

Felton

The Christmas program of the Felton Methodist Church will be held tonight at 8 o'clock. Candle-light service will be held Sunday evening at 6 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Donaway and son, Bobby, were in Baltimore Sunday to visit Mrs. Donaway's brother-in-law, Charles Weiss, who is a patient in Baltimore City Hospital.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Simpler Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Abbott and Mrs. Annabel Morrow, of Dover.

Mr. and Mrs. B. T. East have returned home after spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Morrow and sons, Eddie and Tommy, at Yeadon, Pa.

Mrs. Margaret Glanville is suffering from a fractured hip as the result of a fall at her home last Friday.

Emmett Jester has returned to Wilmington, after being in Felton some time, due to the illness and death of his father, John G. Jester.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Adams were in Wilmington Saturday.

Miss Elsie Clark accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Jackson, of Goldsboro, to Bethlehem, Pa., (the Christmas city), over the weekend to see the lights.

Miss Doris Dill spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Jarrell. On Sunday Pvt. Hoover Jarrell, telephoned home from Berlin, Germany.

Last Saturday evening Lenora Hughes was given a surprise party in honor of her 16th birthday. Many young people from town attended this enjoyable party.

Mrs. Henry returned to her home in Maplewood, N. J., Sunday after spending a week with her granddaughter, Mrs. John Bunnell, and Mr. Bunnell.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Moore spent Sunday afternoon with their daughter, Ann, at the University of Delaware.

Two families have moved from our vicinity the past week. They are Lawrence Farrow and family to Harrington, and Gilbert Gourelly and family to Dover.

The Christmas party of the Felton Avon Club was held in the Community Hall Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 12. The high school brass ensemble played Christmas carols. Mrs. A. C. Dill gave a reading and the pre-school children of the club members rendered recitations and songs. The children taking part were Lois Holden, Patty Warren, Sammy Ludlow and David Wood. Santa was there with a gift for all. Decorations and refreshments were in keeping with the Christmas season. The next meeting will be a Sunshine Sister party January 2.

The firemen of the Felton Community Fire Company entertained the Kent County Fire Association Wednesday evening, Dec. 12. A delicious chicken dinner was served by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Felton Fire Company. This was the first meeting in the new firehouse since the completion of the building this month.

In spite of the bad weather last Friday evening, the Christmas party given by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Felton Fire Company for the firemen and their

families, was well attended. The program was made up mostly of Christmas recitations and songs by the children. Santa made his appearance and had apples for all. Games were played and delicious refreshments were served.

Members and friends of the P-T. A. enjoyed a fine music program the past Monday evening. John Bunnell directed the musical program which featured the elementary school band, the elementary school chorus, the high school brass ensemble and community carol singing. Santa Claus was present with a treat for the children. After the program parents and friends visited the rooms to see the Christmas decorations and gifts made by the pupils.

Christmas vacation for the Felton School start today (Dec. 21), after assembly program by both elementary and high school grades. The out-of-town teachers will leave to spend their Christmas vacation at their homes.

Frederica

In so far as one day is concerned, the formal celebration of Christmas is the same in Frederica as in any other part of the world where this great holiday is observed.

Previews of the tree are forgotten because the tree, regardless of its size, shape or decorations, has a beautiful radiance on Christmas Day. The thoughts of what gifts were wished for with feelings of necessity or simply pleasure are forgotten in the exchange when are spoken "Just what I wanted" and "couldn't suit me better."

The words "Peace on earth, to men good will" are remembered as they were correctly imparted at the Christmas Eve church service, and they are recalled frequently before the day is over. They are recalled because each one tries, to his utmost, to hold his quick temper and to develop his more charitable understanding—of the opinions of others.

The regular mail is not a worry; banking hours do not matter. The farmer gives his livestock an extra bit of food; the trolley conductor is in no hurry to have one board the car. Carefully the milkman slides the bottles on the porch; the elevator operator is solicitous of one's comfort. Neighbors call and if they do not like candy they eat it and say, "Somebody special must have sent this. It's simply delicious."

Even if you don't like bedroom

slippers you put the new pair on Christmas Day, because, suddenly, you do like slippers for lounging around the house. Breakfast is late, dinner is later and supper is whenever you like.

It is Christmas Day! These few days before Christmas are the unique ones in our small town. Even though we have experienced Christmas in large cities or on the farm, each time Christmas nears the small town it takes on an atmosphere all of and for its own.

We cannot help but tell our friends of the gifts we plan to give. We are all glad that so many chances were sold, by the Cub Scouts. The interest is real because the Cub Scouts gave the local kiddies a treat—an affair in the community building. We know, too, who won the turkey and the basket of groceries, and we are glad that it was someone who has been so active in the fire company and the Lions Club.

The gay dance, the ladies auxiliary gave for the benefit of the new truck fund, was beautiful to participants and onlookers alike, and some saw neighbors who had seemed far away—when viewed in the light of their last visit.

Friendly care was a part of the planning for the Sunshine baskets to shut-ins and the Sunday School treat to the children.

With light steps we pass the houses of those who are bereaved. We watch the windows of the local merchants and we will know they had good sales when we see many articles disappear just before the stores close this Saturday night.

The week before Christmas there is very little visiting from town to town or from town to city—except for shopping. The shopping takes the form of an excursion when junior and miss go along to get the trinket for the school pal, the gift for teacher, that second or third "extra" present for mother and dad.

Sunday there will be visitors at church and the special music

and sermon theme will be planned, in part, for them too. It matters little, except to ones own household, who visits whom—this week.

It is a few days before Christmas and it is grand!

Houston Methodist Church Notes

10 A. M. Church School, Howard R. Moore, superintendent. Despite the cold weather last Sunday the attendance to the Church School was high. There are yet some in the community of all ages who are not attending the Church School. Come out next Sunday and get started. The warm welcome and the good fellowship which you receive will keep you coming. Always a good lesson and good singing.

11 A. M. Morning Worship Service. Mrs. Ethel Johnson, organist; Samuel Snyder Gott, minister of music; anthem by the Senior Choir. A special number will be

sung by several members of the Junior Choir. Sermon by the pastor, "A Portrait of Jesus."

7:30 P. M. This service will be in charge of Mrs. Eleanor Yerkes and Miss Hazel Sapp and the Junior Choir. This will be one of the finest programs ever held in Houston Methodist Church.

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"What Is Our Promise in Jesus Christ?" is the Christmas lesson for study in the Sunday School on Christmas Sunday. Session begins at 10 o'clock. Classes for all age groups.

The nativity of our Lord will be celebrated at the morning worship beginning at 10 o'clock.

At 7:30 in the evening the annual carol service will be presented by the combined choirs of the church. A fine program has been arranged. Support this outstanding service with your presence.

On Sat., Dec. 22, the Beginner and Primary departments of the Sunday School will hold a Christmas party in the Collins Building beginning at 1 o'clock.

The Pathfinders Class will hold its annual Christmas covered dish supper Fri., Dec. 28, at 7 p. m. in the Collins Building.

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Farm Front News

From Construction Engineer To Cattle Breeder Is Story of Frank Bache

On the Eastern Shore of Maryland are many beautiful farms and estates. Garnished with great white oaks, many of them centuries old, and sloping down to the waterfronts of the numerous bays and inlets of the Chesapeake, these demesnes limn a picture of tranquillity and contentment.

In this setting are some of the nation's outstanding herds of Aberdeen-Angus cattle, and not the least of these gems is the herd of Canton Farm, at historic St. Michaels. "From construction engineer to cattle breeder," is a good title for this article, for Frank S. Bache, owner of Canton Farm, was a construction engineer, with residence at Scarsdale, N. Y., until he went to Talbot County, Md., several years ago.

With an eye for beauty, as well as functional design, he laid out and supervised the construction of a ranch-type dwelling in a bend of San Domingo Creek. A brick dwelling-house, built in 1881, was on the place but he later sold it.

The farm itself supported no more than seven or eight dairy cows. Its 120 acres today support between 70 and 80 registered Angus cattle.

It was in October, 1947, that the Baches got their start as Angus breeders. They bought a cow, Blakeford Major's Baroness, at the Blakeford dispersal sale at Queenstown. This beauty had

been bred to Queen's Grenadier G. R., the Blakeford herd bull. Luck was with the Baches, for the cow dropped a bull calf, Baroness' Grenadier of Canton, in June, 1948, and this blueblood is now the senior herd sire. He has sired 26 calves in the past two years. This monarch is a joy to behold, with his extremely short legs, fine head and shoulders, and a vigorous masculinity.

A junior bull in the Canton herd is Major Bardolier, purchased from Timber Grove Farm, Owings Mills, Md., last April. His first calves are due in February. His dam is a double-bred Blakeford Black Major cow, Reveldina. His sire is Bardolier of Anoka 40th, a grandson of Black Bardolier. The senior bull is also out of a double-bred Blakeford Black Major cow.

As an outcross from the Bardolier strain, Canton purchased Ankonian 98th, a grandson of Glencarnock Eric of Cremona, in the 1940 grand champion at the International Livestock Exposition in Chicago.

Canton also has two bulls of service age that are consigned to the spring sale at Montgomery, Ala. The Maryland farm culls its males rigidly; out of 15 bull calves, they have steered 11.

Some of the outstanding of 39 bred cows on the place are as follows:

Edella of Cremona, daughter of Wintonier 4th, 1941 grand

champion at the International. Edella's dam was by Glencarnock Eric of Cremona.

Barona of Wilmae, by Prince Sunbeam 46th. Barona of Wilmae was the blue ribbon senior yearling heifer at Frederick last year. Then, there is also Whitney Erica 22nd, the winning senior yearling heifer at the Kent & Sussex Fair here last year.

Canton bought six open heifers last spring in Kentucky. These come from the most desired families, Mr. Bache said, including Whitney Karama, Mignonne, Witch of Endor (shades of Shakespeare), Bonnie Bouquet Miss Burgess, and Glencarnock Elba.

Canton is especially pleased with the sale of its cattle. For instance, it sold a 14-month old Blackbird heifer at the Maryland Quality sale at Frederick to Bryan's Manor Farm, of Salisbury, for \$1550. She won first prize in her class, although she was the youngest in the class, in the pre-sale show at Frederick. She is the first animal Canton has sold at auction whose sire and dam were born on the farm.

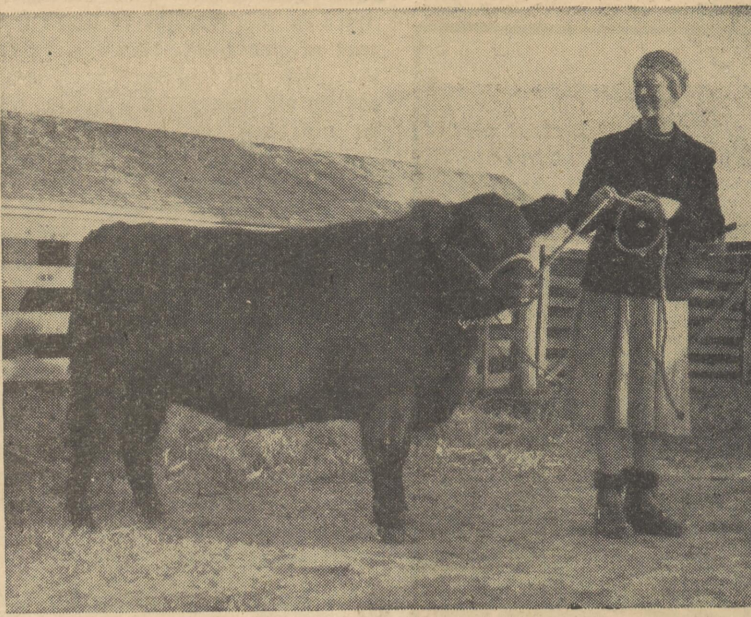
The farm has sold cattle in Mississippi, Virginia, New York, and Florida, to mention a few states. Purchases were also made by Ralph Bateman, of Elkton; Ralph Wheatley, East New Market, and Warren Johnson, of Oxford, Pa.

Canton Farm is constantly improving its facilities for taking care of its cattle. Recently, it constructed a bull barn, 48 feet long, for its three herd bulls. The barn has three 16x20-foot stalls, with pastures in front. Pastures and stalls are separated by a double-partition of 2x8-inch white oak planks.

Bache explained that a double partition was necessary, as two bulls could get their heads together, one on each side of a single partition, and break it. The bull pastures have no right-angle corners as another protective measure.

Canton Farm also has a feed barn, with a hay dryer of 500 bale capacity. Corn is placed in a rat-proof bin, with metal guards, or aprons, on the supports. There is also a metal storage bin filled with barley.

A Thing of Beauty Is A Joy Forever



This line from Keat's "Endymion" well suits this Black-cap Empress heifer, posed here with Mrs. Frank Bache, of Canton Farm, St. Michaels, Md. Mr. and Mrs. Bache purchased the Angus at the Maryland Quality sale at Frederick, Md., to which it had been consigned by Fair Hope Farm, Chestertown.

Homemakers Corner

Hints for Holiday Decorating

You needn't buy expensive holiday decorations for your home this season, says Harry W. Dengler, University of Maryland Extension forester. You can make lovely decorations from such things as an empty fruit juice can or child's toy.

To make a nice-looking candle, for instance, you simply peel the outside wrapper off a fruit juice can, punch a hole in the top and insert a pipe cleaner as a wick, and coat the outside of the can with melted paraffin. A paint brush should be used, Mr. Dengler advises, to apply the paraffin coating. And if the shiny tin of the can shows through the paraffin, it will add to the candle's attractiveness. Fill in the top of the candle by slowly pouring the paraffin on the can until the edges are concealed.

A candleboard makes a nice looking table or mantle decoration, Mr. Dengler says. To make it take a small board about one inch thick, and drill holes three-fourths of an inch in diameter to hold the candles. Evergreen boughs, ribbon bows, and Christmas balls placed over and around the board add the festive touch.

Bells can be made of a kitchen funnel covered with aluminum foil. Measuring spoons covered with the same material may be used as clappers. A square bell can be made by covering a grater with aluminum foil and using a wooden spoon as the clapper.

If you'd like to add a holiday touch to the dining room table, Mr. Dengler suggests that you make a centerpiece of a child's small wheelbarrow, and load it with fruits and nuts or pine cones and Christmas balls. Place a colorful candle in the middle of the load, and surround the wheelbarrow with evergreen boughs.

Masten's

Mrs. Virgie Brown is still confined to her bed, but is somewhat improved.

Alfred Brown, who has been a patient in University of Pennsylvania Hospital, has returned home and is doing nicely.

Mrs. Carroll Welch and Mrs. Audrey Kates spent Saturday with their mother, Mrs. Nettie Wix, who is very sick. Her friends hope for a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Blades had a dinner guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. James Blades and son and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Blades and daughter, of Felton.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Kates and Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds Kates and Shirley visited Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kates Sunday.

The farmers are killing hogs around here and the cold weather is ideal for the job.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Betts and Leroy, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. William Paskey Jr., were in Baltimore Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Camper spent Saturday evening with Mrs. Alvirde Minner.

Billy Townsend, of Roanoke, Va., called on his father, W. E. Townsend, last week.

Del. Veterinarians Elect Officers

Dr. J. L. Cherry, of Dover, was elected president of the Delaware Veterinary Medical Association in a recent meeting.

Other new officers of the organization are Dr. H. D. Roberts, Newark, vice-president; and Dr. C. A. Woodhouse, Wilmington, secretary-treasurer.

The members of the executive board are Drs. J. R. West, Milford; R. Sard, Smyrna, and G. Rosenberger, Wilmington. They were re-elected.

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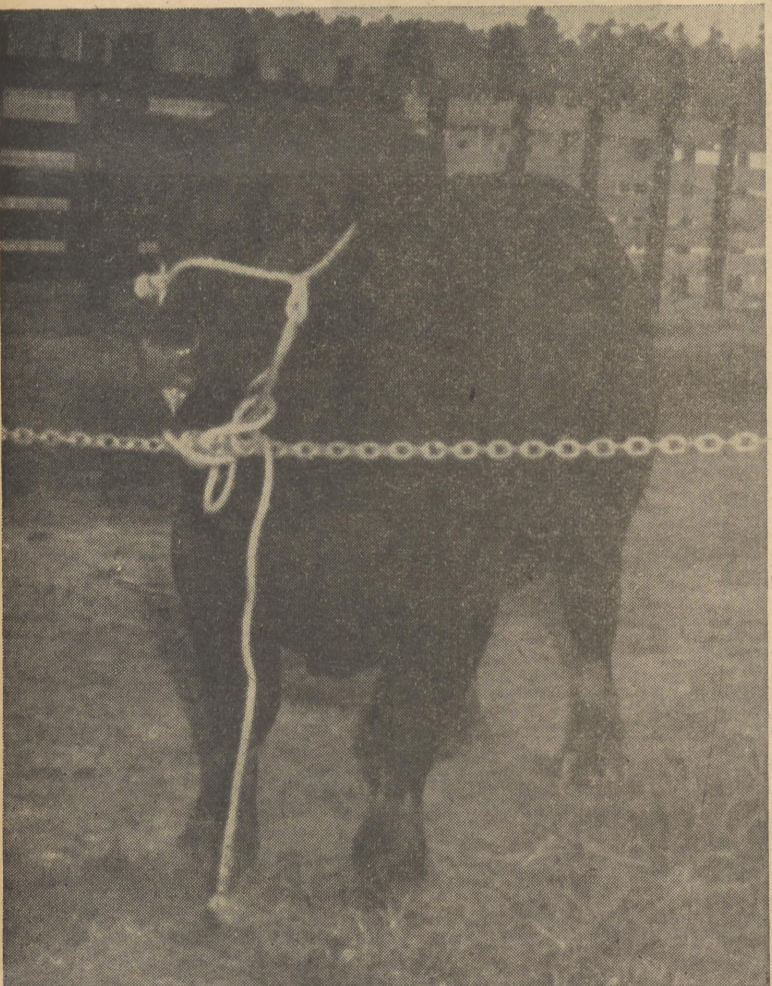
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SOME CHRISTMASSES I HAVE SEEN

Permit us to digress from the use of the editorial "we", just this one instance, and use the first person singular "I" in this Yuletide editorial.

