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High School Band Gives Concert

The Statesboro High School band will present its annual Christmas concert Sunday afternoon, December 22, at 3 o'clock, in the high school auditorium.

The program, under the direction of George M. Shearouse, band master, will include the traditional Christmas songs "Silent Night," "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing," "O Little Town of Bethlehem," "The Messiah," and "Holy Night." Other selections will be "King Cotton," "The Crusaders," "Moonlight on the Nile," "Stars and Stripes Forever," and the "Star Spangled Banner."

The personnel of the band includes: Oboe: Linda Beun, clarinets: J. L. Screws, Doris Dickey, Mary Brannen, Dan Blitch, Jackie Waters, Shirley Ann Lanier, John Lightfoot, Virginia Lee Floyd, Ann Murray, Barbara Ann Jones, Bobby Newton, and Gene Newton. Alto clarinet: Guy Freeman. Bass clarinet: Ann Hemmington. Alto saxophone: Betty Ann Sherman. Cornets: Linton Sammons, Jr., Jerry Kitchens, Eddie Hodges, Betty June GIBB, Donald Kitchens, and Charles Simmons. Horns: Evelyn Rogers, Floy Evelyn Blackburn and Charlotte Boyd. Baritone: W. S. Hanner, Jr. and Sara Betty Jones. Trombones: John Barr, Tullulah Lester and Dick Miller. Basses: Bobby Stephens, and Clyde Lunsford, Jr. Bells: Margaret Hagin. Drums: Lucille Purser, Berta Sue West, Jackie Murray, Donald Flanders and Elaine West.

Land Owners Warned Against White-Fringed Beetle, Insect Pest

The White-Fringed Beetle, a serious economic insect pest of agriculture, has been found in Statesboro and at one other isolated location in the county. The property owners concerned at the isolated infestation have been contacted regarding the pest. Therefore, it is necessary to contact authorized White-Fringed Beetle inspectors before moving soil, farm produce, plants and shrubbery, in order that arrangements may be made for treatment or proper methods of handling the articles to prevent further spread of the insect.

Land Owners Warned Against White-Fringed Beetle, Insect Pest

The following Bulloch County AAA Committee was re-elected to hold office for 1947: J. A. Banks, Chairman; C. M. Graham, Vice Chairman; Paul Edfield, regular member.

Community commitment are: 44th, J. H. Strickland; 45th, C. C. Anderson; 46th, Frank Saunders; 47th, J. W. Davis; 48th, W. R. Newsome; 49th, W. E. Deal; 50th, W. E. Deal; 51st, John Conley; 52nd, J. E. Deal; 53rd, T. O. Wynn; 54th, H. W. Nesmith.

Attention --- Tobacco Farmers

DON'T GET CAUGHT NEXT YEAR WITHOUT YOUR TOBACCO CURE READY. WE ARE NOW ACCEPTING ORDERS FOR—

The Buckeye Tobacco Curer

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"BUILT AS ONLY BUCKEYE BUILDS"

Bulloch Tractor Co.

West Main St. Statesboro Phone 378

FB to Hear Lady At Annual Meet

Dr. Pauline Parks Wilson, dean of the school of home economics at the University of Georgia, will be the lady speaker at the Bulloch county Farm Bureau's annual meeting, R. P. Mikell, president, announces. Mr. Mikell stated that a program of music and talks by some outstanding women and men, along with the usual business of the annual meeting, was being worked out for the January 4 meeting.

Dr. Wilson is regarded as perhaps the outstanding authority on family relationships in the country and is an excellent speaker. Mr. Mikell feels that such a discussion has a definite place in the Farm Bureau program, as the organization is a family affair and not merely an individual membership.

The Bulloch county chapter has for sometime used the annual meeting as a celebration for achievements in the past year as well as planning a definite program for the coming year. The resolutions committee has worked for some 30 days now preparing a program for the meeting.

The insect spends a large part of its life cycle in the soil, in a dormant stage; therefore, the movement of soil in any form or quantity is especially hazardous. Consequently, restrictions have been placed on the movement of soil from any regulated area whether moved independently of, in connection with, or attached to nursery stock, plants, produce, articles, or things.

