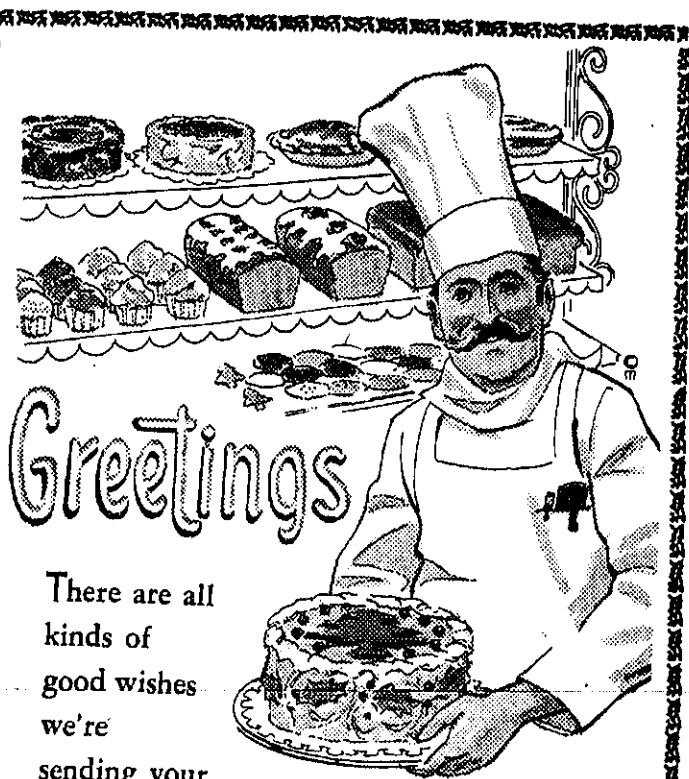
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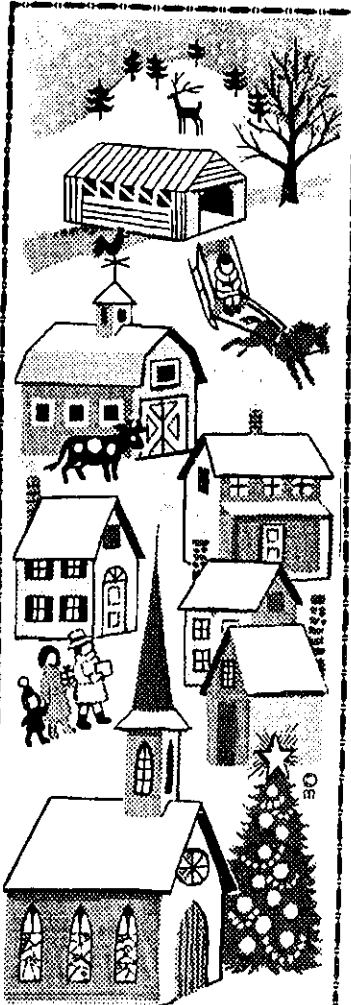
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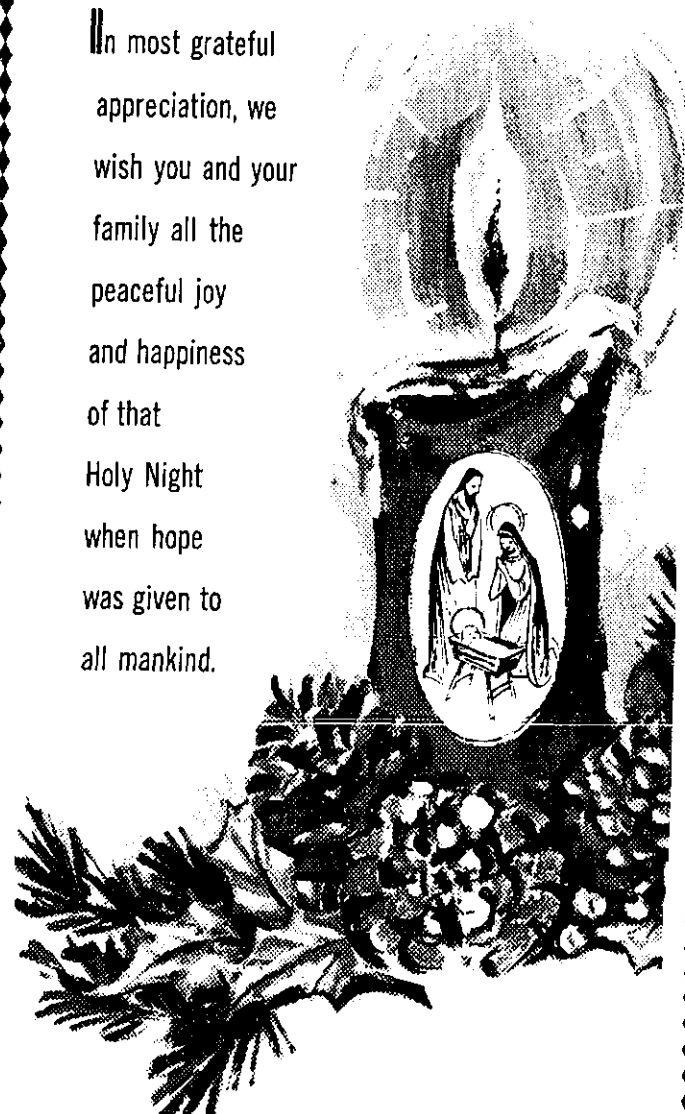
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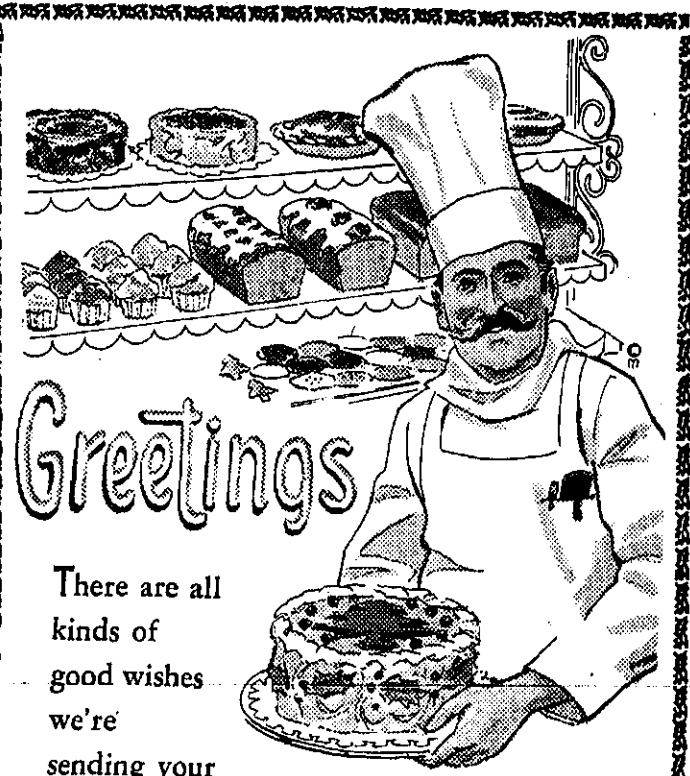
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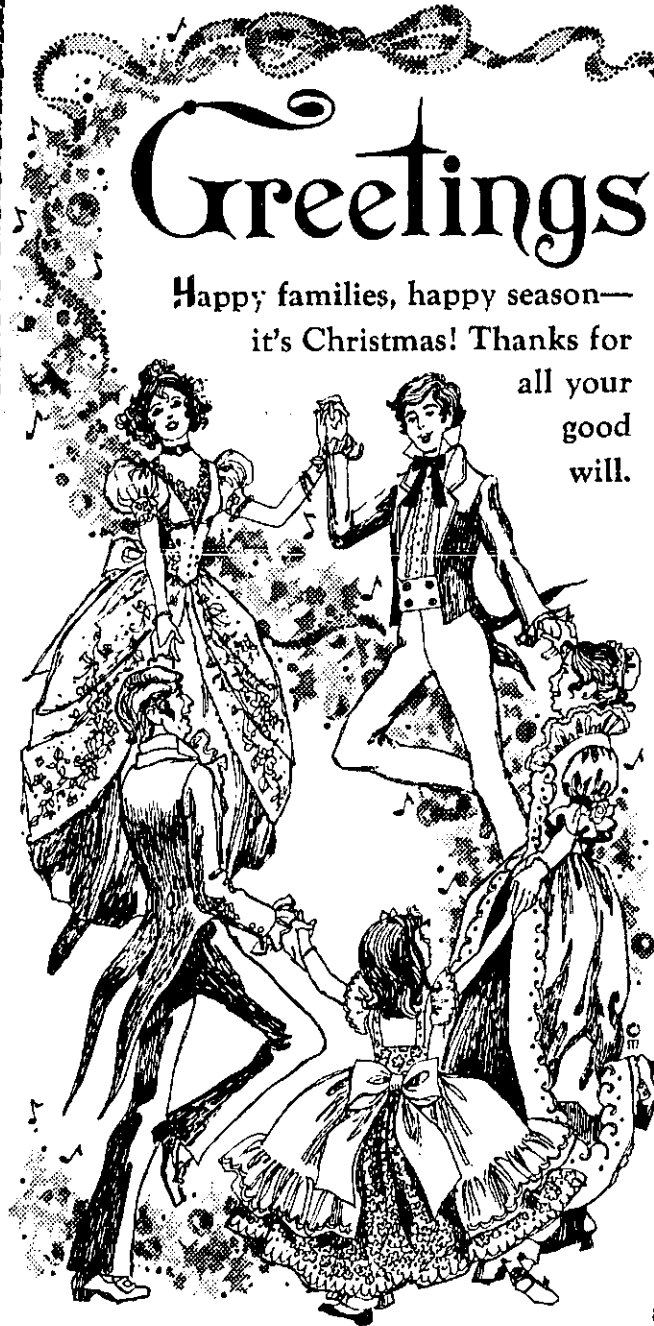
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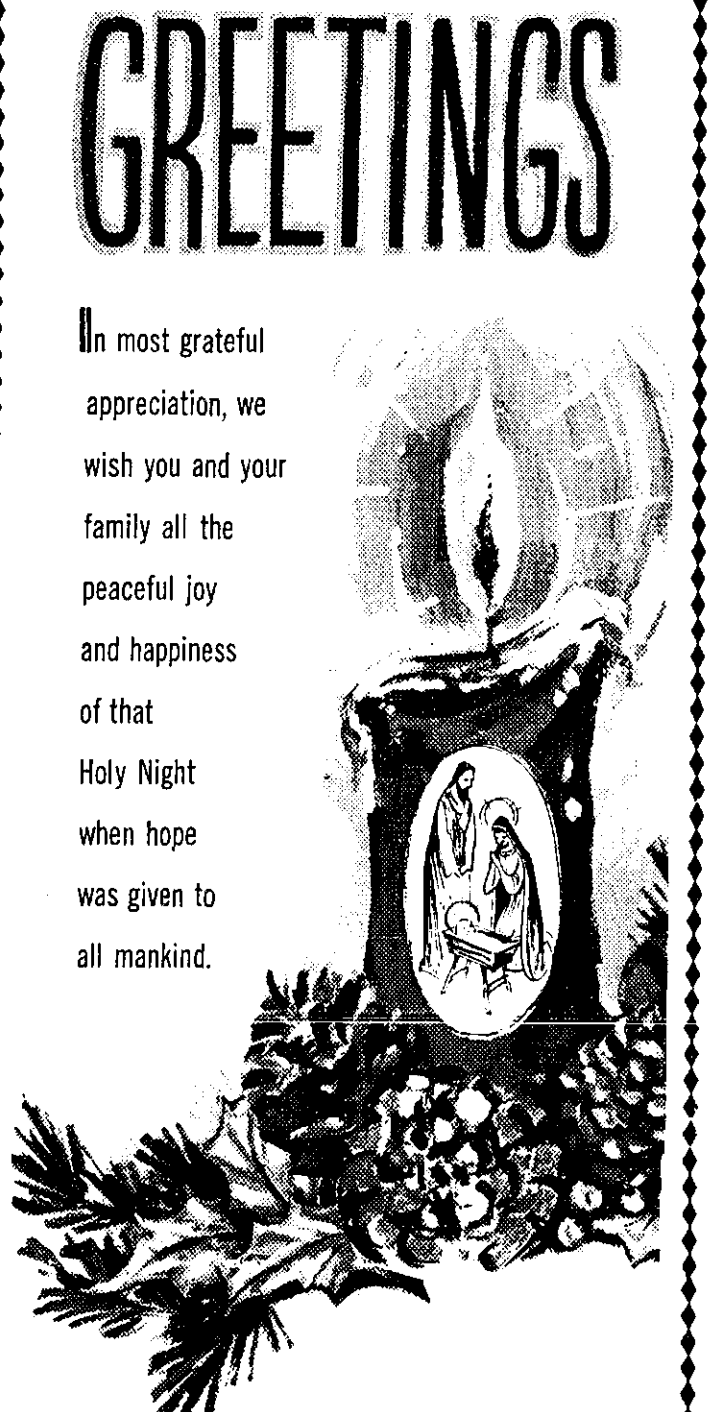