I believe Christmas was made to order for the children. I know I got more kick out of it as a youngster. The first Christmas I remember was when we were living at Morehouse, Mo., down in the boot-heel of the "Show Me" state. I could hardly have been more than six or seven, so I place the time about 1912 or 1913.

I had wanted ole Santa to bring me a cowboy suit for Christmas, but hardly expected one. Nevertheless, I awoke before the rest of the house Christmas morning. It was cold and justly barely dawn. The day was cloudy. Snow was on the ground and a peaceful stillness permeated the morning air. Still in bed, I looked into the kitchen and there was my cowboy suit on a clothes line. I remember how, sometime in the afternoon, I went across the street to a confectionary store to buy a hot chocolate. I had on my cowboy suit and money jingled in my pockets.

And the early Christmas trees—before electric lights had come into common acceptance in homes, A bright, metal clip was attached to the branches of the tree and colored candles put in the clips. I can still smell the melting wax.

Then there was another Christmas I spent at Key Field, Meridan, Miss., during the war. It was Christmas Eve and, as usual, I was on KP. I was not surprised as I also had the onerous task on Thanksgiving Eve. A girl friend, who swore she couldn't live without me when I was shipped from Scott Field, Ill., two months previous, hadn't written me in a month and I was rather blue. I had determined to paint the town red after I got off KP. But I didn't: about 7 p. m. I got a Christmas package from my friend.

After work I went to my tarpaper shack and went to bed. The other boys, however, really celebrated. With jugs of Mississippi moonshine to comfort them, they chased one another, in ankle-deep mud, around the barracks the whole night through.

The weather was warm, that Christmas in 1942 in Meridan, but my spirits again dropped. About all I could hear was "White Christmas" and I have hated the number ever since. Oh yes, I got KP again New Year's Eve, also a letter from my "girlfriend" saying she was engaged. Her new boyfriend was going into the service, however, and the wedding would be performed later. "Oh yes," I said, dubiously. She married another guy after the war.

Next Christmas I had dinner in a cave in the Santa Lucia district of Naples. The Italian family lived in a cave, formerly a blacksmith shop, because the Nazis had an unpleasant habit of bombing the near-by harbor a couple times a week. There were times when I was glad they did live in a cave.

Christmas dinner was cooked over the forge. Heat was provided by a wash basin of charcoal, fanned by a palm-leaf fan. We had turkey (which I had purchased), black bread, vino, potatoes, finocchio. The Falconettis had wanted eels, a favorite Christmas dish, but the price had gone up—and up—and up.

Like many others, I am always glad when the holiday season is over. Yet I would not dispense with the holiday; the kids get such pleasure from Christmas. Verily, it is a thrill that comes but few times in a lifetime.

And too, it is always nice to see the homes and business district of Harrington decorated with lights and a tree. For the past several years, I have heard many compliments on how nice the town looked. The businessmen and individuals are to be praised for their part in the enterprise. It is wonderful how the civic clubs, too, pitch in with them to help make the affair a success. There is no selfishness and to me this shows a true Christmas spirit. There are no Scrooges in Harrington at Christmas time. But even Scrooge saw the light.

MIZ ANGIE TAUGHT 'EM

I think that the reason school teachers are so hard to find is not due so much to low salaries as to the aggravation of the job. Most teachers today ride herd on a bunch of kids who have no respect for God Almighty on down; and if a teacher tries to instill respect in the old-fashioned way . . . when newer methods fail . . . then that teacher is besieged by a gang of angry parents with war paint and scalping hatchets.

I wish some of our modern mammas had invaded Miz Angie's domain where I went to school. I repeat again on this page that Miz Angie taught her pupils to keep Quiet, take Off their hats, and say "please"—and when you find a kid doing those three fundamentals he's started on the upper level of good conduct.

Miz Angie had a loving heart and a sharp tongue. If that tongue didn't do the job . . . she had a ruler—and if that still fell short of the mark she had a black-gum switch that stood four feet tall in the school room corner. I saw her wield that rod and curl Elmer Dennis's hair one day, and him eighteen years old and six-one in his stocking feet—and if Elmer had lifted his hand to Miz Angie—then "Con" Dennis (his pappy) would have peeled the rest of his hide off when he found out about it. Elmer grew up to be a right nice feller, and he'd fight you today if you low-rated Miz Angie. . .

"Top It Off!"



Maybe the barrel stave on the bottom wasn't exactly aesthetic—but it got results. Maybe some of this book-raisin' is all right in some cases, but it looks like there's a change of sentiment taking place.

It looks like a lot of our modern parents have decided that, maybe, the rod has been spared these too many years, and that the wear and tear on parental nerves is a lot less, and good behavior results a lot quicker, if a few blisters are raised in the right places.

Me—I don't know. Maybe I've done a bum job on mine. If I have you'll know about it sooner than I will: But anyhow, I think the fashion is changing in raising kids; and that the rear-busters are winning out over the brain-trusters.

Indian River (Fla.) News

Subsequent events lead me to believe that the goat assimilated more of the meat of that book on mesmerism in one minute than I had assimilated in hours.

Alcoholic Anonymous, we are told, has no slogan—only a creed: "I will not take a drink today"—or something like that.

THE MERRY CHRISTMAS BELLS ARE RINGING AGAIN

By Elizabeth C. Gleason
Felton, Delaware

Little children Christmas time is here. The merriest day of all the year. The towns are lighted bright and gay. To remind us will soon be Christmas Day. For the merry Christmas bells ring again.

Santa to all the children are to ear, The time for him is drawing very near. He is selecting toys for them both night and day. To make the little children happy and gay. Merry Christmas Bells ring again.

Old Santa will think of all of you, Of old folks and babies too. He will be around on Christmas Eve night, So hang your stockings and put out the light. For merry Christmas Bells ring again.

Then away to bed you must all go, Don't forget to say your prayers you know. For Santa will creep in late at night, Fill all the stockings and fill them right. The Merry Christmas Bells ring again.

For Santa knows what little children like, Are dolls, drums, and pretty red bikes. He will leave all he can to make you gay, On this bright and happy Christmas Day. For Merry Christmas Bells ring again.

We must not forget the ones that are old, For us they have pure hearts of gold. They too once were little happy girls and boys, Santa years ago left them candy and toys. Now Merry Christmas Bells ring again.

Now we must make their hearts happy and gay, On this bright and happy Christmas Day. For them we must have a gift and kind word too, The days gone by they surely thought of you. Merry Christmas Bells ring again.

Although the merry Christmas bells will ring. Merry Christmas Bells ring again.

We can sadly place a memory of wreaths, On their graves of Christmas flowers and green leaves. Which will show they are still dear on this day, Where so many people are happy and gay. For the Merry Christmas Bells ring again.

So those who have loved ones passed away, Cannot feel so happy on this Christmas Day. But God will help us through His saving grace, To wear a little smile upon our face. When the Merry Christmas Bells ring again.

We will think of those that were so dear, We will think of you and sadly brush away a tear. And try to wear that little smile on Christmas Day, And try to make other people happy and gay. Merry Christmas Bells ring again.

So we hope on this happy 1951 Christmas Day, All the old folks and children can be gay. For only a few more days and Christmas is here, And I wish all a Merry Christmas and a happy 1952 New Year.

Spirit of Christmas

By Samuel A. Short, Jr.

Christmas, the birthday of Christ, is a day most celebrated by all people on some day of the year. The 25th day of December is the day we people of our United States celebrate this day on this special occasion.

Christ was born in Bethlehem, the city of David, in a manger, the first born son of Mary and Joseph, and in this same country there were shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night, and when the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them, they were sore afraid. And the angel said fear not, for behold, I bring good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people, for unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord, and this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly hosts praising God and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. Luke 2:8-14.

Peace on earth to all men.

God must have meant, but do we have that peace? Do we have peace at this Christmas time, the year of our Lord, Dec. 25, 1951? No, with our soldiers in Korea, not by all means. As a nation we do not, but we, as individuals, can have this peace with our God if we want it. We can be like our children at heart at each Christmas time. Upon arising early each Christmas morn the little child, in his eagerness to find what Santa has left him, goes to the place that has been set aside by his parents the night before and with joy and love looks over his possessions with the fondness of his heart, and with warm Christmas emotions he excitedly shows in his face the thankfulness of exultation of their souls.

We, as parents, love to see our children happy at this time of the year for it makes our hearts glad to see this radiance on their faces. We decorate our homes and have a tree all lighted up with different colored lights with holly and mistletoe. We buy gifts and presents for our friends and exchange gifts as never before at any other time of the year. We sing carols and hold Christmas pageants and cantatas, and at this time of the year we rededicate and worship our Christ with faith and revelation bestowed upon us by our Heavenly

Father. How meaningless Christmas could be if we should think of it only as a time to wonder merely, to express astonishment and think of it only as what we could make commercially.

Years ago we would not think of Christmas time until the month of December for commercial purposes. Now to keep up with the change of times and the trend of business, commercially speaking, we start displaying Christmas goods and talking sales way before Thanksgiving and by the time Christmas is here the spirit has begun to wane for no other purpose but our selfishness and greediness of trying to get ahead of our fellow man.

Worship is costly as one minister has said. Worship involves a yearning within our hearts to become of the same spirit as the one adored.

Faith in Christ, such as the shepherds demonstrated, is not a philosophy spoken by men but is rather a revelation bestowed by our Heavenly Father to those who come to Him and humble themselves to worship Him in spirit and in truth.

Christmas means being conscious of the Spirit of Christ and practicing His love, but to practice it, we must be obedient to His demands every day in the year, and the more we strive to complete the mind of our God after the pattern of Jesus, the more we will understand the true Spirit of Christmas.

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Basketball Season Gets Underway

The Harrington Lions will play 14 games this basketball season. Their first game will be January 8, and their season will close approximately March 1. Coach Hart has a squad of 20 boys, the following being veterans: P. Callaway, M. Willey, R. Wilson, G. Brown, P. McAllister, D. Pitlick, A. Hickman, E. Brown, W. Brown, D. Jester. All games will be played on Tuesday and Friday nights. In the next edition there will be a complete schedule of all the games. Coach says he has fairly good prospects for such a young team.

The Harrington Lionesses will encounter 10 games this season with eight veterans from last year's team. Mrs. Miller says that prospects are fairly good. The first game will be January 8. The squad of 13 girls are as follows: Seniors—S. Hudson, A. Toppin; Juniors—J. Sapp, E. Downing, B. Smith, M. Lord, I. Welch, P. Holloway; Sophomores—J. Land, er; Freshmen—J. Brown, L. Wilson, E. Walls, R. Clendaniel. First-team line up and schedule will be published as soon as available.

Faculty Glimpses

A. A. Feagan
 Born in Columbus, N. C., Mr. Feagan was educated in the public schools there, and then became a student at the University of North Carolina. He came to Harrington in 1929 as teacher of 7th and 8th grade mathematics. In 1940, he advanced to high school mathematics and the principalship of the school. He used to enjoy hiking with his brother, and also likes to watch football games. His hobbies are reading and gardening. Mr. Feagan says he likes the town of Harrington, and gets a great deal of pleasure in watching the younger generation grow into successful and useful citizens.

Christmas Program

The Christmas program was presented in the high school auditorium Friday evening.

A procession, "Adeste Fidelis," opened the program. This was followed by the scripture, Luke 2:1-20, read by the Rev. Robert A. VanCleaf and the invocation was offered by the Rev. George Whetstone.

The Glee Club sang "Dona Nobis Pacem," "The First Christmas Morn," and "The Song of the Angels." A group of boys and girls sang two selections followed by two more numbers from the glee club. After the play, "The Perambulating Pie," was presented, the audience joined in singing "Away in the Manger."

Included in the cast of the play were: Miss Snowden, Betty Louise Layton; Flo, Carole Ann Tharp; Betty, Mary Smith; Frank, Bobby Larimore; Mrs. Elizabeth Wells, Pauline Welch; Silas Benton, Ralph Carpenter; Martha Hagerty, Joyce Gruwell; Jimmy Martin, Richard Brown; Sam, Russell McCready.

Selections by the Glee Club and Children's Choir included "Silent Night" and "Cantique de Noel" with Ann Toppin as the soloist in this last number.

"Good Night! and Christmas Prayer" by the girls of the Glee Club were followed by the benediction which was pronounced by Rev. Grier Baker.

Climaxing the program the Glee Club girls, with candles lighted, marched out to the strains of "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear."

An organ-piano postlude ended the impressive service.

Senior Personality

Ann Toppin
 Ann, born in Milford, later lived in Rehoboth until she came here the later half of the second grade. She is vice-president of the senior class and president of The Girls' Sport Club.

She rates science and book-keeping as her favorite subjects. Swimming and basketball, her favorite sports, are her hobbies. Besides being sport minded Ann enjoys singing in choir and glee club, taking part in plays and serving as co-chairman of the Youth Center. Ann says her ambition is to become a nurse and to be graduated from Jefferson Hospital in Philadelphia. Sweaters and skirts for girls and sport clothes for boys is her idea of the well dressed teenager, and this young lady prefers blues and reds. She dislikes over-dressed girls, and candy.

Christmas

Yes, another Christmas and how shall we approach it, the same as former years, with the questions of what shall we do, what shall we give, where shall we go, and what shall we receive?

While adults as well as youngsters are enjoying the tale of Santa Claus, with them Christmas is not Christ's birthday, in which we give our gifts through others to him, or thanks for what we have received. It is just another festival, with its decorations and beauties.

If the people that plead with us not to deprive our children of the custom of Santa Claus, would be concerned over the children that are deprived of any knowledge of Christ, and furnish helpful information about why there was a Babe born, and what it has meant to the world through the centuries, our communities would be a better place to live.

Christmas is love for God, so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. John 3:16.

It is not enough to celebrate Christmas, we must consecrate it. Let us bring Christ into our hearts by bringing Him in our homes, by constantly reminding our children that Christmas is for Christ, and how God clothed in human flesh coming to live among us, to lift us out of ourselves into Himself.

How can we expect the children to understand the sincerity of singing "Joy to the World the Lord is Come, Let earth receive her King," when we are busy dramatizing a great glamorous character, as up on the house top click, click, click, down through the chimney with good St. Nick.

How can we say we are getting ready for Christmas, without considering the needs and desires of the motherless children, widows, sick and unfortunate persons around and about us. Let us at this time make alive the tremendous figure of Jesus Christ.

O Holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us we pray, cast out our sin, and enter in. Be born in us today! We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Immanuel.

Thaddeus Hackett, Minister Metropolitan Methodist Church

England Once Forbade Christmas Observance

Did you know that the observance of Christmas was once forbidden in England—the home of the Yule Log, the Carol-singer and the wassailers?

During the Reformation many believed the undue jollity of Christmas day was sacrilegious. Parliament, on December 24, 1552, ordered that "no observance shall be held of the five and twentieth day of December, commonly called Christmas day; nor any solemnity used or exercised in churches upon that day in respect thereof."

This edict proved to be very unpopular with the masses of the people. It was not until many years later, however, that Christmas was once again regarded as a holiday.

Trinity Methodist Church Notes

We wish for you all the best Christmas ever; and pray that the good Lord may fill your lives with those things which He alone can give. Whatever your condition may be seek to squeeze-out some little comfort; and take time out to give Him thanks. Never lend yourself to any effort that would try to have Christmas, leaving Christ out of it.

9:45 a. m. Sunday School.
 11 a. m. Sunday School Christmas program.
 4 p. m. Christmas musical vespers by the Senior and Junior Choirs.

Thursday Evening: Rehearsal of choir.
 Friday Evening: Regular monthly meeting of the Official Board.
 Next Sunday: Student Recognition Day.
 Monday Evening, Dec. 31, 11 to 12 p. m. Watch Night Service.

Of Local Interest

Mr. and Mrs. William Le Compte and Beverly, of Cambridge, Md., spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Morris.

Mrs. Ernest Homewood and daughter, Jeanne, spent Sunday in Dover.

Miss Emma Richards, of Salisbury, spent the weekend in Harrington.

Mr. and Mrs. William Outten were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Outten's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Collins, of Laurel.

Wayne Horner is improved after being ill.

Maurice Skinner and family have been entertaining Mr. Skinner's brother, Milton, who has recently returned from Korea.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Peck Jr. and son are spending the holidays in North Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Fowler and daughter, of Marlton, N. J., visited his aunt, Mrs. L. H. Rogers, and grandmother, Mrs. C. R. Fowler, Sunday.

Mrs. H. C. Austin attended the funeral of her aunt in Cambridge, Md., Tuesday.