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DEVILED CRABS in the shell, ready for the oven. The best in town. We have plenty of quantity. We deliver.—SEA FOOD CENTER, Call 544

GARDEN FRESH frozen foods Sea Food Center, 60 West Main St. (Next to City Dairy). Phone 544. We deliver. We have plenty of parking space for you to shop at our place.

NOTICE OF SALE

The following described property belonging to the estate of Farley S. Cone, deceased, will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash at the home of the said Farley S. Cone, on Thursday, December 19th, 1946, said sale to begin at 10:00 o'clock A. M.

1 Ford Tractor, with Ferguson equipment, 1 tobacco transplanter, 1 two-row Tobacco Sprayer, 1 1940 Ford truck, 1 Mule, about 8 years old, 1 60 gallon syrup boiler, 1 lot of Tobacco sticks, 500-700 bushels of corn in the shock, 1 radio, electric, 1 Home Comfort range, 1 lot of Wire fencing, one-horse wagon, 1 lot of sweet potatoes, 1 22 Winchester rifle, Household and kitchen furniture, Miscellaneous tools and equipment.

GEORGE M. JOHNSON, Auctioneer, Executor Will Farley S. Cone, Deceased.

HAULING DAY OR NIGHT
Price Reasonable
ROBERT BAZEMORE
Phone 188

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—Nearly new metal double-bed, coil springs, cotton-filled mattress, a pair of pillows, in exchange for good roll-away youth or single bed, or will sell for \$35.00 cash.—H. HUFFMAN, Collegeboro, Phone 56-R between 6 and 7 p.m.

STOLEN: Pointer, age 15 mos., answers to the name "Mike." Tan ears, brown shaped diamond in center of head, black toe-nail on front feet. Speckled face, large mouth, and small brown spots over the body with one fair size brown spot on lower part of back; extra large dog for age. \$35.00 dollars reward for information leading to his recovery.—JAMES D. HALL, Collegeboro, Ga., Box 273, Green house trailer back of College.

NOTICE—We will be closed week of December 23, reopen December 30. No wood nor lumber deliveries will be made.—Howard Lumber Company.

FOR SALE: New No. 2 Bell Hammer Mill, Tractor drawn. Call Mr. Jones at 459.

FOR SALE: 83 acres, 60 acres soil, balance well timbered, small plough land, number one Tim house in bad repair; 8 miles north of Metter; price \$2500; terms 1/2 cash.—JOSHIAH ZETTEROWER.

FOR SALE: Liquor Store and grocery store combined on 8 acres of land on State Road about 4 miles from Statesboro. Land and building price \$3500. Inventory stock.—JOSHIAH ZETTEROWER.

FOR SALE: House in fair condition, 10 rooms and bath, near school, price \$5500. JOSHIAH ZETTEROWER.

Church News

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Ronald J. Neil Lay Reader
9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer. Sermon: "Christmas—Our Opportunity." Fourth Sunday in Advent.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Claude G. Pepper, pastor
10:15 A. M. Sunday School.
11:30 A. M. Morning Worship.
5:00 P. M. Christmas Cantata "Bells of Christmas" under the direction of Dr. Ronald J. Neil, Director of Music.
The Morning Worship Service will be broadcast over Radio Station WTVN.

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

V. F. Agan, Pastor
Hours of worship: 11:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, December 22nd.

"And when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh." So the wise men honored the infant Jesus. Let us give due honor to His name today by attending His service and celebrating His work.

A cordial welcome to all.

Sutlive Talks to Rotarians Here

Mr. Kirk Sutlive, public relations director of the Union Bag and Paper Corporation of Savannah, was the guest speaker at the Statesboro Rotary Club Monday of this week.

Mr. Sutlive, a former newspaper editor, told the Rotarians that of the 438,000 acres of land in Bulloch County, 218,000 acres or 49 percent, are in forest lands, and that 70 percent of all the land in the First District is forest land.

Pleading with them for adequate protection of forest against fire he said that only one third of the lands in this section are protected against fire, while in other sections of the states, the protection is one hundred percent.

Speaking briefly on Union Bag and Paper Corporation he stated that ten years ago they had about one thousand people working with them for \$1,000,000 a year; today there are 4,500 on the pay rolls receiving \$9,000,000 a year.

With Mr. Sutlive was Mr. Kelly industrial relations manager of the corporation.