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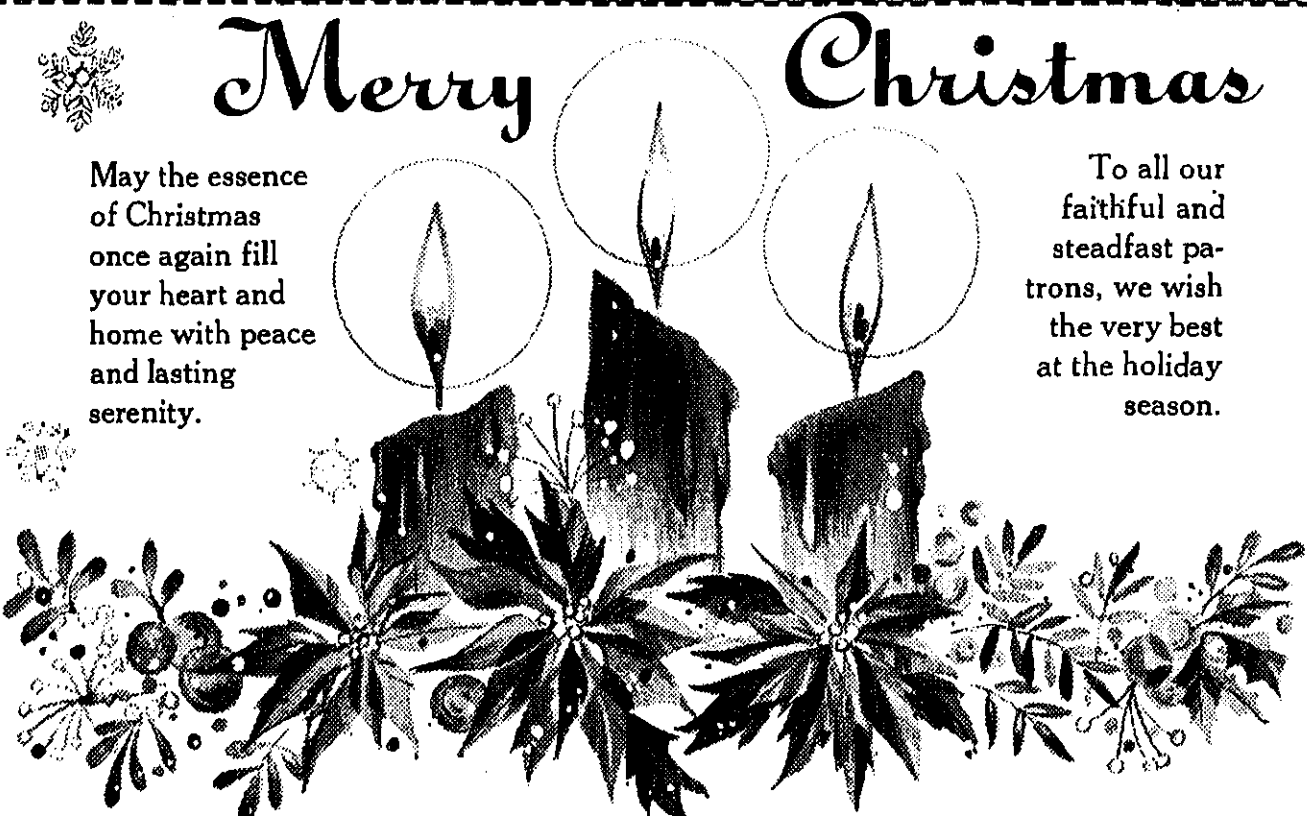
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Yesteryear's Customs Live At Yuletide