Mrs. L. H. Rogers was in Philadelphia Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Richardson attended Ladies Night at Temple Lodge of Milford, Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenly Jr. and sons, David and Fred III, and Mrs. Blanche Cahall spent the weekend in Philadelphia. Enroute they were caught in two traffic jams due to the icy weather.

Mrs. Emil Adams and daughter

ter and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hopkins, and Miss Auth Stevenson, of Frederica, spent Thursday with Mrs. Catherine Townsend, at Audubon, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Fulton Downing were guests at a Christmas dinner party Saturday evening of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Harrison, of Milford.

Mrs. Richard Bullock is improving at her home following an operation in the University of Pennsylvania Hospital, Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. Stetson Beal and daughter, of Fairfield, Me., are spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. William McCabe.

Mrs. O. C. Passmore spent a part of last week with her daughter, Mrs. Raymond Wilson, of Wilmington.

Mrs. Hilda Meredith spent Monday in Wilmington.

Lt. Lyman Price, of MacDill Air Base, Tampa, Fla., is home on leave visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Price.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Harry Quillen and daughter, Miss Grace Wanda, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ford in Philadelphia.

Miss Polly Townsend is now residing with her mother in Snow Hill, Md.

Mrs. Herbert VonGoerres and family attended the funeral of a nephew at Elkton, Md., Saturday.

Mrs. Frank O'Neal Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. T. Brinton Holloway and daughter, Pat, spent Tuesday in Wilmington.

Mrs. Blanche McKnatt is very ill in the Memorial Hospital, Wilmington.

E. S. Richards, Sr. remains on the sick list.

Mrs. Marian McGlenn, of Atlantic City, N. J.; John Callaway, of Pt. Jefferson, L. I., and Alfred Massey, of Bridgeville, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Massey Friday and Saturday.

Fred VonGoerres, of Philadelphia, has been spending a few days with the Herbert VonGoerres family.

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Letter to the Editor Memorandum to the Staff Subject: Death of Government Workers 1. It has been brought to our attention that many employees are dying and refusing to fall over after they are dead. THIS MUST STOP. 2. On or after December 15, any employee found sitting up after he has died will be dropped from the payroll at once (i. e. within 90 days). 3. Where it can be proven that he is being supported by a bench or property marked "U. S. GOVERNMENT" an additional 90 days will be granted. The following procedure will be strictly followed:

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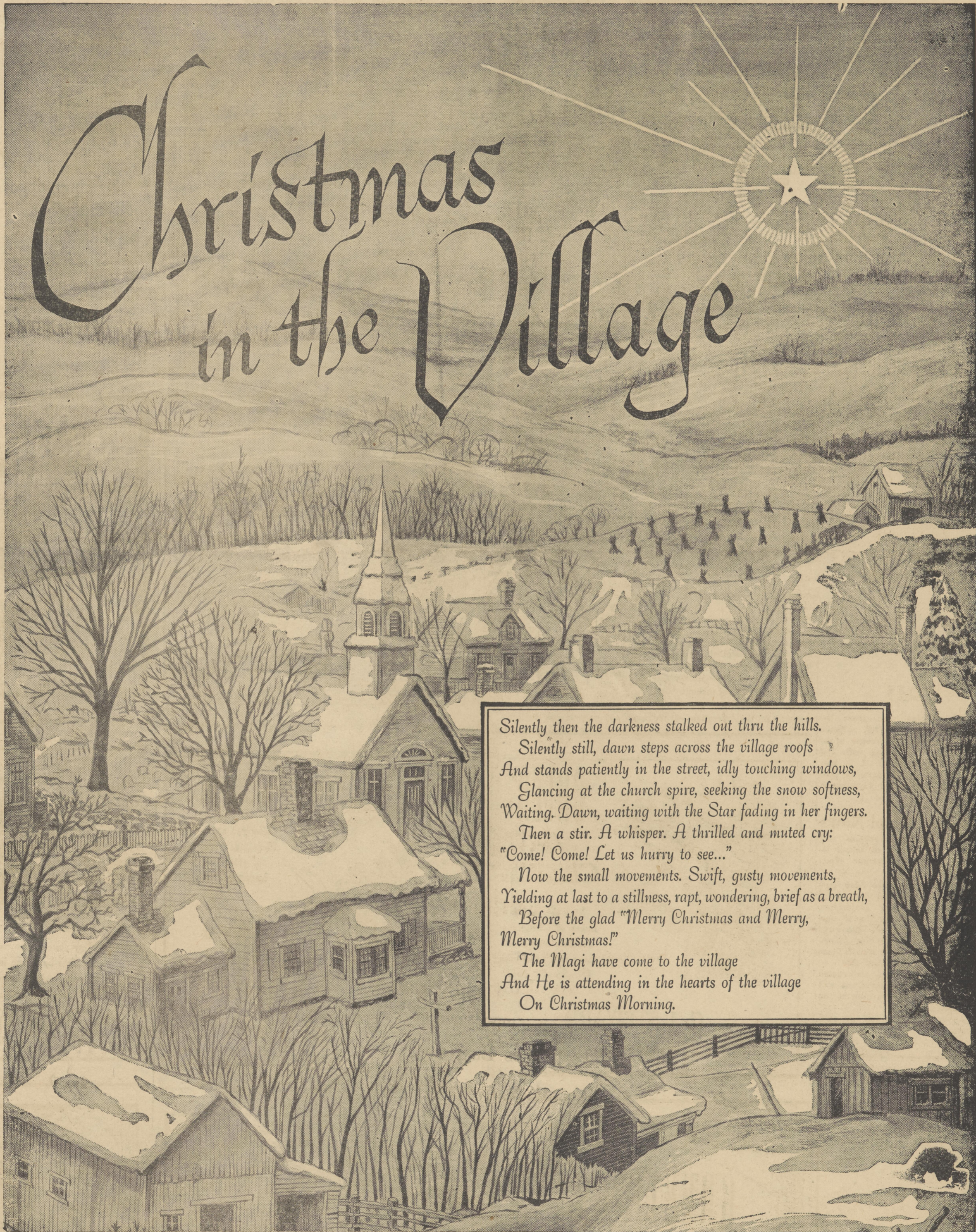
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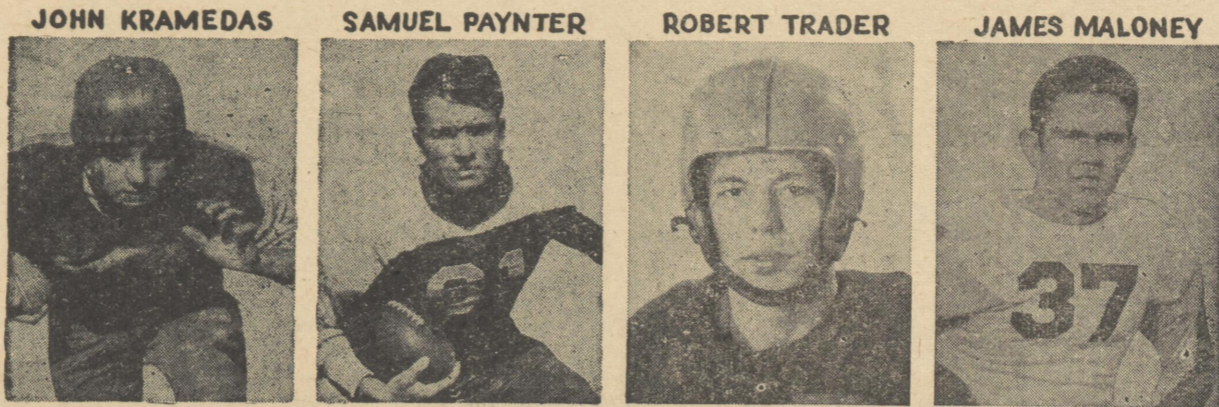
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Christmas in the Village

Silently then the darkness stalked out thru the hills.
Silently still, dawn steps across the village roofs
And stands patiently in the street, idly touching windows,
Glancing at the church spire, seeking the snow softness,
Waiting. Dawn, waiting with the Star fading in her fingers.
Then a stir. A whisper. A thrilled and muted cry:
"Come! Come! Let us hurry to see..."
Now the small movements. Swift, gusty movements,
Yielding at last to a stillness, rapt, wondering, brief as a breath,
Before the glad "Merry Christmas and Merry,
Merry Christmas!"
The Magi have come to the village
And He is attending in the hearts of the village
On Christmas Morning.

DELAWARE WEEKLY PRESS ALL-STAR TEAM



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FIRST ALL-STAR TEAM

Backfield—John Kramedas, Rehoboth Beach	Senior	18	5-10	180
Backfield—Samuel Paynter, Lewes	Junior	18	5-8	160
Backfield—Robert Trader, Delmar	Senior	18	5-11	175
Backfield—James Maloney, Dover	Senior	18	5-10	162
End—Robert Venables, Laurel	Senior	18	6-0	164
Tackle—Dale Fried, Rehoboth Beach	Senior	17	6-0	165
Guard—Lee McKenzie, Seaford	Senior	17	5-9	195
Center—Ward Carson, Dover	Senior	17	5-10	143
Guard—Frederick Mitchell, Milton	Senior	18	5-9½	185
Tackle—George Coyle, Smyrna	Senior	17	6-0	181
End—Carlton Bailey, Lewes	Junior	18	6-1	175

heating plant.
The boys ball team has won one game and lost one game. The junior varsity has won none and lost one. The girls basketball team has won one and lost none. There will be no home games until January 18 when the 'Green Devils' meet Caesar Rodney on the felton court.
Coach Kerns directs the sports program and coaches the boys varsity team. The girls team is under the direction of Miss Margaret Taylor and the junior varsity is coached by John Bunnell.
The first, second and third grades will present a Christmas program today. The second grade will give a one act play called "Rudolph The Red Nosed Reindeer." The third grade will present "Santa's Toy Shop." These plays are creative work done in regular class activities. They will entertain the elementary grades and parents. The sixth grade is going to give a play entitled, "Davy's Gift to the Christ Child," this afternoon at 12:30, all parents and friends are invited.

Sherwin Has Held Party For Employees Since 1935

Some time early this afternoon, the employes of George Sherwin, Inc., will be entertained at their annual Christmas party. In the absence of Santa Claus, who prefers to portray his role during the nocturnal hours, George Sherwin will pass out the presents around the Christmas tree on the second floor of the Commerce Street branch of the firm.
Mr. Sherwin has been giving a Yuletide party for his employes every year since he started in business here in 1935. He has been ably assisted by his lieutenants, many of whom have been with him all the while in his business of manufacturing sport shirts and other garments. These assistants are as follows:
Guido diMarzio, Lawrence Graham, Maxie Saft, Kenny Hammond, Milton Bland, and Emil Gerardi. Gerardi is now batting 1000 after being injured in an automobile accident a while back.
There are between 225 and 250 employes in the Sherwin plants.

Missing this year from the Christmas party is Mrs. Solomon Martin, former bookkeeper of the firm. She is residing with her husband in Vipeland, N. J. Mrs. Martin's place was taken by Mrs. Erma Woodworth, of Farmington.

Felton School News

The Christmas vacation will begin at the close of school today; classes will resume Wed., Jan. 2.
New uniforms have been purchased for the band director of the school, drum majorettes, drum major and for the 12 new members of the band. The girls' basketball team, the boys basketball team and cheer leaders have received new uniforms also.
Risers have been constructed for the band and chorus and will be used for the first time at the Christmas concert.
Automatic valves for the zone heating system have been received from Minneapolis from the

Honeywell Regulator Company and it is hoped that this equipment can be installed during the holiday period. These controls should help in maintaining uniform heating throughout the school buildings and greater efficiency in the operation of the

Merry Christmas

To all of our friends—go our wishes for a happy Yuletide season and a wonderful New Year. And for your patronage and good will during the past year we render our thanks.

Anderson's Barber Shop
Harrington, Del.

Merry Christmas

KENT SHOE STORE AND DRYGOODS STORE
Milford, Del.

CHEER for Christmas

May the joyful hours of Christmas overflow with good cheer and happiness for all our friends

G. J. STEWARD
FELTON, DEL.

THE JOYS of CHRISTMAS

May you enjoy this Christmas with loads of good cheer and happy friendships.

HARRINGTON LUMBER & SUPPLY CO.
Harrington, Del.

Season's Greetings

May your enjoyment of the Holidays be young in spirit and gay in heart. And may you have A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.

Adams Feed Company
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Merry Christmas

One pleasure makes the Yuletide extra wonderful...and that is wishing our friends a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Marshall's Restaurant
Harrington, Del.

GREETINGS FOR CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR

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THE Season's Greetings

H. M. Black
Harrington, Del.

Greetings

We sincerely hope that this Christmas will hold for you all that is good and that your enjoyment will last through a New Year of good health and success.

Cain's Restaurant and Novelty Shop
Felton, Del.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus

It was only September, and 1897's Christmas was three months in the future. But Virginia O'Hanlon's concern was with an important problem that, to her, knew no season. That was why she wrote her letter to the New York Sun.

The answer to Virginia's question, written in a moment of deep spiritual insight by Francis B. Church, stands even today as a testament expressing two thousand years of faith. It has been reprinted here because it always will deserve to be read again.

"Yes, indeed!

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age—they do not believe except what they see—they think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds.

"All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little.

"In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus.

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

"Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies!

"You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus—the most real things in the world are those neither children nor men can see.

"Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there—nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders that are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, or even the united strength of all the strongest men, that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside the curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond.

"Is it all real?—ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

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

When Was Jesus Born?

The question is not an easy one to answer. Many scholars throughout the world have tried to answer this question. Very few of them agree as to the exact year of the first Christmas.

The Traditional Date
Western Christianity did not begin reckoning history from the year of the birth of Jesus until some time in the sixth century. It was Dionysius Exiguus who calculated the birth of Jesus as having occurred in the Year of Rome (Anno Urbis Condita) 753, and started our custom of dating all events from that year. Most scholars are now convinced that the calculations of Dionysius Exiguus were at least four years in error.

Gospel Writers
Some 70 years of the Christian era had passed before Mark wrote the book which bears his name. Ten more years slipped away be-

fore Matthew and Luke were moved by the desire to make permanent records of the life of the Master. Mark's gospel, which was so useful to them when they wrote of the baptism, ministry and death of Jesus, was barren of information concerning his birth. Consequently Matthew and Luke, when they wrote of the birth of Jesus, depended upon the stories which had come to them from intimate members of the Holy Family. This is the problem which arises when one tries to determine the year of the birth of Jesus.

Four Gospel Hints
There are four hints in the gospels which deal with the time of Jesus' birth: (1) He was born before the death of Herod the Great (Matt. 2:1; Luke 1:5). (2) He was "about 30 years of age" at the time of his baptism in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar (Luke 3:1-3, 23). (3) His birth was during a census conducted by Herod in accordance with a decree of Augustus Caesar, at a time when Quirinus was in authority in Syria (Luke 2:1, 2). (4) Wise men, seeing "his star" in the East, came to visit Jesus (Matt. 2:1, 2).

Herod's Death
The year of Herod's death is not recorded. We are told in the writings of the historian Josephus

(Antiquities XVII, viii, 1) that at the time of his death Herod had resigned as king, by the declaration of the Romans, for 37 years. This Roman decree was made in the 184th Olympiad (middle of B. C. 44 to middle of B. C. 40) and in the consulship of Domitius Calvinus and Asinius Pollio (B. C. 40). The decree had its origin in the first half of B. C. 40. If we add 37 years to B. C. 40 we come to the year B. C. 3. Assuming the record of Josephus to be correct, we get a fairly accurate statement of the year of Herod's death.

The problem arises when we try to determine how long an interval passed between the birth of Jesus and the death of Herod. According to Matthew (2:16) Herod ordered all the children of Bethlehem and the surrounding country, "from two years old and under," to be slain. Many writers state that the interval might easily be two or even three years. It is a matter of opinion.

Reign of Tiberius
The Roman emperor Tiberius came to the throne on August 19, in the year which corresponds to A. D. 14. Luke takes consideration the fact that Tiberius had reigned with Augustus for three years before the beginning of his reign as the sole power. The fifteenth year of the reign

of Tiberius was, therefore, the year A. D. 26, and this year was also the first year of the governorship of Pontius Pilate over Judaea. If in this same year Jesus was "about 30 years of age," (as Luke tells us) then we know that Jesus was born "about" B. C. 4.

The Census
The birth of Jesus happened during a census, which was made in accord with a decree of Augustus, at a time when Quirinus was in authority in Syria (Luke 2:1, 2). It has been only recently that historians, working in Egypt, have made discoveries which correct certain doubts as to the probability of a census during the reign of Herod. Workmen have recently uncovered records of a Roman system of enrollments. The system is based on a 14 year cycle. The earliest document found belongs to the census of A. D. 20. An earlier census would be that of B. C. 8, but actually taken in B. C. 7 in order to get the complete facts for B. C. 8. This coincides with the consensus of A. D. 6 mentioned by Josephus, at which time Quirinus was governor of Syria at the time of the census of B. C. 8, although Luke (2:1, 2) names Quirinus as the governor. Many attempts have been

made to explain this problem. Fiske and Easton, in their book, "The Real Jesus" write as follows: "The most probable date of the birth of Jesus is 7-6 B. C. At the time Herod was in difficulties with Augustus so making possible in Palestine the census mentioned in Luke 2:1, 2. The name of the governor of Syria was Saturnius, not Quirinus, and there is reason to think that Luke wrote the first form."

Another writer suggests that perhaps Luke made a mistake and wrote the name of the governor in A. D. 6 instead of B. C. 6.