FOR SALE: 130 acres, about 8 acres cultivated, 120 acres timber, good level land, small four room house, one mile of Brooklet, on Brooklet - Leefield road; price \$350, terms, \$120 cash.—JOSHIAH ZETTEROWER.

THANKS FOLKS!

The Catholic Priests of Statesboro are deeply grateful to the firemen and friends who so kindly helped us in our recent fire at the mission. Rev. Ed. Smith, Rev. H. Burke.

LOOKING FOR A PLACE TO LIVE? STOP looking. Immediate possession of attractive, comfortable quarters. Move right in and save your money. It doesn't cost a cent! Join the U. S. Army and latch on to a future at the same time! Earn big money and learn a profession. An opportunity of a lifetime awaits bright young men between the ages of 17 and 34. Go to nearest Army Recruiting Station for additional details.—140 BULL ST., SAVANNAH, GA.

DID YOU KNOW That The Statesboro Floral Shop will deliver YOUR MOTHER Flowers on her BIRTHDAY. They are as near as your TELEPHONE. Call 319.

POPULARITY is yours for the asking when you serve THE SUMMER BREAD. Everyone likes its rich, fine flavor and oven-freshness that LASTS LONGER. Reach for a loaf of HOLSUNG TODAY and every day.

CRISTMAS TURKEYS: See Mrs. H. A. Deal 5 miles North of town for nice fat turkeys for Christmas. Weights from 10 to 20 lbs. ideal for any occasion.

Eighty percent more energy required to stand than to sit.



HELLO! You bet we can take care of you. Anything you need in farm equipment help is right down our alley. Sure we have parts—a big stock of genuine IHC parts. And if we're out of the one you need we'll get it quick.

What day do you want your work done? O.K., that's a deal. We'll get it out on time for you. When you can let us know ahead

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- LEATHER JACKETS**
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- SOX BY "HOLEPROOF"**

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"STRATA - LINER" and "FLEX BELTS"

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By Rothschild

TIES BY WEMBLBY
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TIES BY SOL SHERMAN
Nylon \$1.50
Heavy Silk \$3.50

The Men and Boys Store

Complete Outfitters for Men & Boys
22 EAST MAIN ST. STATESBORO, GA.

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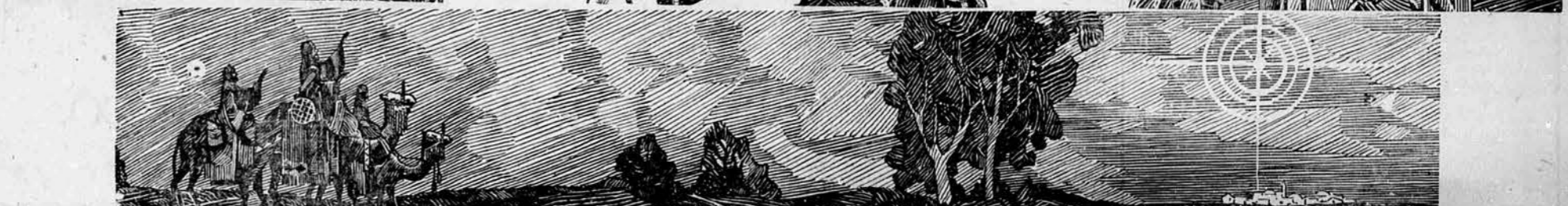
The Song of Christmas

THE long journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem ... a new Star in the sky ... heavenly music above the hills of Judea ... the flutter of angel wings ... the swift journeying of the Shepherds ... Mary and Joseph and the new-born Child ... the coming of the Wise Men, with their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh ...

From these inspiring things the Song of Christmas was fashioned more than twenty centuries ago. The years have added new notes of happiness. Carols and song upon the air ... candles gleaming into the night ... secret whisperings and laughter in the home ... greetings going from friend to friend ... deeds of love and mercy done in the name of a Child.

No great symphony or composition can match the Song of Christmas. It rises above the clatter and roar of the city; it throbs through the scattered town and hamlet; it sings through the sunlit islands of the South; it permeates the frozen wastes of the Northland. In ever-widening volume its strains echo around the world.