Candles and carols, trees and treats, gifts and greens — and Santa Claus, of course. Wherever Christmas is celebrated, these symbols seem to appear.

In the modern era of rapid communication, there is a growing uniformity in the ways that people everywhere choose to mark the holiday.

Yesteryear's customs, however, still have their place in modern celebrations. It's a case of "the more things change, the more they stay the same," as countries, communities and individuals seek to cherish and preserve their own special holiday traditions.

Some of these traditions, as treasured in memory or kept alive in holiday ritual, are compiled in the following paragraphs, according to information from the editors of Encyclopedia International.

It's a Mystery

Mysterious things happen on Christmas Eve, say country legends of Switzerland. Young people may foretell the future, if they drink from nine different fountains while the midnight church bells chime. Then, if they hasten to the church steps, their future mates will await them there.

Somewhat less romantically, older folk seek to predict the weather for the coming year, using onion peels filled with salt.

How Many Holidays?

Traditionally, Belgians celebrate three holidays at the Christmas season — beginning with St. Nicholas Day, December 6th, when the good saint brings gifts for children.

Then comes St. Thomas Day, December 21st. It's a sort of "trick or treat" day for school children, who try to play tricks on their teachers.

The third holiday, of course, is Christmas.

Wrapping Gifts

When German tradition is followed, unwrapping a Christmas gift can be an amusing but complicated process.

One gift may have many consecutive wrappings, each with a different name on it, and the final wrapping may reveal not a gift, but a card telling where the gift is hidden.

Other cards in other hiding places lead to a treasure hunt.

Having complete satisfaction with himself for attaining the heights is the successful man's first step downhill.