A better explanation is that Quirinus was holding a military campaign in Syria during the governorship of Saturnius and, because of Herod's unwillingness to hold a census, came down into Judea and forced Herod to make a census of his people. This would set the date of Jesus' birth at B. C. 7-6.

The Star
The problem of the star which the "Magi" followed (Matt. 2:2) to the place where our Lord lay, is a far reaching one. The Star of Bethlehem may have been a conjunction of certain planets. On May 29, September 29, and December 5 of the year B. C. 7, the planets Jupiter and Saturn were in conjunction, and in the

following year (B. C. 6) the planet Mars also entered this conjunction. When this planetary phenomenon recurred in A. D. 1604-5 it was followed, Kepler informs us, by the appearance of a bright star, which shone for about 18 months and then disappeared.


Or the Wise men may have been guided by either an appearance of Halley's Comet which also occurred in the year B. C. 6, or a new star may have appeared in the heavens. About 13 new stars appear each century, but they cannot be calculated.

The Prince of Peace
My opinion is that Jesus was born sometime between the fall of the year B. C. 6 and the spring of B. C. 5. I have no proof except the facts, assumptions, and opinions listed above.

In this season of the Christian year when our affections are turned once again to the town of Bethlehem, and we are thinking of Him whom we call the Prince of Peace, who came "in the fullness of time," let us consecrate ourselves to His kingdom, by the poet's words:

"Ring happy bells across the snow. Oh, sing ye stars that shine; And May I'er enshrine him Within this heart of mine."
Rev. Robert VanCleave

HOLIDAY CHEER



We earnestly hope that your Christmas be aglow with plenty of good cheer and happiness.

And may your New Year be radiant with the pleasures derived from lasting, loyal friendships.

A. POTTER Groceries Harrington, Del.



Greetings

We have come to the end of another year of pleasant associations with those whose confidence and good will we value so highly.

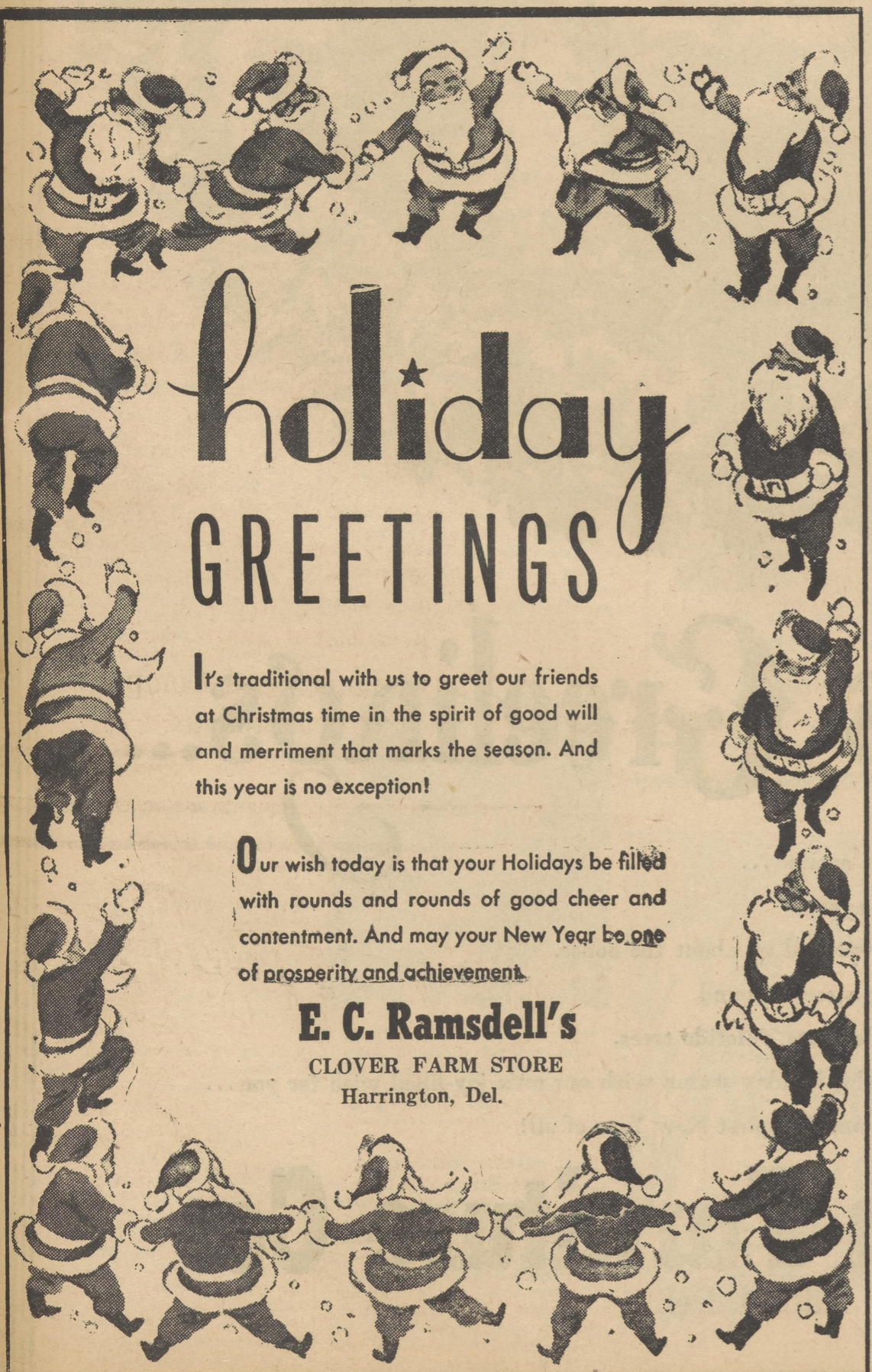
Once more it becomes our pleasure to send our friends and patrons our heart-felt greetings and to wish them a Christmas abundant with good cheer...one that will usher in a New Year of peace, happiness and prosperity.

Kent & Sussex Racing Ass'n

Harrington, Del.

Cooking Rice
Perhaps the American housewife should take a quick and simple rice cooking lesson from the Chinese, or the Japanese, or from any of the peoples of the world who cook rice daily as their basic food. The orientals waste neither time, effort, nutrition nor flavor in their quick and easy method of cooking rice. Their rice is perfect every time—white, fluffy, individual grains, with all of the delicious, delicate flavor and rich, wholesome nutrition of the original white rice grains.

Safeguard Mudguards
Both the upper and under surfaces of automobile mudguards should be inspected frequently for the presence of rust. These portions of the car are submitted to strenuous wear. The tires are constantly splashing water and hurling dust and small stones at them. Keeping the mudguards painted prevents rust from gaining a foothold there, keeps the appearance up and maintains the resale value.



holiday GREETINGS

It's traditional with us to greet our friends at Christmas time in the spirit of good will and merriment that marks the season. And this year is no exception!

Our wish today is that your Holidays be filled with rounds and rounds of good cheer and contentment. And may your New Year be one of prosperity and achievement.

E. C. Ramsdell's CLOVER FARM STORE
Harrington, Del.

Ellendale Charcoal Pits



Two charcoal pits on farm of Andrew Harmon near Ellendale. The one in the foreground is active. Notice the smoke. The one in the background has yet to be fired.

Charcoal Burning Is A Thing of The Past In Sussex County---Almost

The halcyon days of the manufacture of charcoal in Sussex County are no more. Time was when it contributed heavily to the economy of the county. One manufacturer, or burner, Rodney Wilson, of Ellendale, formerly shipped an average of 80 cars annually, with a top of 140 cars. Wilson recalls the other burners in Sussex County. There were Harry Anderson and George Burton, of Fairmount; Bob and Howard Burton, of Redden; Forrest Burton, of Milton; Jim Webb, of Seaford; Roy Smith, of Greenwood, and Horace Webb, of Ellendale.

Wilson believes the industry fell away to almost nothing because the younger generation found little incentive to learn the trade when more lucrative and cleaner work was available. The Ellendale resident, who burned his last charcoal early this year, said he had an apple out of that basket.

"Nine of my employes went to war," he explained. "Four were killed and the five who returned found better work."

Only One Burner Now
The prospect of charcoal with which to broil Christmas steaks grows dim. As far as this writer could ascertain, Cornell Thompson, of Ellendale, is the only one in this vicinity interested in the business. He burns charcoal in a small way. Southeast of Ellendale, as this was written, he had two pits on the farm of Andrew Harmon, the watcher.

In the light of the dying winter sun, Harmon explained that one smoking pit was about burned out and that the charcoal would soon be ready to take out. He was stacking the wood in the other pit, he added, and would soon start the fire.

Wilson, talking rapidly, told of the early days of the charcoal industry in Sussex County. "The father of the business in this county was Dan Townsend who came here from New Jersey and settled at Fairmount, near Harbeson, in the days of Grover Cleveland," he said. "I started it after World War I, getting the idea from my father-in-law, Peter Noah King, a burner of Redden." The depression hit his customers and forced him out of business, but he started up again in 1933 and continued until early 1951. He sold the finished product to sheet-metal works and to coal yards in the cities. Among the customers of the latter establishments were restaurants which used the charcoal to broil steaks.

Spruce Pine For Charcoal

Short-leaf, or spruce pine is the ideal wood for charcoal because it has a thick bark, Wilson said. "You buy a piece of timber this year, cut it, rack it into cords, and let it season a year before you burn it. You can burn all thicknesses but the best is that which is six inches to 12 inches in diameter at the stump."

Burning charcoal is a slow and tedious process, and not one which appeals to the "hot-rods" of today. At the start, timbers are piled four feet high in the shape of a tit-tat-toe diagram. A post is set in the ground in the outer angles at each corner. A tier of timber is placed on end around this figure, slanting inward. Another tier is placed on top of the first tier. Now, the two tiers are eight feet high and slant inward until the tips almost touch. The whole is covered with chat and then four inches of dirt.

The job now resembles a storage mound for winter vegetables. A wooden chimney is put through the top. At the base of the mound, airholes are made six feet apart to permit the escape of gases during burning. Fire is then put down the chimney into the center of the mound. After it has burned 36 hours, a row of portholes, 15 inches apart, are made three feet from the bottom. At five days, an additional hole is punched between these holes.

The pit, or mound, is tended three times a day. During the first seven days, Harmon said, chips had to be put down the chimney three times daily. The chimney was then covered with sticks.

When there is a high wind, say, from the north, the portholes on this side are covered with chips to enable the kiln to burn evenly.

12 Days to Make Charcoal
Wilson says it takes 12 days to make charcoal and that the pits usually contain six cords of wood which burns to 250 bushels of charcoal. He declares the fire starts in the middle and when it comes to the outside and the clay, or dirt, is baked, it is finished.

Then the pit is keeled. You take a shovel and turn the clay and underlying chats and make it airtight again. After two or three days, the top tier of charcoal is taken off as it is the first made. The pit is made airtight again. Then it sets two days and the bottom tier is taken off. The

charcoal stays in the woods 24 hours to eliminate danger of fire before being hauled to the shed.

Wilson says that to burn charcoal in a big way, one should have a five-man team, namely:

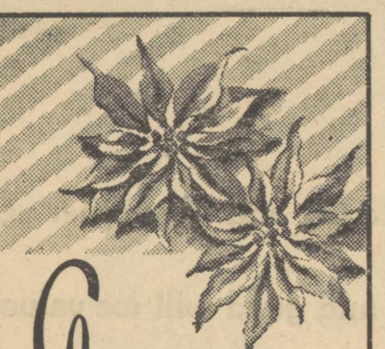
1. Runner—he puts in the fire and tends to it.
2. Setter—he sets the wood on end around the tit-tat-toe diagram.
3. Blacker—he puts the dirt and chat on the kiln.
4. Drawer—he takes out the charcoal.
5. Watcher—watches charcoal for 24 hours after it has been drawn.



Holiday GREETINGS

and best wishes for the New Year

MADALYN'S BEAUTY SHOPPE Harrington, Del.



Greetings

It is said that good things come in threes; then accept our wishes for Good Health, Good Luck and Good Cheer for Christmas and the coming New Year.

Chamberlin Pharmacy

Harrington, Del.



Granville Powells, Roxana, Make Christmas Wreaths

The Christmas season for many persons living in Gotham and vicinity is brightened by Mr. and Mrs. Granville Powell, of Roxana, who manufacture, with the aid of assistants, some 3000 wreaths annually for the metropolitan area.

They begin work on Christmas greenery around Thanksgiving and finish their operations around Dec. 20, said Powell, who also farms.

Their wreaths are made mostly of pine, though they also make cedar, and holly wreaths. They also make door sprays of spruce pine and holly.

The manufacture of Christmas greenery helps the economic situation of Sussex County and adjoining Maryland counties. For example, the Powells buy pine branches by the truckload from Laurel. The hoops are made of scraps from a basket factory. Artificial berries are purchased at Dagsboro. Boxes come from Pittsville, Md. Four or five persons secure part-time employment in making the wreaths.



Mrs. Powell Begins to Make a Cedar Wreath

Handy Andy

Waffle toast is delicious to serve with creamed chicken, tuna, or salmon. To make waffle toast, remove crusts from slices of bread, margarine the slices light on both sides, and toast in a waffle iron.

Cooking Rice

Perhaps the American housewife should take a quick and simple rice cooking lesson from the Chinese, or the Japanese, or from any of the peoples of the world who cook rice daily as their basic food. The orientals waste neither time, effort, nutrition nor flavor in their quick and easy method of cooking rice. Their rice is perfect every time—white, fluffy, individual grains, with all of the delicious, delicate flavor and rich, wholesome nutrition of the original white rice grains.

Delayed Action

How do astronomers know what is happening in the sky if it takes so long for the light of the stars to reach us? They do not know what is happening in the universe at the present time, but only what was happening when the light started on its journey to us. As telescopes become more powerful and reach out in greater depths of space, we get back farther and farther in time. The most distant objects which can be observed with the 200-inch Hale telescope at Mt. Palomar are so far away that their light (with a speed of 186,000 miles per second) takes about a billion years to reach the Earth.

Incense Sense

The Chinese have managed to classify incense into six basic types: Tranquil, Recluse, Luxurious, Beautiful, Refined and Noble, each of which is believed to evoke different emotions, the Hindu Incense Mfg. Co. reports.

Way Back When

Earliest records of the circus as a form of public entertainment go back to the Roman occupation of Britain. It describes an ancient, hand-illuminated Anglo-Saxon manuscript showing "an audience in an amphitheatre, diverted by a musician, a dancer, and a trained bear."

Portable Pin Cushion

During vacation time a wise traveler becomes Scotch about packing and luggage space. To conserve valuable room in midday's suitcase, stick needles, pins, and pen points into the thick torn stub end of an empty matchbook. Saves space prevents accidents.



AND ALL GOOD WISHES FOR A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON

Kathryn's Beauty Shop

Harrington, Del.



Season's Greetings...

It's Christmas! And there's fun all around...

we see it in the merry gleam in people's eyes ...in the festive air of mistletoe and holly pinned up about the house.

We see it, too, in the gay gift wrappings strewn 'round and in the tinsel and shining lights that decorate Yuletide trees.

And we express the fun and good will of this holiday season with our own joy-filled wish for you... that this be truly the Merriest Christmas and Happiest New Year of all!

Feldman Furniture Co.

Milford, Del.

JOY at Christmas

It's Christmas again! May it be a merry one for you and yours...and may the warm spirit of the holiday season touch each day of the coming year.



The First National Bank

Harrington, Del.



**FOR THEM
THERE HAD
BEEN NO
ROOM**

To the casual observer, it is just another typical night in Bethlehem, sleepy town of many generations. Excepting, of course, that the population is more than double, for all the descendants of David have come to register as ordered by Herod. For many, there is no room.

And yet, there is more about this night! And there are some whose faith and wisdom give them eyes to see. Near the hour of midnight, a darkened sky suddenly shimmers with a light of ethereal beauty, and angels appear to sing a great psalm:

"Glory in the highest,
And on earth, peace to men of good will."

A new star fires itself to brilliance near the edge of town, bathing in its light the stable where a Galilean carpenter named Joseph has taken refuge with his bride, a queenly young girl named Mary. For them, there had been no room.

The star rests above the humble shelter, sending down golden rays that illuminate the area in a strange, unearthly manner.

In the distance appear a group of Magi, wise men of Persia. They have followed the now resting star and are heavily laden with gifts of gold—presents for a newborn king. Along the roads hear the shouts of the citizens, led by angels, who come to adore.

There in the stable, wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in a manger, the Christ-child awaits.

**Santa Claus is on his way
To greet us all on Christmas Day.
Dolls and drums (all sorts of toys)
For wishful little girls and boys.**



**Christmas
Quotes**

"Christmas is the time you decide to pay your doctor something on account. You know you will need him the day after."
—Walter Pulitzer.

"What do people mean by sending you a dozen Christmas cards during the festive season, and not deigning to send you three lines by way of a letter the rest of the year?"
—J. Ashby-Sterry.

"At every Christmas party, just as things are beginning to get good, someone shuts his eyes, puts his head back and moans softly: 'Ah, well, this isn't like the good old days. We don't seem to have any good old-fashioned Christmases any more.'
—Robert Benchley.

Christmas: 'Good Time; A Kind, Forgiving Time'

Charles Dickens once referred to Christmas as "a good time; a kind, forgiving, charitable, pleasant time." This is an adequate description of the Christmas spirit. Why not make this an old-fashioned Christmas?