Before its magic the hosts of darkness take flight. It touches the slumbering chords of memory; it heals old hurts and scars; it binds loved ones in a closer and deeper tie. There are no friendless or forsaken within its sound; under its influence the strong reach out to help the weak. Peace and Love and Joy, these are its loudest notes, and they are for all men. For the Song of Christmas is the greatest of all songs because it is understood by every heart.





Season's Greetings

As the Christmas season unfolds its splendor, we send to all our patrons and friends many good wishes that this Christmas be the merriest of all time!

**A. B. McDOUGALD
AMERICAN OIL COMPANY
Statesboro, Georgia**



Old Fashioned Yuletide Greetings

It isn't always stylish to be old fashioned, but there are times when it's very genuine—and Christmas is one of them. Yes, folks, we wish you an old fashioned Christmas this year . . . the best one of them all!

**FLETCHER - COWART DRUG CO.
17 West Main St. Statesboro, Ga.**



The Season's Best to our friends

How well we remember those old Fashioned Christmas dinners—father at one end of the table; mother at the other end, and the children in between, wondering if father would ever get done carving the turkey. And what mince pies!

Wouldn't you like a Christmas like that this year of 1946? We hope that your Christmas is as much like that as the changing times will permit, and that all the joys of the old days will abound.

**SUPERIOR BAKERY
58 West Main St. Statesboro, Ga.**

Miracle Play In Modern Texas Town

LOS PASTORES, the hybrid Spanish-Indian miracle play introduced to Mexico centuries ago by Spanish monks and presented by San Antonio during the Christmas season, is enacted primarily for its spirituality.

A group of amateur actors go from house to house by invitation and because it is traditional that no one prompted by idle curiosity should witness the performance, only the initiated can find the scene of presentation.

Usually someone's back yard becomes the stage; the doorsteps serve as background for the Nacimiento. Manger scene various objects are set on the stairs: pieces of crockery, tinse, pinecones, pyrotechnic—anything the householder considers especially beautiful in the center of the lowest step, the Christ Child is life-sized doll placed on a platter with divers gaudy candy) is surrounded by plaster shepherds, donkeys, etc.



A tent opposite the Nacimiento gives evidence of representing hell; bonfires have been built within and live devils emerge therefrom.

It has no definite time for beginning, but finally, a girl starts to walk back and forth reciting. Overdressed shepherds drone a seemingly endless song. Ermitano, the comic relief, carrying a rosary of spoons, also represents the soul of his earthly journey and is often accompanied by the white winged Archangel Gabriel.

It is a never-ending performance: seven devils, six in sequined black with animal masks and the fork-tailed Lucifer in brilliant red, are finally vanquished; likewise, a wild Indian is overcome and kisses the Christ Child; the shepherds and all in attendance kiss the Child, solemnly and as slowly as possible.

Faith and Peace Are Eternal . . .

TWENTY centuries have passed since the inn at Bethlehem was overcrowded because of Caesar Augustus and his census.

The bigwigs who crowded the inn were committed to oblivion by their contemporaries and, except for the census and resultant conditions at Bethlehem, it wouldn't matter too much if Augustus completely vanished from the history books.

It is generally immaterial that, as puppet king of Judaea, Herod fortified the kingdom and kept it out of the clutches of Cleopatra, rebuilt the city of Samaria, and endowed several pagan temples long since crumbled into dust. Few people know, and fewer care, that his wife and two sons were murdered at his command. This sort of a Romanized Jew, is remembered chiefly because of his hypocritical treatment of the Wise Men and because he authorized the slaughter of the Holy Innocents—and even this deed of incredible cruelty might have been forgotten if the Babe of Bethlehem who grew into the Christ and bequeathed a new philosophy of love and peace to all mankind.

Some men question what has been accomplished during the 20 centuries since Bethlehem.

True enough, some of the records have been written with indelible ink; others with prejudice and splattered with much blood; but cynics had best not rest their argument too confidently upon the gory records written or provoked by men who either did not know Christ or openly rejected his commands.

On the other hand, the glad tidings announced to a few shepherds at Bethlehem have inspired courage and faith and love such as no earthly decree or proclamation has ever called forth.

Faith and Peace are eternal gifts—and twenty centuries are mere fleeting moments of Eternity.