Pretty Gift Wrappings Can Be Saved

Cardboard Castle Is Easy to Make for Holiday Fun

"Too pretty to throw away."

On Christmas Eve or Christmas morning, as beautifully-wrapped packages are opened, this remark is likely to be often repeated. Though the gift wrappings do indeed seem "too pretty to throw away," they must usually be consigned to the wastebasket. After all, what can be done with used gift wraps, once Christmas is over?

One answer might be: build a castle!

Save the most beautiful and colorful of the gift wrappings, find some laundry cardboards, follow a simple plan — and the result is a cardboard castle.

Suggested by a manufacturer of gift wrapping papers, this castle-building plan might be a Christmas-afternoon project for the children. After the first gift-exchange excitement is over, youngsters may appreciate a quiet pastime, and the cardboard castle offers an extra advantage in that it's as much fun to take apart as it is to build. The castle can be assembled and reassembled many times.

Although the plan is simple, adult guidance may be required — or at least, the adults can pretend that it is, so they can get in on the fun.

Scissors, a ruler and rubber cement are the only equipment required, in addition to the gift wraps and cardboards.

Begin by cutting 24 pieces of cardboard, each five inches by seven inches. Cement gift wraps to each side and trim the edges.

To make Type "A" cards, cut one and one-quarter inch slits in 22 of the cards. Each card should have six slits, and the slits should be placed as follows: one slit on each five-inch side of the card, at the center or two and one-half inches from the outer edge; two slits on each seven-inch side of the card, with each such slit placed one and a quarter inches from the outer edge.

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Assemble the castle by joining Type "A" cards at right angles, alternating pairs. At intervals, insert cards horizontally for an interesting, balconied effect.

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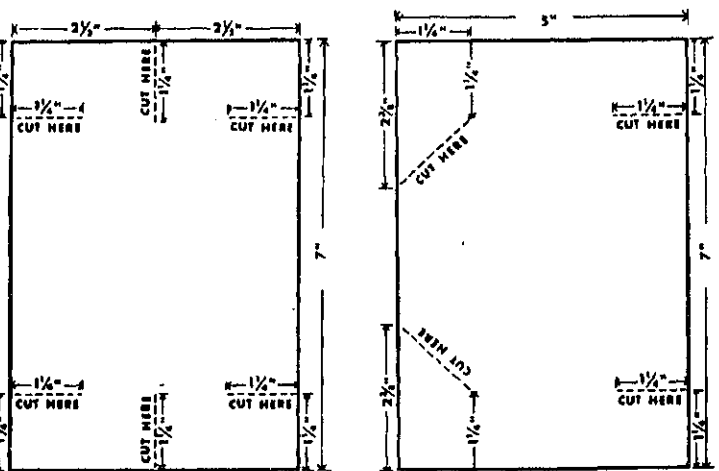
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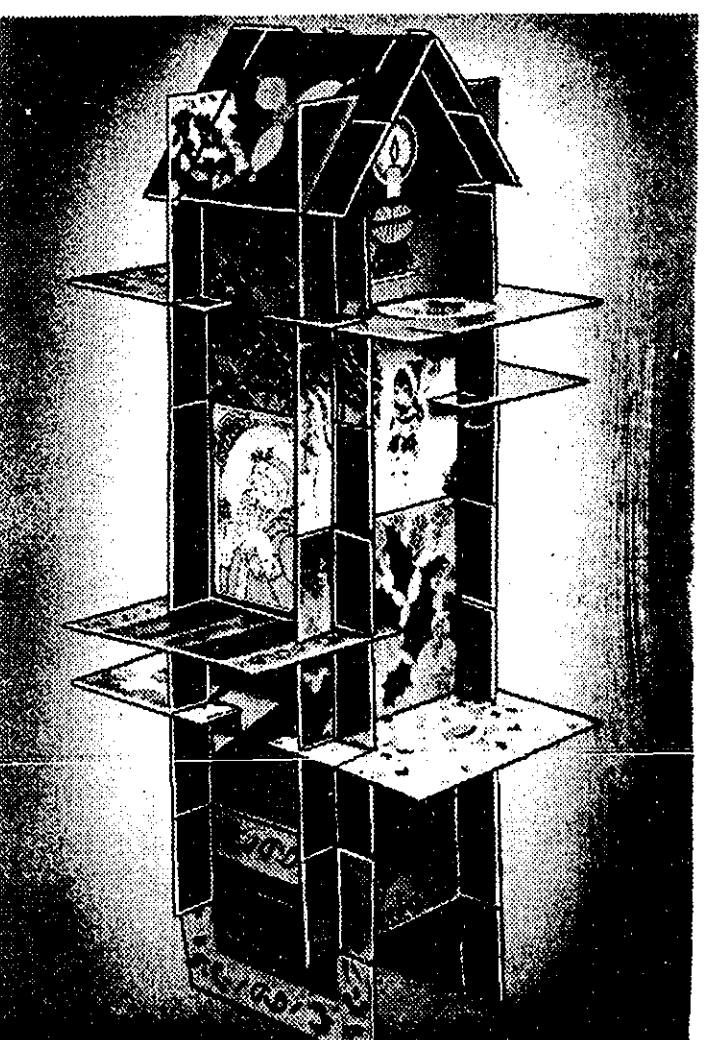
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"MELE KALIKIMAKA"

Wishing "Mele Kalikimaka" is the traditional way to say, "Merry Christmas" in Hawaiian.



SKETCHES SHOW HOW TO PREPARE cardboards, covered with gift wraps, for building a cardboard castle. Follow measurements, cutting slits wherever dotted lines appear. Join Type "A" cards at right angles, occasionally inserting cards horizontally. Type "B" cards go at top of castle, where slanted notches hold two "A" cards to form roof. Suggested by the Norcross Design Studio.



CARDBOARD CASTLE, MERRILY COLORFUL, GROWS from left-over Christmas gift wraps and laundry cardboards. Castle, pictured above, can be built from five-by-seven inch pieces of cardboard, to which gift wraps have been rubber-cemented. For directions, see sketches at upper left. Photo courtesy Norcross Design Studio.


Cities Put Up Evergreens

Comes Christmas, and cities everywhere renew the tradition of setting up a community Christmas tree — a custom which began early in this century.