Elaborately planned parties, those great time-takers, should not be a part of the Christmas scene. A homey, hospitable get-together will create an atmosphere in which everyone can relax.

Since Christmas is really "the children's hour," why not give them a greater part in preparing for the day? Children will get more delight from helping prepare and decorate the tree than in seeing only the finished product.

Small Amount of Plant Food Will Keep Needles on Tree

If you have the type of a tree holder that permits the tree trunk to rest in water, you will find that a small amount of plant food dissolved in the water will aid in retaining the needles on the tree, and keep the needles green. If you use a pebble or rock-filled pail to support the tree, cover the pebbles or rock with a plant food solution.

Use one teaspoonful of plant food, powdered form, to each gallon of water in the container, or use one plant food tablet to each gallon.

Poor Sight

Life insurance examinations of 2,000 executives, average age 42½ years, showed that 12.1 per cent of these businessmen suffered from seeing difficulties which they had not bothered to correct with glasses. The only disorders among the examinees which were more numerous than faulty vision were overweight or underweight, abnormal heart condition, and high blood pressure.

United States Top Buyer and Supplier In Tree Industry

The United States is the world's leading source of supply as well as the top buyer in the Christmas tree industry—a better than \$50,000,000 business.

The majority of our Christmas trees come from New England, New York and Pennsylvania, the north Middlewest, and the Northwest Pacific regions. In recent years, New Jersey has annually marketed around 100,000 trees for local use.

Most of the trees for Christmas sales are cut early in the fall and the trees are kept green with plenty of water until shipped to distribution centers.

Some mass producers, however, cut trees early in the new year, and treat them with preservatives and coloring solutions for storage in chilled warehouses.

'Snapdragon' Popular

A game called "snapdragon" was very popular at Christmas time in England more than 200 years ago. To a limited extent it is still played in some parts of England, as well as in America.

The original game called for a quantity of raisins to be deposited in a large bowl or dish. Brandy or some other spirit was then poured over the fruit and ignited. At a given signal, the participants attempted to snatch a raisin from the blazing bowl.



SECRETS . . . This little girl wants something for Christmas, but she's not telling anyone except Santa Claus, who looks like he understands the problem.

Hush-Hush on Paint

In 1581, the English guild of the "painters - steynors" procured a charter from Queen Elizabeth which provided that "No one should use the Art except after seven year's apprenticeship excepting gentlemen exercising the art for recreation or private pleasure." The oaths of all members required them to keep "the secrets of the mystery, and not reveal these same except to apprentices."

CHRISTMAS Wishes

In an ever changing world . . . the sincerity and good feeling of Christmas Wishes remain the same. May you enjoy Good Health and Happiness this Yuletide and throughout the New Year.

Kent County Motor Co.
DOVER, DEL.

"O come, all ye faithful"

Let us glory in God's promise of Joy and Peace on Earth, Good Will to all men. May the many blessings of Christmas be with you throughout this Holiday Season.

Harrington Motor Co.
Harrington, Del.

Season's Greetings

In sincere appreciation of our pleasant relationship through the past year . . . we extend a wish to you, our patrons, for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

The Wonder Bar
Harrington, Del.

Merry Christmas

AND ALL OUR BEST WISHES FOR YOUR HAPPINESS THROUGHOUT THE COMING YEAR.

Rash's Produce Market
U. S. 13 Harrington, Del.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

COMMUNITY ESSO SERVICE CENTER
Harrington, Del.

Greetings

Season's BEST WISHES

Here is sentiment genuinely felt . . . May joy, health and happiness be yours this Christmas and continue throughout the year ahead.

Wilson Bradley
Harrington, Del.

Merry Christmas

To our many friends, whose good will and loyalty have contributed so much to the pleasure of every day business, we send these sincere greetings for happiness this Christmas and prosperity for the coming year.

Community Market
Harrington, Del.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

May your Holiday Season be brightened by friends you care for dearly, and friends who care for you—and may the pleasure of these friendships remain with you all through the coming New Year.

The Chicken Basket
Harrington, Del.

Greetings

To our friends and neighbors we offer our sincere wishes for a very Merry Christmas.

To you, our patrons— we extend our thanks for your friendliness in the past year.

And for all of us we add the hope for a peaceful and bountiful New Year.

Intersection Service Station
Harrington, Del.

Good Wishes

To you whose friendship and patronage we treasure, we wish a Holiday of good health, good cheer and prosperity to last throughout the coming New Year.

People's Market
Harrington, Del.

Season's Greetings

To you, our friends and neighbors—we extend our best wishes for the merriest of Christmases and the happiest of New Years and add the prayer that your homes be blessed with Peace and Good Fortune.

SMITTY'S BARBER SHOP
Harrington, Del.

Merry Christmas

Friendship is one of the outstanding rewards in business, and we are grateful for yours. That's why we take such a great delight in wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Peoples Restaurant
Harrington, Del.

Greetings

Warmer than ever
And Merrier too
Are these sincere wishes
We're sending to you . . .
A Joyous Christmas . . . A Happy New Year.

Warrington Furniture Co.
Harrington, Del.



Come, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant,
Come ye... come ye to Bethlehem

A Promise of A New Day

Feeling that others could write or say better the things which are commonly associated with Christmas, such as Christmas cards, trees, toys, tinsel, and Kriss Kringle, etc., I am herein confining myself with the religious significance of the season we consider Christmas.

In the midst of the good, not so good, and the bad things, we usually connect up with Christmas I should like us to pause for a brief spell to consider something that should also occupy our minds right now. The ancient writer of Proverbs reminds us that "Where there is no vision, the people perish"; and a recent great writer put it "Our deepest tragedy is not the tragedy of failing to realize our dreams, but that of NOT EVEN HAVING THE DREAM."

In Isaiah 9:6 are these words "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulders." This promise of God, made over 2600 years ago, still remains unfulfilled, in its entirety. But this NEW DAY, with a new kingdom and an ideal King, is bound to come; notwithstanding our present set-backs. History has witnessed the fulfillment of part of the promise. As yet we have not seen the kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of our Christ.

Upon reading the 9th chapter of Isaiah we learn something of the conditions complained of, which made a NEW DAY needed. For instance, Israel as a nation, had grown in numbers, but not in joy. The little joy that did exist, was not a healthy joy. "Thou hast MULTIPLIED the nation, and not INCREASED the joy; They joy before thee according to the JOY IN HARVEST, as do men rejoice WHEN THEY DIVIDE THE SPOIL."

Notwithstanding man's slowness to conform, God's promise on a NEW DAY still holds. The first part of the promise deals with the new King who shall reign: "Unto us a child is born." This part of the promise was fulfilled over 2000 years ago, when Jesus made His advent into the world.

Here we have something of His GREATNESS and UNIVERSALITY. The new King, who should and did come in the form of child—BORN! not as a provincial Christ, but a world Saviour. This birth did and still does affect the whole world. All thinking men should be interested in His birth; for it spells joy for the universe. Other children are born to a particular family; their birth affects members and friends of

only one family; at most only a part of the world is concerned; its interest is only family-wide; but His birth produced a fame that is world-wide.

Even though He was to become great; and the world-wide interest of His birth, did you notice that this Christ was to be partly human. Somewhat like the rest of us—he was BORN. His birth was to have enough similarity to other births as to bring Him within our human realm (so that we could better understand Him), as well as to make Him to be able to be touched in all points as we are. Jesus, the new King, was to be more than human; He was also to be great and have world-wide significance; but best of all He was to possess Divinity.

The second part of the promise deals with the divine nature of Jesus: "Unto us a SON is given." Not any particular man's son, but God's Son. This brings God close to us; and it is here we come near to the heart of God. When one's son is given; one gives himself. Today, mothers and fathers who have given their sons and daughters for the service of their country, have virtually given themselves. Do you not understand that right now many mothers, fathers, wives, sweethearts are walking around the camps, on ships, on the soil of other countries than our own? Many of these dear people now know what it meant for God to give His Son (for sins of the world).

Regardless of the age-long question as to what part of Jesus was divine and what part human, we have in the words "Unto us a SON is given" a statement regarding His divinity. Yes, He was human, but He was also God's Son. Here we have royalty and divinity combined. Isaiah, like the rest of us, got baffled because of the lack of words to describe Jesus' Godlikenesses. In trying to speak of the divine quality of His character and His wisdom, the ancient prophet refers to Jesus as "Mighty God; Wonderful Counselor; Everlasting Father," ending with the statement that He was to possess the spirit of Jehovah. So much and more could be said regarding the Ideal King; but let us move on to His Kingdom.

The third part of the promise tells us something about the new Kingdom: "The government shall be upon His shoulders." It is in this we have reason for the Christian's hope and happiness. Alexander, Caesar, Charlemagne, Napoleon, not to mention more modern ones, sought to establish empires by force. They have gone, their names recorded only in history. Jesus sought to establish His Kingdom on the basis of love. He has gone—has He? No! They put Him upon a cross;

and then two men on the road to Emmaus were heard to remark "We thought it was He." They put Him in a tomb, where is He now? Why at the center of the universe; in the hearts of men everywhere. He lives and reigns in peace; sooner than soon, we hope, the implements of war shall be destroyed. Earthly empires crown men; but Christ's Kingdom makes men. His is a kingdom where the rule of God holds sway.

Justice is not enough in this new kingdom. Perfect righteousness is to be one of the standards. Even the animal world is to share in this transformation. The wild beasts are to lose their predatory instincts; and all animate beings are to live in peace and harmony. And yet, we humans have something to do also. Christmas time or any time, we should work, watch and pray until the kingdom of this earth shall become the Kingdoms of our Christ.

Rev. Daniel T. Pritchard



HOLIDAY Cheer

We salute St. Nick...
bringer of gifts and bright
symbol of holiday cheer. May he
make this Christmas a merry one for you...
and have many happy landings
on the rooftops of all our friends.

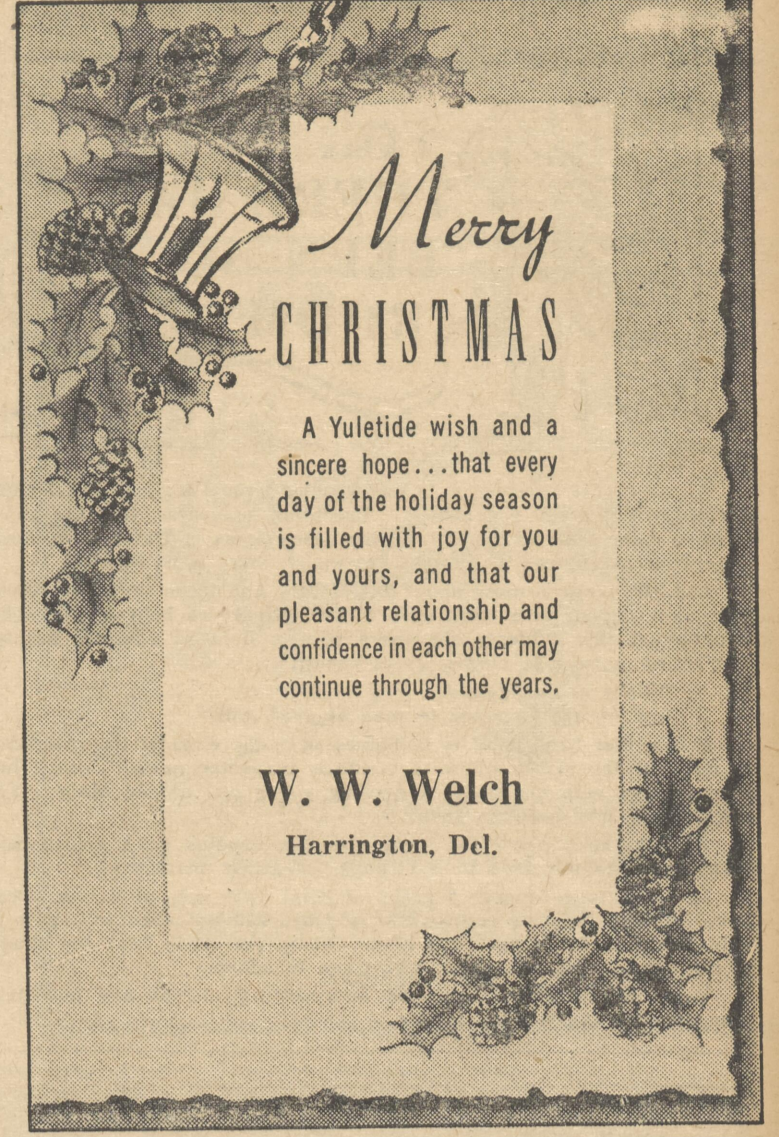
ERNEST E. KILLEN
Harrington, Del.



Greetings

It wishes came in packages,
the biggest bulge in your
Christmas stocking would be our wish for
a New Year of happiness!

EVELYN'S BEAUTY SHOP
Harrington, Del.



Merry CHRISTMAS

A Yuletide wish and a sincere hope... that every day of the holiday season is filled with joy for you and yours, and that our pleasant relationship and confidence in each other may continue through the years.

W. W. Welch
Harrington, Del.



Greetings

May the spirit of happiness and good will that fills this season live in your home and bless your loved ones for the many years to come. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

People's Service Station
Harrington, Del.

The Legends of Christmas

THERE ARE almost as many Christmas legends and superstitions as there have been Christmases. Countless customs from the Old World have been absorbed through the centuries into the celebrations that we participate in today. A few, however, have been passed down from one generation to another, remaining always the same.

The Indians of Canada, for example, believe that the deer kneel in prayer each Christmas Eve. An early missionary probably is responsible for the idea, but it still lingers and wily Indians have always attempted to catch the deer in the act.

In England, it is believed that the bees express veneration for the

nativity by singing in their hives at midnight. The bee hives are always adorned with holly sprigs for the Yuletide season.

In Europe it was custom for a young girl to creep to the family woodpile on Christmas Eve and pull out the first stick that her hand touched. If the stick was a straight one, with no knots, tradition said that she would have a good husband. Farmers in Europe also gave torches to their children and sent them singing into the apple orchards and the fields. The mice, caterpillars and moths were said to flee before the approaching songsters.

In early Germany it was a belief that water turned into wind during the hour before midnight on Christmas Eve.

Records Show Yule Customs Were Old In Fourth Century

The exact age of the Christmas festival is not known. Records show, however, that the holiday was spoken of in the fourth century as a custom of long standing.

Christmas began as Christ's Mass, or the Mass of Christ, sometime during the fourth century. It took that long after the blessed night for the great importance of Christ's birth to be realized by the people. Until this time it had been the custom of the church to celebrate the anniversaries of deaths, rather than births. Christ's birthday was the first to be made an occasion for feasting.

The date for the celebration of the Christ Mass was selected by the church. So many years had elapsed that the actual date of His birth could only be a matter of conjecture.

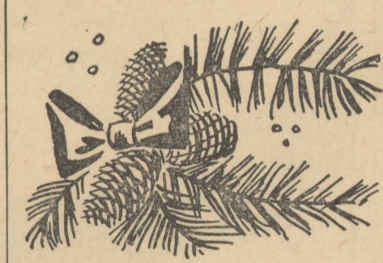
The festival and spirit of Christmas spread through the Christian worlds. Pagan customs, even as they do today, attempted to adapt themselves to the Christmas season.

For many years after the origin of Christ's Mass the church frowned upon the practice of exchanging gifts during the festival season. Later, however, the practice was condoned, in remembrance of the spirit of the Three Kings of the Orient who had followed a shining star to the crib of the new-born Christ, bringing presents with a sense of humility.

Christmas Greens Brighten Home

A few well placed Christmas greens can do much to brighten a house at Christmas time. Properly clipped, the branches will never be missed, and might improve the looks of the tree from which they are cut.

Hemlock, red cedar, juniper, yew, pitch pine, white pine, will make



suitable material for a spray to decorate a mantle, door, or a spray for a newel post.

In pruning, however, keep in mind the natural appearance of the tree from which you clip branches.

St. Nick's Spirit

It is thought that St. Nicholas died about 345 A.D., and for 30 days following his festival day his genial spirit roamed the earth, filling the hearts of mankind with love and generosity. He gave the gifts without thought of return—the true spirit of St. Nicholas and Christmas.



The rosemary shrub, symbol of fidelity and constancy, was once supposed to possess many occult virtues. Hamlet's Ophelia said, "There's rosemary, that's for remembrance." The fact that rosemary blooms at Christmas has introduced it into celebration of this feast.

Rosemary, according to one legend, opened to hide the Virgin Mary and her child from the soldiers of Herod, a legend shared with the juniper and other trees.

Another legend says that, during the flight to Egypt, Mary threw her blue cloak over a bush of rosemary when she lay down to rest. Ever since, in her honor, the flowers have been the heavenly blue of the mantle.

Cooking Rice

Perhaps the American housewife should take a quick and simple rice cooking lesson from the Chinese, or the Japanese, or from any of the peoples of the world who cook rice daily as their basic food. The orientals waste neither time, effort, nutrition nor flavor in their quick and easy method of cooking rice. Their rice is perfect every time—white, fluffy, individual grains, with all of the delicious, delicate flavor and rich, wholesome nutrition of the original white rice grains.

Co-operative Research

The atmospheric corrosion testing station at Kure Beach, North Carolina, started in 1935, and the new underwater testing station at nearby Harbor Island are the largest of their kind in the world and are centers of research into performance of materials under marine conditions. Managed by International Nickel, the Kure Beach station is an ideal example of co-operative research by industry and governmental agencies.