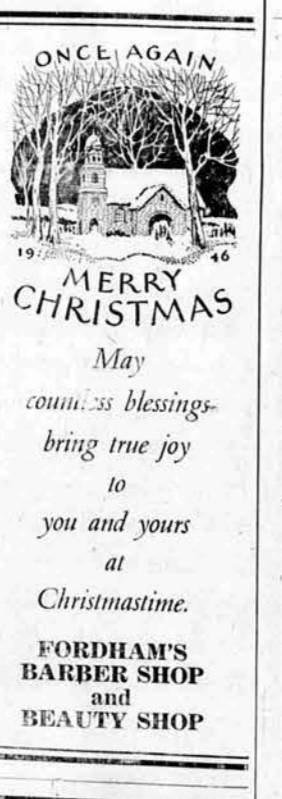
Greatest Stamps Of Entire World

Officials estimate at least 100,000 lives are saved each year—in America alone—by funds made available by the annual Christmas Seal campaign against tuberculosis.

In 1933, a Danish postal clerk—Einar Holboell, by name—conceived the idea of a voluntary tax on Christmas greeting cards which would benefit the underprivileged. Specifically, Holboell visualized establishment of a fund to build a hospital for tubercular children. The ministry granted Holboell permission to sell his seals at post offices and the Christmas Seal campaign was launched. In many countries, the seal campaign is conducted largely in co-operation with postal authorities and, in some instances, the seals are parts of special postage stamps.

The American Red Cross became interested in the project in 1907 and co-operated with the National Tuberculosis Association. To strengthen the nationwide campaign, the Red Cross and the Tuberculosis Association jointly considered the sale of the seals and, until 1919, the emblem of the Red Cross appeared on the seal.

In 1919, the double-barred cross, international emblem and trademark of the warfare against tuberculosis, was combined in the design of the seal. In 1920, the Red Cross wished to devote its energies to the annual Roll Call seal arrangements were made whereby the sale of the tubercular Christmas Seal is conducted exclusively by the Tuberculosis Association.



ONCE AGAIN

MERRY CHRISTMAS

May counsils blessings bring true joy to you and yours at Christmastime.

FORDHAM'S BARBER SHOP and BEAUTY SHOP



Merry Christmas

SINCERE GOOD WISHES for a delightful holiday season from the store that friendship built.

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Statesboro, Ga.**



Christmas Greetings

We're in perfect harmony with the spirit of the season, when we express our yuletide sentiments to everyone we know. May your Christmas be jolly and wreathed with holly!

**OLLIFF & SMITH
Since 1893**

Christmas has a very special and personal meaning for each of us—but we all unite in singing mighty praises to Him for the good things that have come to us.

In the jubilant mood of this Christmas season, we extend our fondest, cheeriest greeting to all our friends.

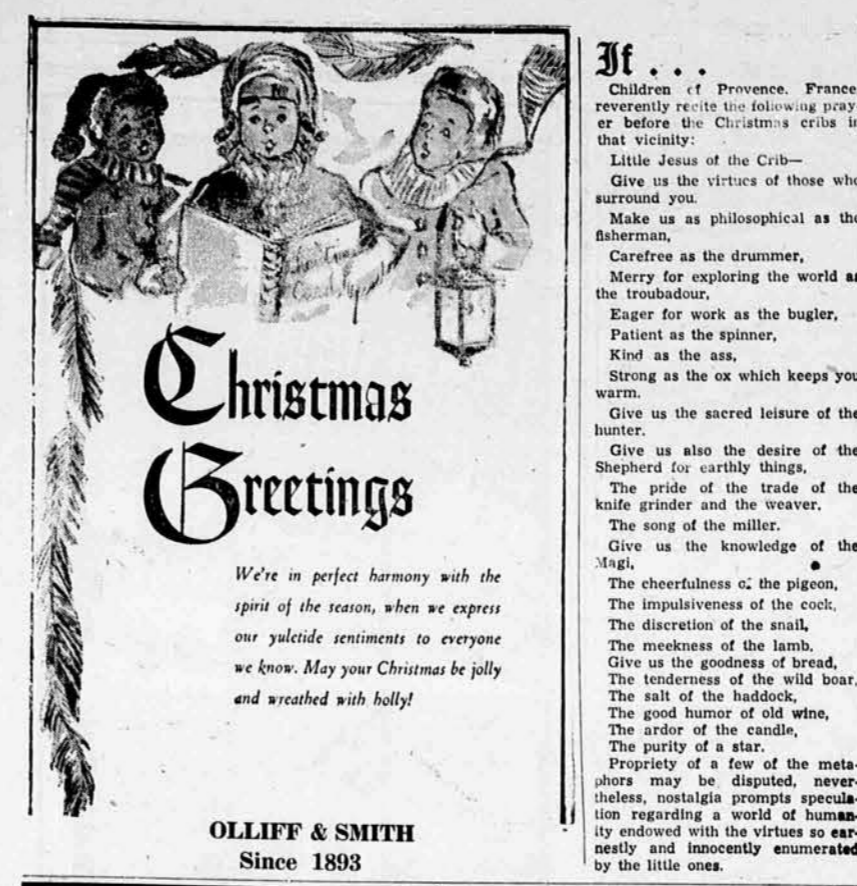
**S. W. LEWIS, Inc.
Statesboro, Georgia**