In 1909, citizens of Pasadena, Calif., decorated an evergreen on Mount Wilson as the tree of the city.

The year 1912 saw community Christmas trees erected in Madison Square, New York, N. Y., and on the Common in Boston, Mass. Independence Square in Philadelphia, Pa., showed off its first community tree in 1914.

President Calvin Coolidge inaugurated the custom of a national community Christmas tree in Washington, D.C., when he was presented with a large evergreen by the University of Vermont, in 1923.



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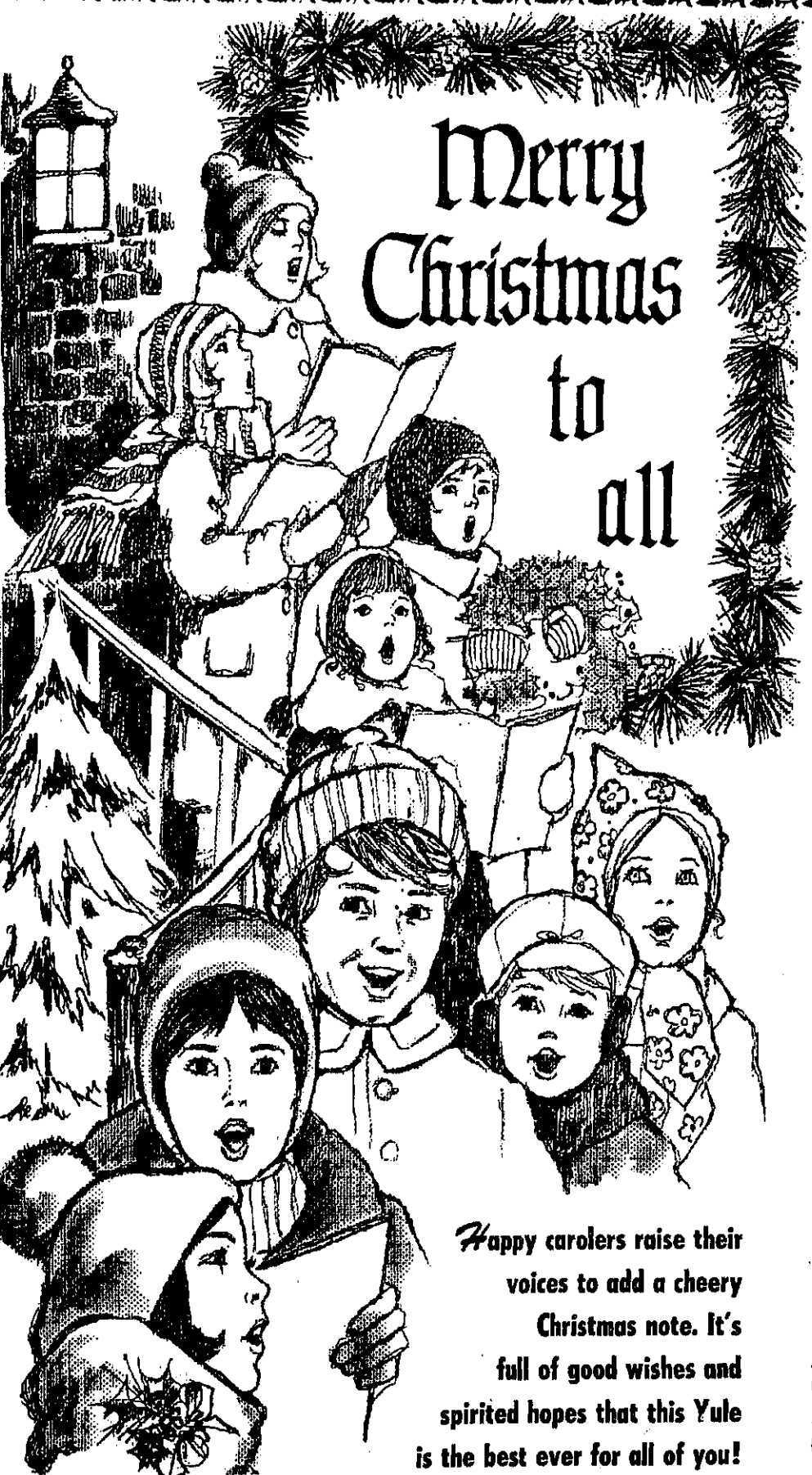


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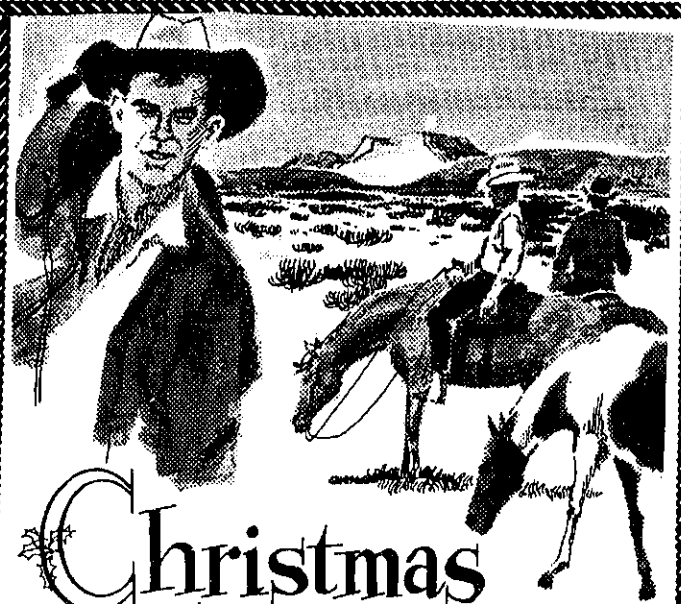