Greetings...

May the Christmas message we extend to all of our patrons... wishing you health, joy and friendship... come true and be with you through all the New Year.

New Atomic Cleaners

Harrington, Del.



BEST Wishes

Our Christmas wish for all is that the Holiday Season may hold the promise of peace and prosperity for the coming year.

ERNEST RAUGHLEY'S
INSURANCE SERVICE
Harrington, Del.



A PRAYER for Christmas

As the curtain begins to draw across the old year, we pray that the spirit of Christmas be kept in the hearts of men not only this one day... but every day. For with Christmas in our hearts nothing in life could ever quench the joy or dim the light of our peace.

STONE'S HOTEL
Harrington, Del.

CHRISTMAS QUESTION CORNER

QUESTIONS

- 1-Who was Kris Kringle?
- 2-What does the name Kris Kringle mean?
- 3-Who wrote the first Christmas Carols? When?
- 4-What superstition had the Scotch about the Christmas candle?
- 5-By what other name is mistletoe known?
- 6-Where did the custom of kissing under the mistletoe begin?
- 7-When were Christmas candles first used?
- 8-How long has the practice of gift giving at Christmas been observed?
- 9-How did the custom of hanging Xmas stockings originate?
- 10-Why are candles used during the Christmas season?

ANSWERS

ANSWERS: 1. Santa Claus' helper. 2. "Little Christ Child." 3. St. Francis of Assisi and his friars—in Italy—during the 13th century. 4. It was considered an omen of bad fortune if the candle went out before midnight. 5. The Golden Bough. 6. England. 7. In the middle ages—at the Jewish Feast of Lights. 8. Since the fourth century. 9. St. Nick once dropped a purse of coins down the chimney of a poor family. It landed in a stocking that had been hung to dry. 10. As symbols of the star of Bethlehem.

Denmark Pays Homage To Hans Anderson—Santa's Best Helper

LAST YEAR a festival in Denmark paid tribute to one of the greatest helpers Santa Claus ever had. He was Hans Christian Anderson, fairy tale writer, and composer of many Christmas stories.

His works have sold more copies than any other book, except the Bible, and have been translated into 35 languages, including Arabic, Hebrew, Chinese, Japanese, and Greenlandic.

Since 1875, the year that he passed away, visitors from all parts of the world have come yearly to the town



of Odense to see the home of the writer of such tales as "The Little Match Girl," and "The Ugly Duckling."

Anderson's fairy tales, released just before Christmas each year, brought him money, fame and the attention of princes, as well as the adoration of children.

Once he received a United States dollar bill, enclosed in a letter written by a young American girl. It read: "Papa says that the dollar is my own, that he does not suppose you are in particular need of money, but I owe you this and a great deal more, he thinks it proper that I should send it to you."

Ancient Church Bells Still Summon Village

A pair of ancient church bells, brought to Frankenmuth, Mich., from Bavaria shortly after Frankenmuth was founded as an Indian mission, has been calling the congregation of St. Lorenz to Christmas eve services for more than a 100 years.

Ninety-five per cent of the residents of the small community are members of the church, earning the village the title of "the most Christian community in the United States."

Frankenmuth has never had a crime of violence, and, as far as residents can remember, no one has been jailed over a period of 25 years. The only visitors to the lockup were transients given a night's lodging.



HAILING NEWBORN KING . . . Carol Singing Time . . .

Slow Appreciation

In 1751, a Swedish scientist named Cronstedt obtained a sample of ore and succeeded in separating from it a metal previously unknown to science. He named the newly-discovered metal "Nickel." Until the beginning of the 20th century—in fact, well into this century—nickel was little appreciated and less sought after. To scientists, it was a metal twice as abundant in the earth's crust as copper, zinc and lead combined.

Christmas Spirit

The anniversary of the birth of Christ has been celebrated by a special church festival since the early centuries of Christianity. The English name is derived from two early English words, "Christes Messe," meaning Christ's Mass. In Germany this feast is called Weidnacht, and the French call it Noel, which means "birthday."

In the fourth and fifth centuries, December 25 came to be the usual date adopted to the Christian holiday. During the Middle Ages, Christmas became the most popular of festivals. Churches are decorated and groups gave dramas that told of the early life of Christ. Throughout the Christian world today people of all faiths observe the Christmas season.

This is especially true of children, the exchange of gifts, a custom that dates from medieval days. In America and England, children look for Santa Claus to come. In the United States a custom has been growing of placing food outdoors for the birds. Evergreen trees growing in front of homes are adorned with electric lights. A large Christmas tree, preferably a fir, is often placed in the center of a community and crowds gather and sing carols about the lighted tree at night. An important part of Christmas is the songs. Luke 2:13, "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." The troop of angels issues forth from the depths of that invisible world surrounds us on every side. A multitude of the Heavenly Host began to make angelic music; strains of sweetest songs filled the air, and the words of that celestial chant, so sweet, so full of comfort and of hope to our human race, was fixed in the shepherds' mind; they make melody in our ear today.

It is a striking and significant fact that the advent of Jesus Christ to our world should be prelude and accompanied by the ministry of angels. When Jesus was born in Bethlehem, the glory of God was most fittingly celebrated; for then was the glory of His grace manifested, and then was the glory that should be rendered Him by all man-

kind. St. Luke 2:10, on that first Christmas morning the angels announced peace on earth and good will among men. We take a glance at our social order today. There does not appear even at a distance, any signs of peace. We gaze upon an ugly world picture. Many are depressed by the bad picture concerning communistic stubbornness, and attempts to exploit the misery of the world left in the path of World War II, and the fear of another great war is being freely expressed. There is confusion and unrest all about us. Why should there be such fear, or that there should be war at all? Nearly 2000 years after the coming of Christ is evidence of the neglect of man to accept the wonderful message sent from Heaven, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy."

Today we see the milling crowds in the department stores read Christmas cards with no significance so far as religion is concerned and see how commercialized this season has been commercialized. We see the need of Christian believers to remind ourselves that Christmas is a festival day celebrating the birth of a Savior, Christ.

The hope of the world, on that momentous night, Heaven opened and its hosts, told earth the greatest news ever to fall upon human ears. The message of the first Christmas has even since stirred the world with joy and gladness. When the time for our Lord's birth drew nigh, the Holy family was not in Bethlehem, but 90 miles north in Nazareth where Joseph and Mary lived. Joseph was a carpenter. A carpenter in Palestine would not have money enough to travel around for pleasure. Caesar Augustus issued a decree that all the people of the Roman Prov-

inces should go to their own homestead to be taxed. Therefore, Joseph and Mary were compelled to go to Bethlehem. Bethlehem was an ancient village. There is where Jacob's wife, Rachel, died and was buried. Here is where David slew the lion, and the bear, while watching his flock of sheep—Bethlehem. Here is where David wrote the 23rd Psalm. This wonderful story of Bethlehem is one of great joy to all people. It is a joy to the rich for Christ came to teach them how to use their wealth so as to lay up for themselves treasures in Heaven where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal. It is a joy to the ignorant because Christ came to make them wise unto salvation. It is a joy to the learned for Christ came to unfold the mysteries that have been kept secret from the foundation of the world.

It is a joy to them that mourn for Christ came to bear their sorrows and to bind up the broken hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captive, and to open the prison to them that are bound. It is joy to those that are guilty and to those who are condemned; for Christ came to take away our transgression. It should be a joy to all mankind. Every choir should sing, "Joy to the world, the Lord is come, let earth receive her King. Let every heart offer him room, and Heaven and nature sing, and Heaven and nature sing. Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns, let men their songs employ."

The Prophet Isaiah said, "To us a Child of Hope is born, to us a son is given, Him shall the tribes of earth obey. Him, all the Hosts of Heaven, His name shall

be the Prince of Peace, for evermore adorned, the wonderful, the counsellor, the great, and mighty Lord."

Jesus, the Holy Child, doeth by His birth declare, that God and man are reconciled, and one in Him we are. A peace on earth He brings which never more shall end. The Lord of Host, the King of Kings declares Himself our friend. Tis He forgives our sins. Tis He, who relieves thy pains. Tis He, who heals thy sickness and makes them young again; He crowns thy life with love when ransomed from the grave. He, who redeemed my soul from hell, with sovereign power to save. He fills the poor with good. He gives the sufferers rest. The Lord hath judgment for the proud, and justice for the oppressed.

Song of the Angels

Thus speak the Angel, and forthwith appeared a shining throng, of Angels praising God, who thus addressed their joyful song.

All glory be to God on High, and on earth be peace, good will henceforth from Heaven to men, began and never cease.

Rev. W. N. Brown

Coal Problems

U. S. mines can produce all the coal Europe must import this year, but whether the coal can be delivered depends upon shipping facilities.

Phone History

The first commercial telephone exchange in the world was opened at New Haven, Jan. 28, 1878. Service between New York and San Francisco was opened Jan. 25, 1915; New York and London, Jan. 7, 1927.

Way Back When

Tea-drinking is described by The BOOK HOUSE FOR CHILDREN as "a social custom that arose during the prosperous days of Ancient China when almost every better-class Chinese home had a tea-house in its garden." There, fragrant tea was served, scalding hot, in dainty thimbles of fine, white china, to elegantly-attired ladies carrying scented fans. Although the expression, "a tea," is still used to describe a social gathering of well-dressed ladies in the afternoon, tea-drinking has become popular with nearly all classes in almost every part of the world. Even its use as a cold drink is celebrated in this country during the week of July 13, which has been designated as National Ice Tea Time.

Hair Highlights

According to Carol Douglas, Home Beauty Consultant, hair highlights are best brought out by thorough shampooing with a mild, detergent-base shampoo. Each hair fiber is covered with tiny scales called the cuticle. When washed clean and lying flat, the cuticle will reflect light, giving hair its highlights.

Greetings

In sincere appreciation of our pleasant relationship through the past year . . . we extend a wish to you, our patrons, for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Taylor Motors
Harrington, Del.

CHRISTMAS

GREETINGS

P & Q CLEANERS
Harrington, Del.

Noel

With the advent of another Holiday Season, we feel a special joy and personal satisfaction in wishing our many friends, Good Health, Happiness, and all the Blessings of a bright New Year.

LAYTON'S SUPERETTE MARKET
Harrington, Del.

May all the Season's beauty
And all its happy cheer
Reach your heart this Christmas
And remain there all the Year
Phillips Men's Shop
Milford, Del.

Season's Greetings

It is our fervent hope that the Christmas bells ring in a season filled with happiness and good will for all our friends.

BRADLEY'S SERVICE
Felton, Delaware

THE Season's WARMEST Wishes

Three cheers for Christmas . . . and the happiness it brings! To all of our friends and patrons we wish a full measure of holiday joys . . . with the warm hope that our mutual association will be pleasanter than ever throughout the coming year.

THE BRIDLE BIT RESTAURANT
Harrington, Del.

Sincere Greetings

We wish you all the good cheer and pleasure that Christmas Day can bring.

And may the New Year bring to you a full measure of prosperity and happiness.

TEXACO Service Center
Jack Pitlick
Harrington, Del.

HELLO

and

MERRY CHRISTMAS

MERRY CHRISTMAS

That warm, friendly feeling in the air is Christmas! May you enjoy all of its pleasures and good cheer throughout the coming New Year.

GRAHAM'S MID-CITY SERVICE STATION
Harrington, Del.

Merry Christmas

We hope your Christmas will be exactly right—with not a worry, not a care and with lots of good cheer. And may your New Year be the same.

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Milford, Del.

Greetings for Christmas

We would like each shining ornament on your Christmas tree to reflect joyous Season's Greetings and our best wishes for a very Happy New Year.

HI-GRADE DAIRY
Harrington, Del.

CONTRIBUTION

Joel Poinsett, U.S. Statesman, Noted for Flower

Although he was a brilliant statesman, and the friend of four American presidents, Joel Roberts Poinsett is famous chiefly because he introduced the Mexican plant known as the "Painted Leaf", of "Mexican Fire Plant" into the United States.

Poinsett, then U.S. ambassador to Mexico, called the plant to the attention of American botanists and grew the plant himself as a hobby at his South Carolina home, after he left Mexico.

The plant grew heavily in American favor—especially popular at Christmas time—and was renamed poinsettia, in honor of the man who brought it to this country.

Contrary to popular impression, the flaming red bracts of the poinsettia are not flowers, but leaves, and it is for these bracts that the plants are grown.

It is possible to have variations of either pink or white varieties, as well as of the more usual red, popular because it carries out the holiday color scheme of rich bright red with a contrast of the dark green of the leaves.

The beautiful poinsettia, almost a "must" as far as Christmas decorating is concerned, is one of the most temperamental of plants.

The poinsettia thrives in its native Mexico, but elsewhere must be handled carefully—perhaps pampered slightly. However, the brilliantly colored flowers it has at Christmas time is reward enough for any efforts needed to make the plant thrive.

Constant warmth is needed by poinsettias. Temperatures should be kept between 70 and 80 degrees during the day and no less than 65 degrees at night. Any sudden change in temperature and drafts will cause the plant to drop its leaves.

Abundant water is also a necessity, but it should be applied but once a day so that the plant may become moderately dry between waterings. This permits needed oxygen to reach the roots.

Try to give the poinsettia the sunniest spot available. It is wise to fertilize it occasionally with a good commercial food tablet.



STABLE AT BETHLEHEM: The shepherds "came with haste and found Mary, and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger."

Holly Superstition: It Will Determine Ruler in Household

HUSBANDS and wives! Attention! There is an old superstition about holly that will interest you. It was a belief of the ancients that the first to bring Christmas holly into the house, either husband or wife, would be the one to rule the household during the ensuing year.

But don't put too much stock in the belief. Like other Christmas legends, the truth might be lost in history.

The Druids were great admirers of the holly plant. They believed that its evergreen leaves attested to the fact that it was never deserted by the sun, and was therefore sacred.

Legends have related how the crown of thorns was plaited from holly. The leaves of the plant were white until the Crucifixion, after which they turned a deep, blood red.

A holly wreath placed on the door is believed enough to frighten away even the boldest of witches.

'Christkindli' Is Swiss Counterpart of Santa

Santa Claus plays a very insignificant part in the Swiss celebration of Christmas, observed mostly on December 24. It is Christkindli, the Christ Child, who makes the rounds of Swiss homes on Christmas Eve.

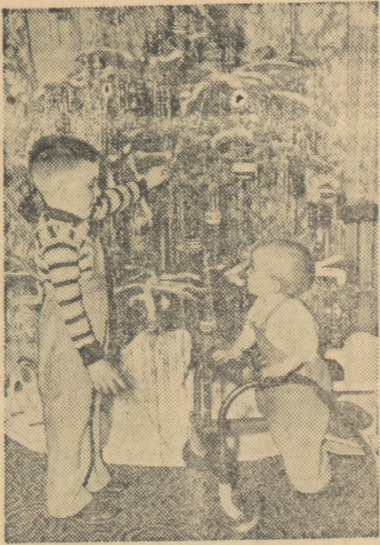
This radiant angel is said to have come from the North, traveling on a fairy-like sleigh pulled by reindeer, much in the fashion of our Santa. Christkindli brings good Swiss children a beautiful tree, and many gifts. Like Santa, he stresses obedience and admonishes naughty youngsters.

Our Presidents

Rutherford B. Hayes was President when the telephone first talked. Then came James A. Garfield (1880); Chester A. Arthur (1881); Grover Cleveland (1884); and Benjamin Harrison (1888).

Sure Bet

Wager a friend he can't light every match in a book with only one strike per stick. You'll likely win. Friend will be over-eager, strike too hard, too cautiously, or bend a stick or two.



CHRISTMAS LECTURE . . . "Now this is a Christmas tree," big brother appears to be telling the toddler. "It grows in the living room only once a year, and it always has a lot of nice presents under it."

Games for All Make Christmas Family Party

Christmas is the time for family get-togethers. One of the best ways to make these gatherings memorable for all concerned is to engage in games which the whole group can play.

A nice one to start off with would be a Sugar Plum Hunt. Have one member of the family hide Christmas candies ahead of time in various nooks and corners around the house. At a given signal everyone starts hunting and gathering the pieces. The one who gathers the greatest number would be given a prize.

The Christmas Puzzle is another good one to get things going. Look through some magazines, which are filled with pictures of Santa Claus at this time of year. Cut out enough of these to go around, paste them on stiff cardboard, and cut them into pieces. Then put each group of pieces in a separate paper bag. At the signal, everyone opens a bag and starts putting the puzzle together.

The Xmas Scramble Contest is good for a group with older children in it. This is simply a contest to see who can unscramble a group of words the fastest. Just for fun, see if you can work out the following—astma, erireden, ehsgil, dynca, gosknct, erte, trepsen, hupnc, alsore, and niborb.

What's in a Name?

Once called "Locofocos," "Pocket Luminaries," "Congreves," "Light Boxes" and "Lucifers"—people decided it was much easier just to ask for matches.

Stair Treads

Stair treads and risers are often scuffed and marred. Protect their beauty by rubbing them with a light coat of boiled linseed oil. If you desire handsome natural wood finished stairs, remove the old finish.

Christmas is for everyone!

For the young, for the old. For the timid, for the bold. Christmas is for all. Yes, all of us are as one on this happiest of happy holidays. A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you.

The Hollywood Shop
Harrington, Del.