Merry Christmas

All of us are wishing all of you the best the season has to offer! That covers good health, good friends, good times and good fortune!

**HOWARD LUMBER CO.
Statesboro, Georgia**



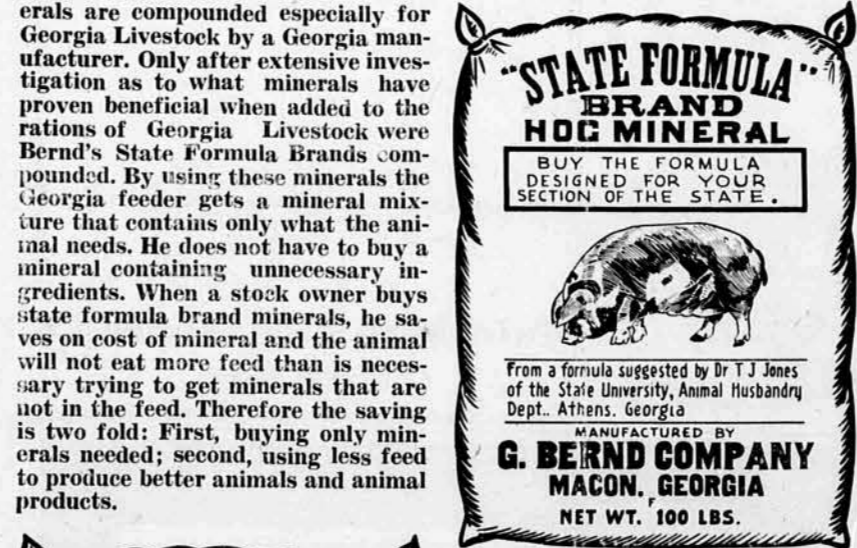
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From a formula suggested by Dr. T. J. Jones of the State University, Animal Husbandry Dept., Athens, Georgia.

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.....Bags South Georgia Cattle Mineral \$3.75 each.

.....Bags South Georgia Hog Mineral \$3.50 each.

Ship to: Total amount

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C. O. D. () \$.....

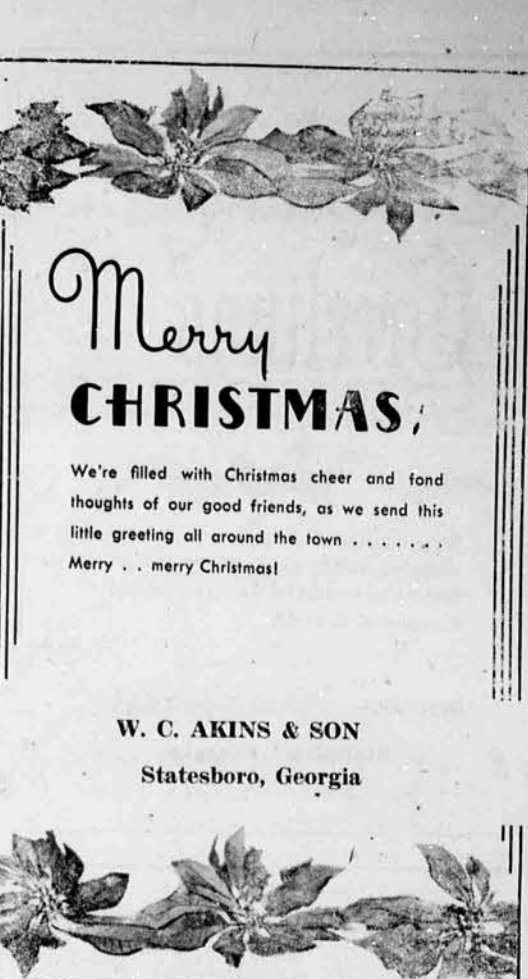
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A Christmas Greeting

The joy of Christmas is upon the world radiating happiness to all hearts young and old. Let this Christmas be the brightest, merriest and most prosperous!