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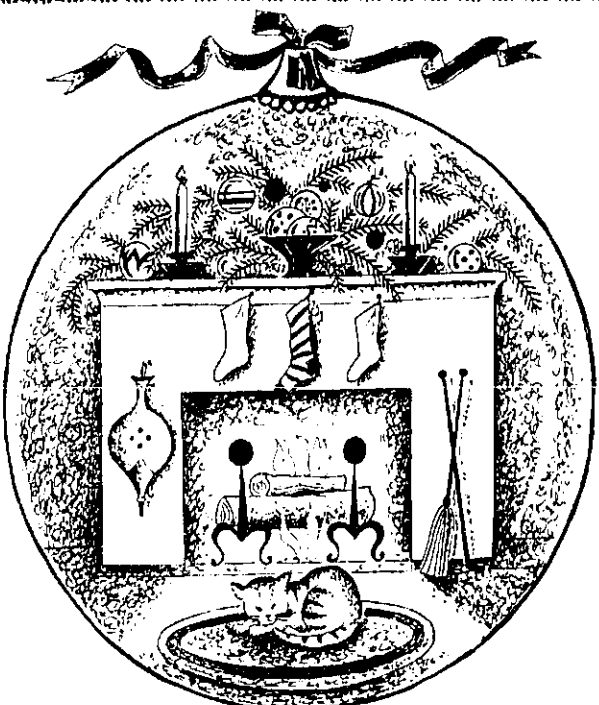


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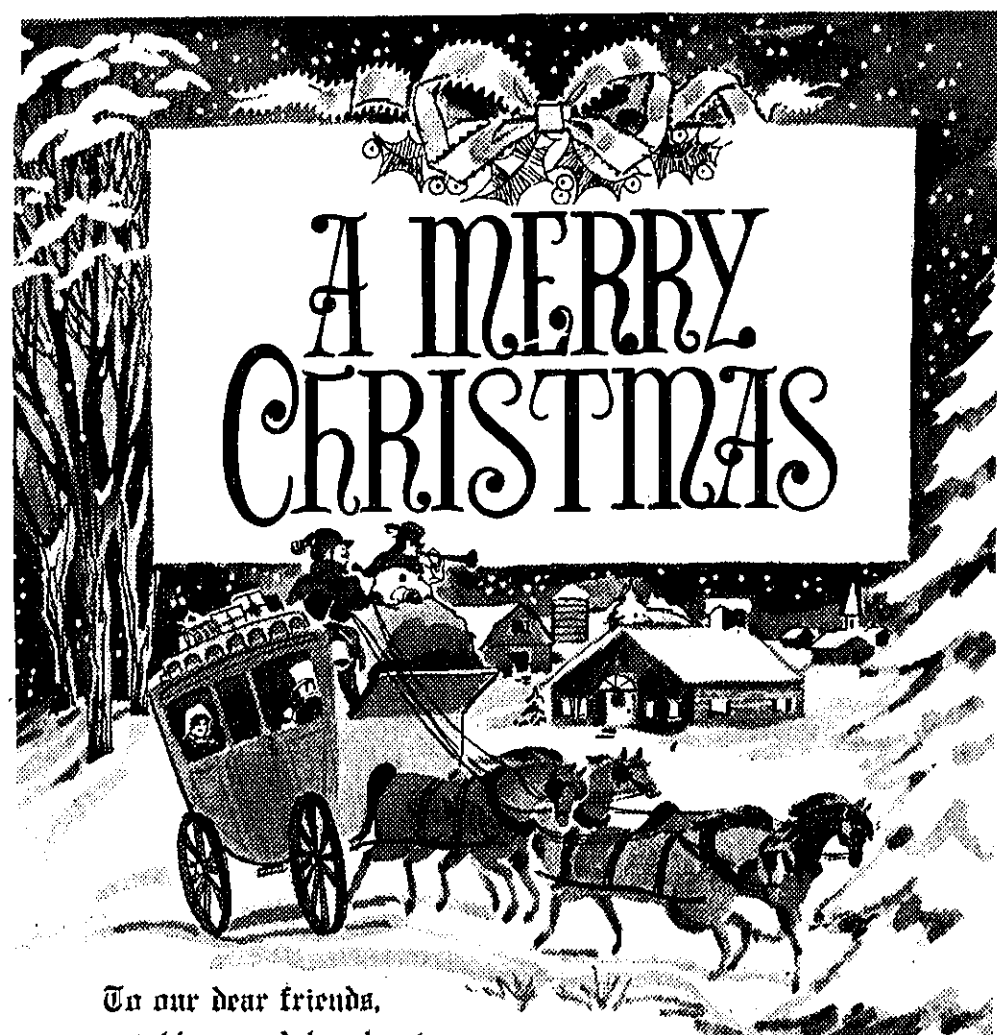
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Sweden contributes many tasty ideas for Yule time hospitality

For Christmas holiday entertaining Sweden offers dozens of tasty, easy-to-prepare and delightfully different menu ideas.

Holiday festivities begin early in Sweden—on Santa Lucia Day, December 11, continuing right through Knut's Day on January 14.

With a holiday month of nightly visiting and entertaining, Swedish housewives seek foods and dishes that can be prepared well in advance, stored easily and served quickly. The perfect answer—an assortment of smorgasbord specialties that combine to produce any kind of meal required.

Serving as a perfect base for platters of mounded shrimp, herring with dill-mustard sauce, or sour cream and capers are Sweden's famous WASA crisp rye breads, plain, seasoned or dark rye.

An especially interesting topping for the crispbreads is this Swedish hot crab-meat recipe:

Combine 1/2 pound fresh, frozen or canned crabmeat with a spoonful of sherry. Add a tea-



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Melt a tablespoon of butter—blend it lightly with a tablespoon of flour and add a cup of light cream which you have beaten with one egg yolk. Cook slowly over low heat for a minute or two, stirring constantly

with a wire whisk until mixture thickens.

Pour the sauce over the crabmeat, mix and stir them well with a spoon. Check seasoning. Mound on crispbread and serve cold—or run under the broiler for a minute before serving.

Art, Too, Shows 'Illumination To Light Up Christmas Scene

By ANNA MANG

Illumination. The very word seems to belong to Christmas, the season of light. Like the star that guided the wise men.

Creating Yule decor can be family fun

Just a bit of imagination—that's what it takes to create different kinds of holiday decorations for indoors and outdoors.

Tree trimming with conventional ornaments is fun, but tree trimming with edibles is delicious.

Begin by gathering the family around for a popcorn popping good time. Add fruit coloring to the skillet and get jolly colors to enhance the tree—whether it be an artificial tree or the real thing.

String the popcorn into ropes then wind and criss-cross them through the boughs. Popcorn balls can be wrapped in plastic for tasty ornaments.