Greetings

This Christmas may you have happiness and good cheer in your home... contentment and joy in your heart. And may the New Year hold for you, a full share of good health and good fortune.

Felton Tavern
Felton, Del.

Merry Christmas

Our wish is simple...but sincere
 • May you enjoy a Merry Christmas
 • And a Happy New Year too!

SAM SHORT'S
CLOVER FARM MARKET
Harrington, Del.

Season's Greetings

The friendly greetings we send to you are as joyous and true as the sound of the glorious Christmas bells.
 A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year to all.

Taylor's Hardware
Harrington, Del.

A
CHRISTMAS
Greeting

From all of us, to all our friends
 This greeting is extended...
 For a very Merry Christmas
 And a New Year that is splendid.

Wilbur E. Jacobs
Harrington, Del.

Christmas Cheer

We wish our many friends volumes of good cheer and contentment throughout the Christmas Season as well as the coming New Year.

Rudnick's
Livestock Sales Co.
DOVER, DEL.

Christmas at home...

It is our sincere hope that this Christmas will find you surrounded by family, friends and all those you love... enjoying the full warmth of the spirit of this happy Holiday.

COLLINS CLOTHING STORE
HARRINGTON MILTON

merry christmas

Once again the season of song and merriment is at hand! As young and old raise their voices in tune with the Christmas celebration may we add to the chorus of harmonious greetings, a cheerful wish for all our friends.
 "May you have a Yuletide of comfort and joy—a New Year of peace, good health and continued happiness."

QUILLEN BROTHERS
Harrington, Del.

Willard Chew Spent Christmas In Beirut, Lebanon

Two years ago Willard Chew, who now farms at Vernon, was in Beirut, Lebanon, a small country in the Levant, for Christmas. He had arrived there shortly before as a millwright for Graver Construction Company, an outfit that was building pipelines and pumping stations for oil.

"We didn't do anything unusual," said Chew, who formerly lived at Greensboro. "The company recreation hall was decorated. Most of the natives were Moslems and didn't observe the holiday but the Christian natives had candy and nuts and plenty of oranges. They danced and sang and exchanged gifts. They had a tree and presents were given the children on Christmas night. They don't get as much as they do here," explained Chew, who spent eight months in Lebanon and two months in Saudi Arabia.

The company furnished housing and food. American employees got \$50 per month in American money, with the balance of the check deposited to their account in the United States. However, employees could write a check on it and get Lebanese pounds but that currency didn't go as far as American money.

Chew thinks Lebanon has the

world's best climate. It is not too hot in the daytime, and at night one always sleeps under blankets, a condition which generally applies to countries in the Mediterranean area. While Chew was there, the country had its first snow in 25 years. The children didn't know what it was and they continued to go barefoot, he commented.

During Easter he visited the Holy Land and took many pictures with a Brownie. He returned to the United States Nov. 21, 1950.

He and Mrs. Chew began to look for a farm and, as they were passing through Harrington, they decided to look around. They bought the Hatfield farm near Vernon and were well pleased with the deal.

There is lots of work to be done on the place, but Chew thrives on it. He commutes daily to Wilmington where he works in the DuPont Shops as a millwright. In addition, this year he farmed about 70 acres of his 100-acre farm.

This year he raised some 700 bushels of hybrid corn, Muncy Chief, for sale and for feed for his hogs. He bought two Hereford brood sows from James Hopkins last February and they had



Farmer Chew and Lebanese Farmer

eight and nine pigs for their first litters. He also has a porker, which will weigh at least 300 pounds, for home use. When Owens Houston, of Andrewville, advertised in this paper for homes for six one-month old rabbit dogs, Chew wasted no time in getting two of them. Incidentally, he wants to sell ten of his Hereford pigs.

The former Marylander has in 20 acres of Patoka soybeans, a yellow variety which, he and his friends believe, will make 15 to 20 bushels to the acre.

Next spring he expects to buy some monk calves and start a dairy herd.

During early November he was cleaning off his ditch banks. Some of the trees were six inches in diameter and these he planned to use for firewood. He was getting nice garden this year and next ready for some work to be done by the Soil Conservation Department.

Chew also had in 10 acres of lespedeza this year. He had a spring he wants to start a laying flock.

Way Back When

Tea-drinking is described by The BOOK HOUSE FOR CHILDREN as "a social custom that arose during the prosperous days of Ancient China when almost every better-class Chinese home had a tea-house in its garden." There, fragrant tea was served, scalding hot, in dainty thimbles of fine, white china, to elegantly-attired ladies carrying scented fans. Although the expression, "a tea," is still used to describe a social gathering of well-dressed ladies in the afternoon, tea-drinking has become popular with nearly all classes in almost every part of the world. Even its use as a cold drink is celebrated in this country during the week of July 13, which has been designated as National Ice Tea Time.

Bronze, Copper, Aluminum Screens

Ever notice how screen frames get stained from the metal oxide that forms and washes down—discoloring the painted surfaces? You can stop this by applying boiled linseed oil mixture to bronze, copper or aluminum screening. Wipe off excess with soft cloth.

Hawaiian "Slang"

Newcomers to the Hawaiian Islands are called "mailhinis", pronounced ma-l-hee-ni. Island old-timers are "kamaaina", ka-ma-ine-na. Both the Hawaiian words have been adopted into common speech of modern residents of all



Willard Chew, now living at Vernon, throws a little corn to his Hereford sows and pigs.

There Was a Time When Xmas Greens Were Rampant Here

By See Aitch Bee

Ah! me! It seems so long ago when I was making Christmas wreaths and gathering other Yuletide greens for sale. In fact, it was long ago. It was certainly between 1920 and 1925 when I got my start.

Bill Cahall, now export manager for Hercules Powder Company, in Wilmington, and I used to go out after school to cut holly for sale. How thrilled we were when late in the day the setting sun would shine on a berry-laden tree! As I remember we would go to the end of Mechanic Street and cut across the fields to the woods. The late Martha Callaway had a truck patch near the woods and we would sometimes see her sitting in the tail-end of a wagon with her feet hanging out.

About dark we would stop at my house. It was here that Bill first ate potato omelets. His mother taught me to make holly wreaths and this instruction started me on a profitable sideline for a couple years or so. I used switches for hoops and bought my holly wire from Book Harrington. It was easily to tangle and what a job it was to straighten out!

I gathered the holly in various spots—from behind the present site of the city dump; on the land of Leonard Harrington on the road back of the schoolhouse (Mr. Harrington chased me out of a holly tree one time); and out by Brick Kiln.

At nights, by lamplight, I would sit in the shed back of our house on Mechanic Street and make wreaths. The usual run of wreaths, with holly berries, then sold at 10c, but I got 15c for mine. Sometimes demand was so great that I bought wreaths from Mrs. Jessie Deputy. She made as good a wreath as anybody.

In searching for holly, I sometimes came across patches of turksbeard. This plant had dark-

green, shiny leaves resembling those of a short-leaf pine. This wreath would stay green for a month. Turksbeard was hard to find and wreaths from it sold readily for 25c each. Loarn Callaway once found a patch in the woods of the late Prof. Tharp, near Farmington. As we were filling our gunny sacks, a setter came up soon followed by its master, the distinguished professor. But Mr. Callaway was equal to the task and talked us out of the embarrassing situation. When I visited the patch in later times, I would roller skate on U. S. 13 nearly to Farmington and walk across the fields to the woods.

Usually in pine woods, I sometimes found a light-green vine, running on the ground, called crowfoot. (The dictionary calls it "crowfoot" and says it has leaves shaped somewhat like a crow's foot.) These were usually made into streamers but I sometimes made wreaths from them.

At Brown's Branch bridge, near the farm of William Taylor, I gathered Irish moss from the mudflats of the stream. The thick stems were white and were covered with tiny green leaves. I made a few wreaths from this plant and sold them. This is the only place I have ever seen Irish moss.

I usually made wreaths, but sometimes I would make a cross for use at the cemetery.

I would start making wreaths about Thanksgiving and store them in a pit in the garden until time for sale.

I generally sold my Christmas greenery in Harrington, but, on two occasions, I sold them elsewhere. Once I got a stand near King Street in Wilmington. I then bought others in Wilmington and peddled them house to house. Once I spent a few days in Philadelphia with Leslie Fisher, at 29th and Diamond Street. As it was near Christmas, I took a few wreaths up there and soon sold

out. It seemed to me that the wreaths I saw on city stands were never so good. I believe that the best wreaths went to a select trade.

The late D. E. Sawtelle, who had an express office in front of the Reese Theatre, used to buy lots of wreaths here. One doesn't see many wreaths anymore. Consequently, the custom of hang-

ing them up seems to be going out of style. The few wreaths one still sees are often garnished with coon berries or artificial berries. I still think the holly berry looks best on a holly wreath. After all, it is hard to improve on nature.

Furthermore, I wonder if it wouldn't pay to raise domestic holly for the market.

Happy Holiday to All

Merry Christmas! From every tongue comes this happy greeting with the hope for Peace and Good Will throughout the New Year.

Joy to the World

The infinite joy that Christmas brings, serves to remind us that all good things in life come from Him and His teachings.

May you have a Merry Christmas, in all the fullest, richest and deepest meaning of those happy words.

William's Pure Oil Station
Harrington, Del.

Harvey J. Camper
Harrington, Del.

Greetings to all...

Christmas is upon us...and we cannot help but feel grateful to our many friends who have helped make the past so worthwhile and whose confidence in us gives added strength and promise to the future. In fullest gratitude we extend our sincerest wishes for A Joyous Holiday Season.

FELTON LUMBER COMPANY - Felton

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Life offers us nothing more precious than the loyalty and understanding of real friends. So this Christmas greeting is sent with a heart full of gratitude for the blessings of our friendship. May you enjoy a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Wheeler's Television Center
Harrington, Del.

The Greatest Choir Number Ever Sung

Take a trip with me if you will, in your mind's eye, as we journey tonight to the Judean hills, with a few shepherds. Yes, another night to sit around the fire and keep an alert eye for ravenous beasts or anything that might disturb the flock of sheep that is so nonchalantly grazing on the hillside.

It is not too cool an evening—in fact the night is beautiful. We watch as the shepherds finish their nightly chores, and then take another glance over the flock just to make sure all is well. Let us join them as they sit down to relax and relate to each other the day's activities.

No doubt the conversation tonight reviews the sights they have seen today as many people travel to the city of Bethlehem to pay their taxes. Listen! Can't you hear the chuckle about some sympathy for others, the partial envy for the rich, all included in this conversation about another day in Bethlehem of Judea.

The night wanes on—nothing unusual—for the sheep are just milling about grazing quietly when, all of a sudden, a great light bursts forth in the sky. We watch the shepherds as their countenances change, sweat pours from their brows, knees shake, and lips quiver as try to ask but cannot, "What is the meaning of this?" "What have we done to deserve punishment from on high?" They fall on their faces to worship when suddenly from the portals of God's Heaven comes the voice of the soloist of the choir.

Hear, as He bursts forth with, "Fear not, for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."—Luke 2:10 and 11.

The shepherds arise, their faces still filled with fear and wonder, and in their minds, they try to review everything they have ever heard from their spiritual teachers. Even now, the Heavenly concert continues—

"And this shall be a sign unto you, ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger." Luke 2:12. The shepherds are about to ask the meaning of it all when the choir of Heaven could no longer keep silent. The greatest choir that sung now bursts forth in the most perfect harmony ever heard by mortal ears, as they sing, "Glory to God in the Highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

The song has ended, the great

light has disappeared. The shepherds stand in awe and listen, perhaps for the echo of the most glorious music they had ever heard. Was it a vision, or perhaps a dream? They ask the question with their eyes.

Shall we follow as they immediately start on their journey in obedience to the song which instructed them to "Go unto the city of David where lies the Christ-Child." We listen, as with each step, their pace is quickened, for they are thrilled now beyond all comprehension. Yes, this is the fulfillment of that great prophecy, Harken, as the shepherds begin to quote almost in unison, "Unto us a child is born—yes, the Prince of Peace has arrived. The government shall be on His shoulders, His name is Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father."

Let us hurry back now to Christmas, 1951. I keep asking myself, "What do we need now in 1951? Our world is in terrible turmoil. Sorrow, disorder, and wars seem to surround us. Yet somehow, it seems I hear from the heavens above that immortal choir as they sing once again. The harmony is still as beautiful as ever, their enthusiasm seems to increase every time they sing it, but I note the words are changed a bit"

Now they beg in song, with Christ as the Master Soloist; "Come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28. I seem to pause now and fall on my face at the memory of a little manger, and a Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, and beg—"O Christ-Child, the Saviour of all mankind—yes, The Prince of Peace, bring peace to my heart, and to this troubled world in 1951."

Almost immediately the Great Light shines again, the choir sings once more, to me this time—"Unto YOU is born a Saviour which is Christ the Lord."

My prayer for this blessed Christmas season is that all of us might listen again to the greatest choir and the greatest song ever sung, and realize they sing that The Prince of Peace might be born anew in our hearts. Amen.

George W. Whetstone, Minister Church of the Nazarene

Protection
You'll be less likely to cut you self if you edge rough glass edge with cellophane tape

Lt.-Col. and Mrs. Coeyman Return From Three Years in Greece

The Greeks do not celebrate Christmas much, said Lt.-Col. William E. Coeyman, who, with Mrs. Coeyman, the former Mildred Wheeler, daughter of W. A. Wheeler, has just returned from three years in Greece as a member of the Signal Corps of the United States Army.

During the two Christmas seasons spent in Greece, the Coeymans had a Christmas tree. "Mildred made most of the ornaments, though some were left by a fellow who had gone back to the States," said Col. Coeyman. "The children in the neighborhood came in and their eyes popped when they saw the tree and we had to explain what it represented. We gave them all presents."

The big holiday for the Greeks is Easter, the colonel remarked. The custom was to fast for 40 days and to break the fast Easter with food and drink. An Easter custom was to bake a large cake and to place a red, hard-boiled egg in it. It was also the custom to give similar eggs as gifts.

In addition to work for the U. S. Army, the Signal Corps also aided the Greek telephone system. Col. Coeyman mentioned, as a sidelight, that when the Associated Press correspondent, Polk, was murdered, he (the colonel) had much work to do in the telephone system.

When asked if many Greeks had formerly lived in the United States, the colonel explained that all towns had numerous persons who had made money in this country, but who had gone back to the old country to "take it easy." In this category, he said, were many who had been in our army during World War I. These repatriates, however, lost everything during World War II. They lost their American citizenship, too, and cannot satisfy their desire to return to this country.

The colonel leaned back in a swivel chair at The Journal office. He looked in tip-top shape. He wore a brown sweater under his jacket and his shirt was open at the collar. He was hatless and carried a boyish grin. After he had lighted a cigaret, he remarked that every large town in Greece had an American Legion post for veterans who had served in our army in World War I. He added that in one town he noted 70 members.

"When you were in Greece for a while, did you soon forget certain American dishes?" the colonel was asked. He replied that such American beverages as malted milks could be purchased at the snack bars and commis-

saries, but that the milk was frozen. As a rule, the colonel remarked, he didn't care too much for milk, but when he reached Ft. Hamilton, on his return to the states, he had his fill of fresh milk.

His first year in Greece was the worst, the Signal Corps officer believed. He was in northern Greece, attached to the Greek army. When it was fighting the guerrillas. The Greek diet he found interesting, but not too appealing. He usually ate the GI C rations. When invited to dine with the Greek officers, he would find the roast head of a lamb on his platter. "Eyes, ears, and all," he explained. The guest of honor would be served a clear soup in which was the eye of a lamb. When asked how it (the eye) tasted, he said, "All I could do was swallow it whole."

Everything was cooked in olive oil, which was distasteful to Col. Coeyman, and, to make it worse, the food was served cold. An item he particularly detested was a legume resembling a butter-bean that was served in olive oil. Food prices were high in

Greece. Eggs were 12c each; liver was \$1 per pound, and steak was \$1.40 per pound. The average Greek made only 900,000 drachmas (\$80) per month.

The Coeymans' stay in Greece had many pleasant aspects, however. "It has the best duck hunting in the world," the army officer beamed. "Gen. Van Fleet, now head of our forces in Korea, five others and I once killed 165 ducks, 20 geese, and four or five wild swans," he said. "The wings on one swan were six feet from tip to tip. They came from the north, through Russia and I still do not know how the Russians let them through the Iron Curtain. The Greeks themselves did little hunting because they had lost their guns during the war. And, they made their own shells. I gave a Greek army officer some of our shells but warned him not to put them in his old gun. He did. It blew his gun all to pieces."

The Coeymans saw as much as they could of Europe and Asia Minor, and North Africa. They visited Garmisch in Bavaria, and attended the Passion Play at Oberammergau. At Garmisch they went to the top of the Zugspitze. They visited Austria and in Italy they stopped in Rome and Venice. "I got some nice pictures in Venice," said the colonel, who

likes to take color shots with his 35-millimeter Leica.

The Coeymans visited Cairo, Egypt, and also saw King Tut's tomb at Luxor. This trip was especially interesting since they had read "The Egyptian" in which some of the sights had been mentioned.

They visited the sites mentioned in Greek mythology and many ruins in Greece and Crete. In Crete, the colonel said he visited the temple of Korosos, 2000 B. C., a four-story structure that was one of the best-preserved temples in Greece or its possessions. This temple had running water 3951 years ago. The water came from a reservoir on the roof. The plumbing facilities were better than those of many Greek homes today. Some Cretans still worship the bull, just as they did thousands of years ago. Some ancient frescoes, depicting bulls and athletes, still have their original paint.