**STATESBORO OFFICE EQUIPMENT CO.
F. S. Pruitt
Statesboro, Georgia**



Merry CHRISTMAS!

We're filled with Christmas cheer and fond thoughts of our good friends, as we send this little greeting all around the town . . . Merry . . . merry Christmas!

**W. C. AKINS & SON
Statesboro, Georgia**



Christmas Cheer comes but once a year!

For both young and old there are untold joys at Christmastime. To all wish complete fulfillment.

SUTTON'S PACKAGE SHOP

J. F. SUTTON
South Main Street Statesboro, Georgia

Christmas Greetings

We're thinking about all our friends as the season's spirit fills the air. We want to extend our best wishes for the most wonderful Christmas of all, to all!

HODGES - ATWELL BAKERY
Statesboro, Georgia

Thanks, Friends,
MERRY CHRISTMAS
1946



MAY THE TREASURE OF ACCUMULATED MEMORIES of Christmases past and gone gladden your Christmas celebration this year. We wish for you all the good things for which Christmas has always stood.

THE FAIR STORE
Statesboro, Georgia



Christmas is the one great event that transcends the bounds of any one country and embraces the whole world. In much the same way there is no limit or bounds to our good wishes for you for a Merry Christmas

UNITED 5 and 10
Statesboro, Georgia

Santa Claus By... Any Other Name

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



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

Italian Befana and Russian Babouska are variously reported to have hastened to follow the Wise Men, misdirected them, and refused shelter to the Holy Family in their respective countries, these two ageless wanderers slip toys to the pillows of sleeping children, still looking for the Babe of Bethlehem whom they have never found.

Christkind, in keeping with the German idea of Christmas, is the messenger of the Infant Jesus who brings happiness to good children; Polish and Hungarian youngsters search the house for strands of angel hair—conclusive evidence that the Holy Angels are not to bestow gifts upon the worthy.

In France, the Yule Log is allowed to burn momentarily, extinguished and covered with a cloth. After the Log has failed to yield gifts, the children are sent to ask pardon for their omissions in private. Meanwhile, parents place the presents beneath the cloth to be discovered by the returning children.

Syrian legend sends the Gentile Camel of Jesus, laden with gifts, riding over the desert on Epiphany Eve—exhausted by the hastening Wise Men, he was blessed with immortality by the Christ Child.

The identity of the gift-bearer is immaterial; but it is vital that no child be disappointed; no trusting heart betrayed; lest the magic hour passes, leaving broken dreams and twisted emotions to wander across the wilderness of eternity.

STUFFED ANIMAL VARIETY

Among the newcomers to the stuffed animal collection of toys is the fawn which is gaining in popularity with most of restrictions on its manufacture removed.

Sheng Dan Jieh—A Holy Festival

The celebration of Christmas is gradually becoming widespread in China as more and more families are converted to Christianity.

Sheng Dan Jieh—literally, Holy Birth Festival—is the Chinese name for Christmas. Private homes are decorated with large white posters inscribed with Chinese characters meaning Peace, Good Will, etc. The Christmas tree is also popular. Symbolically called the Tree of Light, it is usually made of paper mache and, trimmed with paper flowers and ornaments, it is not artificially lighted.

Gifts are exchanged within family circles and there are "surprises" for the children: American lead pencils, picture books and even cast-off Christmas cards are exceedingly popular.

HER Gift CHRISTMAS

KATE YARROW had so often heard neighbors remark that she would be an old woman before her time, that she had begun to think of herself as quite middle-aged. Actually she was not quite 30, nor had her full days as mistress of the Yarrow household turned her hair gray or her cheeks wan.