Gingerbread people dressed with icing and gum drop animals can be suspended from the branches like marionettes.

Funny-faced lollipops and brightly striped candy canes help make this tree a tempting good treat.

Pine and fir trees in front yards are many times illuminated with bright strings of lights, sometimes twinkling on and off.

With a little carpentry skill weatherproof wood decorations can be made to further liven up outdoor displays.

Christmas illuminates the spirit of man.

In an artistic sense, illumination has another meaning that is also linked to Christmas: The decoration of books and manuscripts with colorful illustrations, initial letters and borders, "lit" by gold or, occasionally, silver.

Like all the arts, the ancient art of illumination was often employed by man in his efforts to capture some portion of the wonder of Christmas, to retell and to picture the story of the Nativity and related events.

"The Annunciation," "The Nativity," "The Adoration of the Magi," "The Flight into Egypt"—these and other scenes from the well-loved Christmas story appear again and again in the hand-lettered, individually-illustrated books known as illuminated manuscripts.

When It Began

In the early Christian era, illuminated manuscripts were generally the products of monasteries and cathedral schools. The first examples of illumination appeared, however, centuries before the birth of Christ.

The Egyptian "Books of the Dead," manuscripts intended for tomb burial to serve as guides for the deceased in the afterworld, offer examples of gold-lit vignettes dating back to 1350 B.C. These "books," written on

papyrus scrolls, envisioned afterlife as a continuation of life on earth. People and animals were pictured, along with decorative lettering showing swirls of gold and sometimes silver.

To Spread Learning

The coming of Christianity brought a continuing concern with religious subjects as the text for illuminated manuscripts. Monasteries of Egypt and Syria were early dedicated to the creation of art, the development of crafts, the spread of learning.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

High ideals are always good to talk about, but dollars have greater drawing power.

Collectors find stamps on holiday greetings

Stamp buffs have a perfect opportunity to add to their collections every Christmas season.

As greeting cards from friends pour in, so do unusual postage stamps. Some may depict Nativity scenes.

There are several special issue stamps commemorating the holidays.

The whole family can be on the look-out for these collector's items. Sometimes even foreign stamps appear in the bundles of Christmas mail.

Stamps can be easily removed by tearing the corner of the envelope off and soaking in warm water.

This makes peeling the stamps from the envelope paper a simple procedure.

Then, the stamps should be placed on absorbent paper for drying.

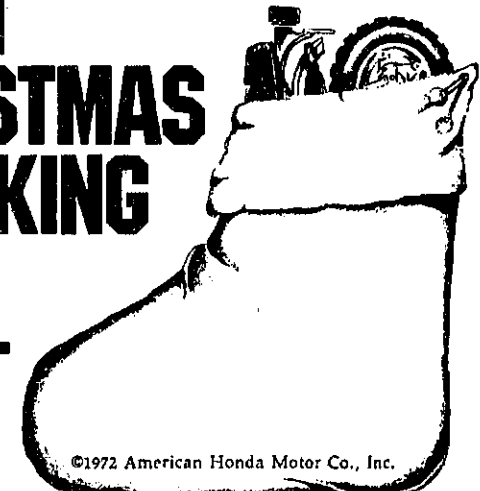
It may even interest the youngsters enough to decide to start stamp collecting as a hobby for themselves.

FRESH IDEA

Baskets of fresh fruit solve "what to bring the holiday hostess" problem.

When in doubt it's always a good idea to stick to the truth.

FREE GIANT CHRISTMAS STOCKING from HONDA.



Z-50
CT-70
QA-50

Now until Christmas you can get a giant cloth Christmas stocking absolutely free when you purchase a small new Honda. Either a QA-50 or Mini Trail* 50 for the youngsters. Or the CT-70 for older teenagers and grown-ups. The crazy giant cloth stocking will be fun this Christmas and many Christmases to come. The Honda will be fun all year long. Come in soon.

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There's no place like home to have a merry, merry Yule. And, that's why we're so very happy to serve friends like you!

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Christmas Greetings

We pause 'mid the holiday bustle to count our many blessings, and to express deep appreciation for the patronage you have given us. To you and yours, our fondest Christmas greetings!

We Extend Season's Greetings To

Our Many Friends and Customers and

Wish Them All The Best In the New Year

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Peace on Earth...

It's the season of love and goodwill. May people the world over share in its joys.

BROWN'S GROCERY

Cass City

Gagetown Merchants Send Annual Christmas Greetings

Gagetown Area News

Mrs. Elery Sontag

Phone 665-9956

Sunday guests of Mrs. C. P. Hunter were Vincent Weiler Sr. and son, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Weiler Jr. and son Mark and daughter Christine, all of Osoda.

Sunday evening visitors of

Mr. and Mrs. Elery Sontag were their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Sontag and five sons of Bach.

Rev. Fr. Donald Christensen returned home after being a patient at Hills and Dales

Hospital for a few days last week. Rev. Fr. James Miller will be here for a few weeks while Fr. Christensen is convalescing.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Polk, who have operated the Gagetown Hotel for the past 18 years, moved Sunday to their new home on their farm near Uby. Al Bennett, the new owner, and his family have purchased the business.

The North Elmwood Farm Bureau group held their Christmas party and dinner at the Heidelberg Inn, Sebawaing, Monday, Dec. 4. Following dinner, there was an exchange of gifts when 22 members attended.

The regular meeting of the Sr. Women's Study Club was held at the home of Mrs. Margie Rice Dec. 7. Following the business meeting, a special Christmas program of slides on "A Trip To The Holy Land" was shown by Mrs. Leo Ware and Mrs. Thelma Pratt of Cass City.

Anthony Repshinska accompanied Mr. and Mrs. William Repshinska of Cass City to Lapeer Sunday where they had a family pre-Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Repshinska and family. Others attending were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Christie and Mike, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Repshinska and David and Roy Weiler, all of Detroit.

DELAYED NEWS

Mrs. Vincent Wald returned home last Friday after being a patient at Hills and Dales Hospital for a week.

Miss Sandy Emmons of Caro spent last Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Elery Sontag.

About trees

Perhaps the most common use of holiday greens is seen in the lively, decorated Christmas tree found in many homes at this time of year.