The colonel found no labyrinth in Crete, as mentioned in fables, and in "The Egyptian."

"All Cretan men wear riding boots," Col. Coeyman remarked, "but I did not see a horse on the island. The women all carry short daggers for protection. The Cretans are very ferocious. They fought the Germans long after the Nazis had taken Greece."

Rommel dropped paratroopers on it and later used it as a base for his invasion of Africa.

"In Greece we saw the Acropolis, which is the name applied to the whole hilltop. On this hill is the Parthenon, which would have been in good condition today for the fact that a Turkish battleship scored a direct hit on it once upon a time when the Turks were fighting the Greeks, who had ammunition stored in the temple.

"We also visited Philippi, in Macedonia. This was the home of Philip of Macedonia, the father of Alexander the Great. The ruins were remarkable. They included a hole in a rock, with a lid, which was the prison of St. Paul, the Apostle.

"Delphi is another interesting sight. It is 125 miles from Athens, was called the center of the universe, according to an old Greek legend. It was the home of the Oracle of Delphi. Military leaders would go to the temple and ask for advice and the unseen voice would give instructions. Near the temple were, and are, underground sulphur springs which would emit nauseating vapors. The theory of the oracle now is this: The people would go to the springs and inhale the dopey vapors. Then they would go to the temple to hear the

oracle. There are narrow passages under the temple. The priests could crawl under the temple. They could hear the questions asked and answer without being seen."

Col. Coeyman took some nice pictures of Mt. Parnassus. The Greeks claim the Ark landed there.

Delayed Action

How do astronomers know what is happening in the sky if it takes so long for the light of the stars to reach us? They do not know what is happening in the universe at the present time, but only what was happening when the light started on its journey to us. As telescopes become more powerful and reach out in greater depths of space, we get back farther and farther in time. The most distant objects which can be observed with the 200-inch Hale telescope at Mt. Palomar are so far away that their light (with a speed of 186,000 miles per second) takes about a billion years to reach the Earth.

Brickwork

Here's a trick that works wonders for either painted or unpainted bricks . . . around your fireplace or for other interior brickwork. First clean the bricks thoroughly, then brush on a 2/1 mixture of boiled linseed oil. This gives the brickwork an attractive, glossy finish that's easy to dust.



The approach of the
Holiday Season brings a wonderful flow
of memories of Yuletide scenes of
long ago...and though time
has wrought many changes, the spirit of
Christmas remains today, as warm and hearty as ever.
You can see it in the smiling welcomes and outstretched
hands; you can hear it in the tinkling laughter of the children;
you can feel it in the expectant hush
that fills the home as Christmas Day approaches.
Midst all this good cheer, hospitality and good fellowship, we wish
to extend to our friends and neighbors our heartfelt good wishes.
May you enjoy a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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Christmas Beeves And Roasting Pigs Are No More?

Christmas beeves and roasting pigs are no more?

Well, who knows? Ernest Neill, managing editor of The St. Louis Daily Livestock Reporter, National Stock Yard, Ill., where the editor of The Harrington Journal worked for a number of years, writes that both Christmas beeves and roasting pigs are practically out.

There was a time, before World War II, when there was some demand for Christmas beeves. These beeves were the best. Usually, they were choice or prime steers, weighing 800 to 1000 pounds, which went to supply a special trade in the larger cities during the holiday season. Many of these cattle today would be in the class of club calves. And would a nice roast beef from one of these babies, cooked down in the juice, with white and sweet potatoes, whole onions, carrots, look nice on a Christmas table? And do not forget, the gravy must have a little garlic in it.

But times have changed, and "poor" people now have to eat just plain, old turkey or some other fowl.

Neill writes: "The practice of shipping Christmas beeves has been discontinued years back, and there is little or no mention of it at the present time. As far as premium prices are concerned, practically all cattle are now selling at premium prices at National Stock Yards."

There was a time, also before World War II, when roasting, or peewee pigs, found a good demand at premium prices on the St. Louis market. These pigs, usually roasted whole, with an apple in their mouths, generally weighed from 40 to 60 pounds on the hoof.

Of roasting pigs, Neill writes:

"The practice of marketing roasting pigs prior to holidays was practically discontinued at National Stock Yards a few years ago. Demand was so limited for this trade specialty and the margin so small after shipping and yardage charges that it no longer carries enough profit in the long run. Lightweight pigs are subject to heavy price penalties for lack of weight and are worth far more in the country. Most of the very limited number of around 30 to 50-pounders received here have been shipped in because of poor condition or for some similar reason and generally sell anywhere from \$5 to \$12 per cwt., depending upon their condition."

Papa is a Nobody

The name of Nathaniel Hawthorne, the great American author, fills people with awe, even today. However, his children, in their time, were little-impresed with the importance of their father. The BOOK HOUSE FOR CHILDREN tells how the little Hawthornes, Una, Rose, and Julian, who loved him dearly, "climbed all over the great writer, covering his chin and breast with grass, while he lay in the sunshine."

Match Glitter

Glamour in a matter of seconds! Almost every woman's sewing box contains a few brightly colored sequins. Several of these sparklers pasted on a plain matchbook cover in initials, a pattern design, or hazily, add a note of elegance to a tiny item.

Children's Treats To Be Distributed Saturday

The distributions of candy, nuts, and oranges will be made Saturday afternoon at the Santa Claus House, Sam Short, president of the Harrington Better Business Association, said Monday. Christmas Eve had been mentioned as the date in last week's Journal.

County Firemen Make 50 Runs In November

Kent County fire companies answered 50 alarms during November, with fire damage at \$6450, according to the report of Grover C. Lord, county fire recorder, read at a county meeting and dinner at Felton firehouse Wed., Dec. 12. Felton firemen's auxiliary served the dinner.

Insurance on the damaged property was \$2500. Net loss on 16 town fires was \$200; on 34 rural fires, \$3840.

Men in service were 763, with total man hours, 406 hours and two minutes. The firemen used 1575 feet of 1-inch hose and 1550 feet of 2 1/2-inch hose. Types of fires were as follows: mercantile, 2; dwellings, 2; chimney, 14; auto, 3; grass, 12, and miscellaneous, 12.

Three persons lost their lives in fires in the county during the month.

Companies having no fires were Houston, Leipsic, Little Creek, Magnolia, and South Bowers. Companies not reporting by the 10th of the month were North Bowers, Clayton, Milford, and Smyrna.

Harrington Fire Company answered two town and eight rural calls during December. Loss here was \$3700, of which \$2000 was covered by insurance.

At the Felton meeting, essays on fire prevention were read by the three winners in the county.

It was decided to have a county ladies' night in March, with date and place to be determined. The county meeting will take place here the third Wednesday in March, and at Frederica in January.

Homemakers Corner

Holiday Date Stuffings

Stuffed dates make luscious eating at holiday time and provide variety for the Christmas menu. Here are two recipes for stuffings that are guaranteed to set the mouth to watering and the eyes to glowing.

APRICOT COCOANUT: Wash 1 cup (1/3 pound) dried apricots and place them in a colander or wire strainer over boiling water for 5 minutes to soften. Run them through the food chopper alternately with 1/2 cup of nut meats and 2/3 cup of shredded cocoanut. Next add 2 tablespoons of orange juice and 1 teaspoon of grated orange rind. Mix until well blended. Stuff the dates and then roll them in sugar.

MARSHMALLOW COCOANUT: Cut 1/4 pound marshmallows into quarters with wet scissors. Stuff each date with a piece of marshmallow, placing the cut side up. Dip the sticky surface of the marshmallow into shredded cocoa-

nut. Marshmallow cream may be used for this recipe, also.

Cranberry Sauce Tempter
For a delicious topping to go over plain cake, cupcakes, biscuits, pancakes, or waffles, you might like to try this cranberry

sauce recipe. Add 2 tablespoons of butter and 2 tablespoons of brown sugar to a cup of whole cranberry sauce. Heat the mixture to boiling and serve hot.
Easy-To-Make Christmas Present
A square scarf is a wonderful

and inexpensive holiday gift, especially for a teen-ager. Helen Shelby, University of Maryland clothing specialist, gives these simple directions for making a scarf with a fringed edge.
Take a piece of material a

yard square and ravel the edges to make a fringe from 1/2 to 3/4 of an inch deep. An added touch might be to embroider the initials of the intended wearer in contrasting thread on a corner of the scarf.



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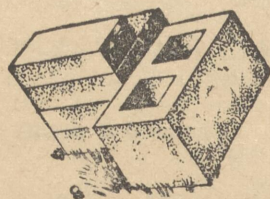
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Better Drill Club Notes

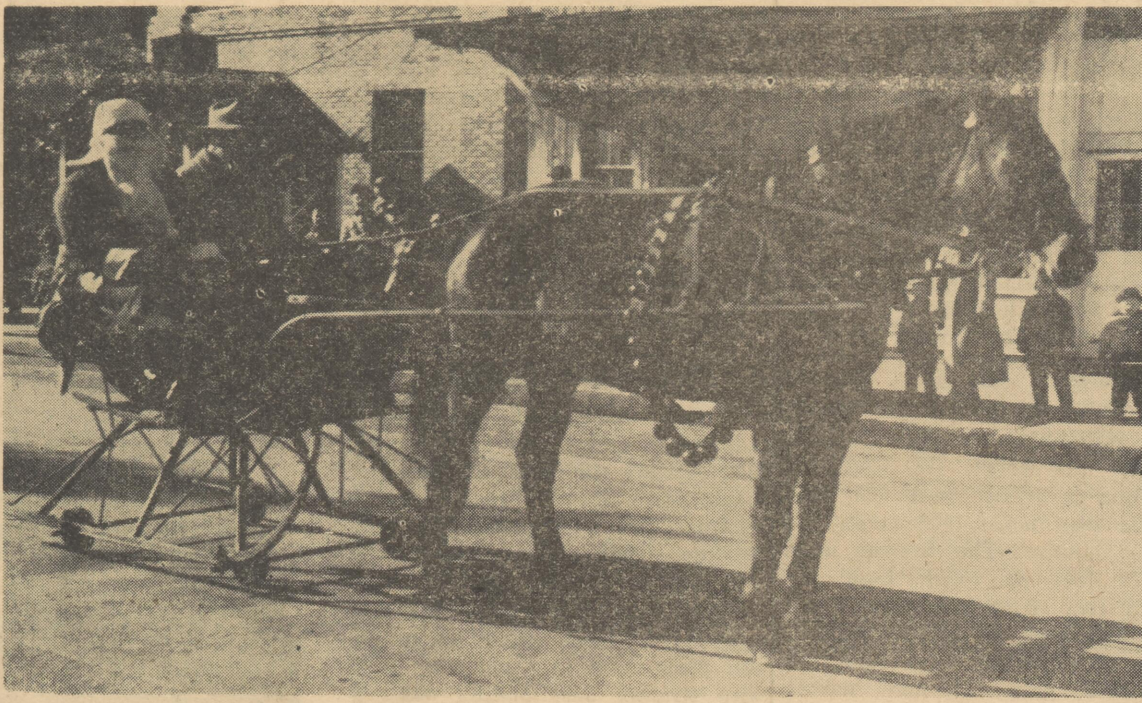
The annual Christmas dinner of the Better Drill Club was held Tuesday evening at the Bridle Bit, near Harrington. All 10 members were present and all enjoyed the delicious turkey dinner. After dinner the club met at the home of Mrs. Elsie Tatman and held its December meeting and Christmas party. The meeting was brought to order with the president, Mrs. Elsie Barlow, presiding. The club reports a very good year, with four members having perfect attendance.

Mrs. Tatman had her home decorated for the Christmas season. Gifts were exchanged among the members. All were lovely gifts. Mrs. Irene Outten won the door prize, a lovely set of embroidered pillow cases.

Mrs. Elsie Barlow gave each member a very beautiful crocheted pin cushion which she made. The club presented her with a nice white slip.

After the meeting and presenting of the gifts all enjoyed a few games of bingo. Mrs. Evelyn Porter won first prize at bingo. Mrs. Tatman served refreshments of fruit cocktail, ritz and coffee. All departed at a late hour planning to meet in January at the home of Mrs. Elsie Barlow.

Here Comes Santa Claus, Here Comes Santa Claus



Lack of snow proved to be no deterrent to Kris Kringle's arrival by sleigh here Saturday afternoon two years ago. The vehicle was put on wheels. Driving is Leonard Harrington the owner. And, of course, Santa Claus is Santa Claus.



OF ALL THE holiday delicacies, none carries more of the old-time traditions and associations of good eating and festivity than mince pie. Many writers give credit for its origination to Germany, while others claim that its beginning is lost in the annals of history. English literature dating to the 15th century is full of references to this Christmas favorite, an essential part of Yuletide celebrations in England. Old superstitions held that any person refusing to eat mince pie would be unlucky for the coming year. Should he accept the invitation, and partake of mince pie, he would have the same number of happy months during the year as the number of houses at which he ate mince pie. The oriental character of the spices and flavoring was said to represent the rich gifts of the wise men to the Christ Child.

HELPING SANTA

When Buying Toys for Children

If you wish your child to get the most available from this year's toys, be sure to look for the five major qualities recommended by specialists.

Toys to be thoroughly satisfying for the small fry should have five major qualities, say specialists at the college of home economics, Cornell.

First, toys should be durable to withstand the rough and tumble of any one child and his playmates. Sturdy toys can be repaired and repainted and passed on for the enjoyment of other youngsters, in or out of the family.

Toys should be simple and easy to handle and operate. Simple play things are more likely to hold interest through long child-hours and less likely to be shelved permanently.

Toys should be safe to use—without sharp corners or rough places or poor paint that might be harmful to a youngster. And toys should be washable.

Finally, toys should have what the specialists call a "do-with" quality. Good old stand-bys such as wagons, blocks, clay, sand, finger paints, and the like may fit into the child's interest of the moment.



THE STABLE AT BETHLEHEM . . . The Babe in the manger, surrounded by the gentle animals, is a vision we can see more clearly with our hearts than with our eyes. And seeing it, we may truly say, "Glory to God in the highest."

Tradition Says Tree Originated in Egypt

The Christmas tree, now almost a universal symbol, probably came to America from Germany, although tradition has it that Christmas trees originated in Egypt. The palm tree is supposed to put forth a branch every month, and a spray of this tree, with 12 shoots on it was used in Egypt.

German writers mention the tree as early as 1605. The German prince Albert, consort of Queen Victoria, introduced the Christmas tree in England when he had a tree for his daughter.

Basilica of the Nativity One of Oldest Churches

The Basilica of the Nativity at Bethlehem is one of the oldest churches in Christendom, having been built 1,620 years ago.

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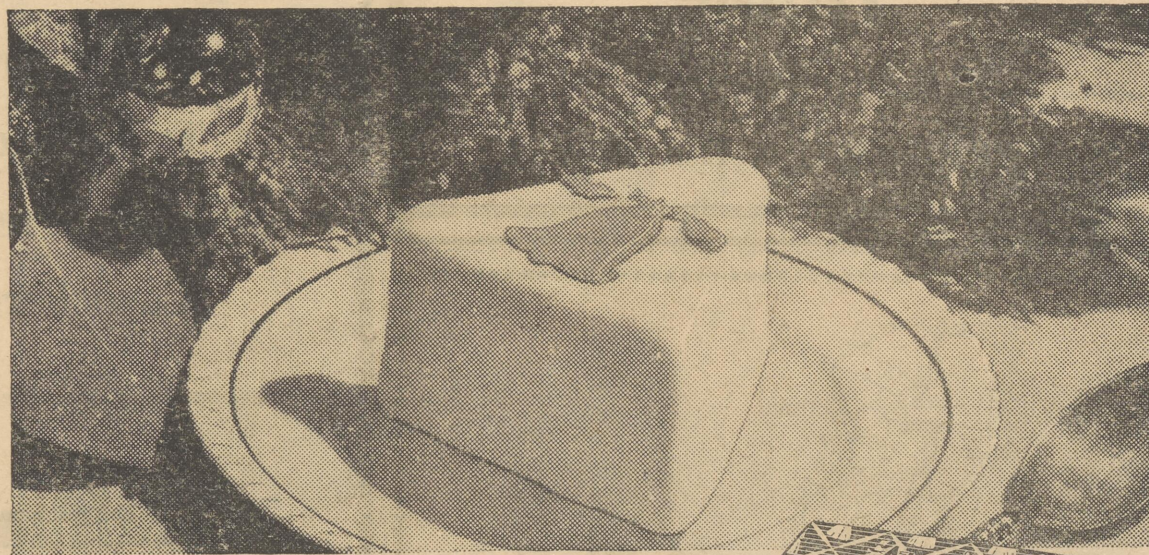
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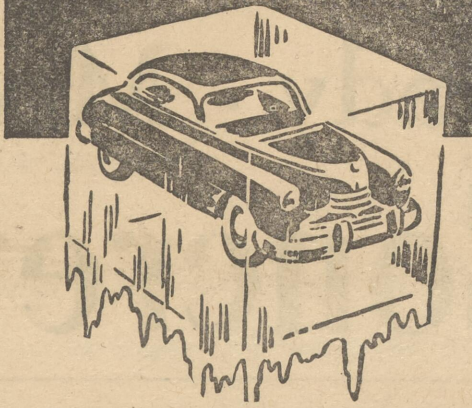
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