There are many legends concerning the origin of Christmas trees. One belief is that the first Christmas tree was a palm tree brought from Egypt. The 12 parts of the palm were supposed to represent the 12 apostles, according to the editors of the Encyclopedia Americana.

The use of pine and cedar Yule trees is generally thought to be of German derivation. The introduction of the ever-green Christmas tree came to English-speaking peoples after the marriage of Victoria of England to the German prince, Albert.

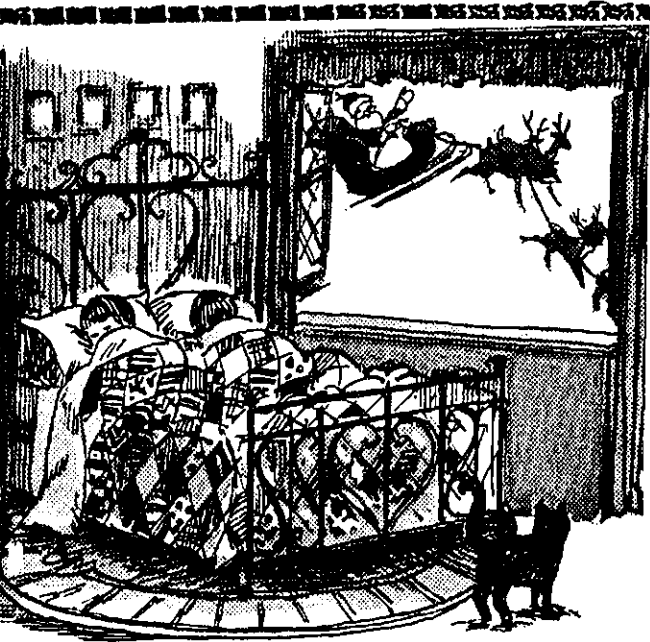
IN THE STOCKINGS

Little girls love to discover tiny trinkets, little dolls and dolly accessories, toiletries, hair care items, doll house furnishings.



May this glorious season reflect the spirit of love in every heart and home.

HUNTER FUNERAL HOME
Gagetown



'Twas the Night Before Christmas

At this happy moment of the year, we pause to greet you and do wish you a Christmas filled with delight.

Petrolane Gas Service, Inc.

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Holiday Relish

Greet this holiday season with new relish! Serve colorful, flavorful cranberry conserve developed by the importers of Bordo pitted and diced dates. Made with fresh cranberries, nuts and imported dates, it's a perfect accompaniment for the traditional Christmas turkey.

To prepare enough for eight servings, place 4 cups of fresh cranberries and 1 cup of water in a saucepan; simmer until cranberry skins pop open. Stir 2 1/2 cups sugar and one peeled and sliced orange in to the cranberry mixture. Simmer for 10 minutes. Then add one 8-ounce package of Bordo imported diced dates (or Bordo pitted dates, cut up) and 1 cup of chopped pecans. Stir, and simmer for an additional two minutes. Chill before serving.

LOOSE ENDS

Life is nothing more than a great big bundle of little things bound with strings that are always coming untied.



CELEBRATING THE BIRTH OF CHRIST IN SONG is a centuries-old tradition, as shown in the Christmas hymn above. The Latin hymn appears on a leaf from an illuminated Antiphony of 15th-century Italy, now in the Library of The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York City (Gift of Louis L. Lorillard, 1896). More familiar today is "Joy to the World," above right, by the English hymnist Isaac Watts, set to music by Handel. Song sheet by Hallmark.

Add a letter from family to greetings

Add a fresh touch to holiday greetings. When Christmas cards are being written to distant friends and relatives, slip a little something extra into the envelope. Enclose a family news letter.

It's fun for the whole family to gather together happy events of the past year. This includes the addition of a newborn, a first grandchild, that long-awaited trip that was taken, marriages, graduations, promotions, awards and interesting future plans.

Friends will look forward to an "across-the-miles" synopsis that keeps them abreast of the family's turn of events.

And it's easy to put a newsy letter together. Just collect the information and list it under the name of the member it concerns.

To reproduce it in the number desired, check with shops that offer such service inexpensively.

They will be able to print as many copies as you need. They should be in a position to do your "Family Letter" on green or Christmas red paper to heighten the festive holiday effect of the news-greeting.



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Merry Christmas

Santa's sleigh is ready to deliver our season's best wishes.



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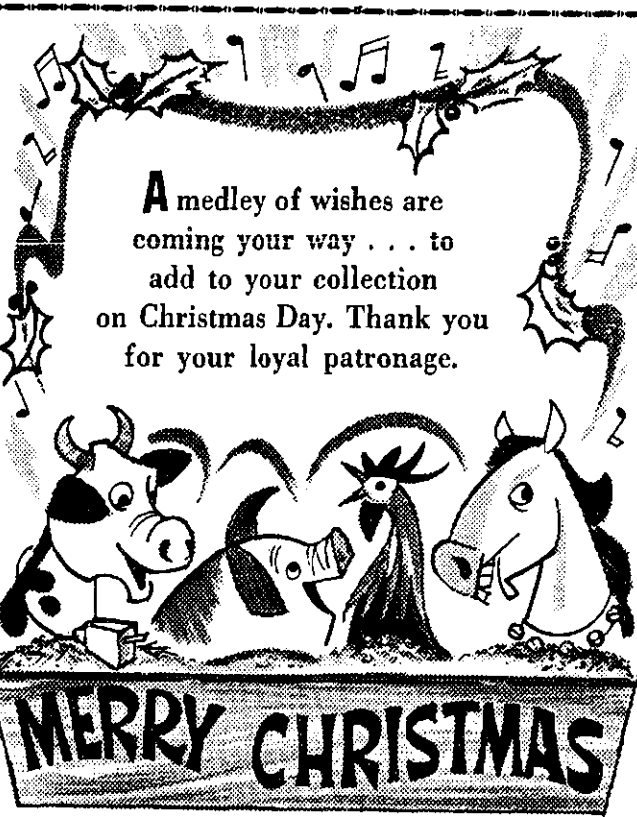
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Silent night...

Voices join to herald the birth of our Saviour. May you enjoy peace and contentment with your loved ones.



RAPSON'S MARKET
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A medley of wishes are coming your way... to add to your collection on Christmas Day. Thank you for your loyal patronage.

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O holy night...

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