Sometimes, since she had taken her mother's place, Kate did think she was imposed upon. But she blamed no one. Her father was generous enough with the money, and she had Martie in the kitchen and Sam for outside work. But five inconsiderate younger brothers and a grumbling grandfather made a household that required supervision.

For the past two years, Kate thought, there had really been no Christmas. But this year would be different. The brothers, all in boarding school or college, had accepted invitations to spend the holidays with room-mates. One sister was visiting an aunt, and the other had gone south with her exacting but youthful grandfather. And Kate's father was spending the season with a thoroughly capable widow who, it had been whispered, he was considering as a possible second wife.



Bill did not neglect his privilege. So as soon as the last member of her brood had faded down the driveway, Kate told Martie and Sam to settle back to spend Christmas by herself. She ran into the spacious living room and with a completely ungrudging leap planted herself sprawling upon the divan. Ever so one had Kate been told on that divan. Kate never had time to think she would begin the Christmas holidays by staying there for hours.

Before dinner-time she dismissed her best red evening frock and over this her amock. Then she went down to the kitchen to make herself a meal, admitting for the first time that it was rather lonesome in the old house. She heard loud rattling on the old brass knocker, and went to open the door rather timidly.

But her timidity gave way to annoyance. There was her older brother, Tom, who had started that morning ostensibly to pass the holidays with a group of bachelor friends. And here he was, back—with five young men in tow! They were heavily laden, turkey feet protruding from one of the bundles.

"Well, we began talking it over," Tom said, "and decided Christmas at the club would be a treat. So I asked the fellows to come home with me. I was afraid you wouldn't have things for the feast, so we stopped and got what we thought you'd want. Bill, here, even got mistletoe, though I told him there'd be no pretty girls."

Then, turning to one of the young men whom Kate had never met, the factious brother went on: "Bill, this is my sister. Now I'll run along and get the car in the garage. And, sis, you might take the fellows up and show 'em where you want 'em to sleep!"

Bill alone of the young bachelors noted the look of disappointment on Kate's face. Later, after she had prepared an impromptu Christmas Eve supper and laid aside her amock, she heard Bill say from the other end of the table: "I thought Tom said there would be no p. My girls here, boys, let's drink a toast to Sister Kate!"

It was past midnight that night when Kate left the kitchen. The boys had helped with the dishes under Bill's orders, but there would be pies and puddings to make for the next day and Kate knew she would have her hands full. She was up early to prepare the festive breakfast, and all day she worked in the kitchen.

It was late Christmas night when she had finished the last work in the kitchen. As she passed through the hall, Bill stood waiting for her. There, above them, hung the mistletoe—and Bill did not neglect his privilege.

"It isn't just because of the mistletoe," he told Kate, holding her still close to him. "I loved you when I first saw you. It has been outrageous for us to impose on you this way."

Leading Carols

BY LYNN CONNELLY
A SONG which made its appearance in 1942 entitled "White Christmas," is in its fourth year and well on its way to permanent recognition as a Christmas favorite.



The amazing popularity of "White Christmas" as a yuletide song reached its peak last year when a poll conducted to establish the favorite carol of servicemen revealed that 22 per cent of the votes went to this early war song written especially for the occasion by Irving Berlin, graduate of Tin Pan Alley.

The birth of the song was entirely by accident despite rumors to the contrary which attribute its conception to the war. Actually, it was composed in 1940. A Hollywood studio had an idea for a motion picture to be called "Holiday Inn," co-starring Fred Astaire and Bing Crosby. The theme of the picture was based on the holidays of the year and a song was needed to represent each holiday. Irving Berlin was contracted for the compositions. The picture, released in 1942, was synonymous with our second wartime Christmas, and in that year the song sold one million copies in four months. Although nothing is done on the part of the publishers to exploit the song it automatically rings the register each year as the holiday season approaches. Berlin calls it his favorite song, with the exception of his "God Bless America" written during World War I. "It's difficult to predict a song's future," says Berlin, "but judging from its past, I would say 'White Christmas' has a very good chance of becoming a permanent song along with other Christmas carols."



May every moment of this joyous holiday season sparkle with gaiety and happiness for you and yours. For your kind patronage of the past may we extend our appreciation and express our desire to continue to serve you faithfully in the future.

WELCOME 1947



Modern Home Equipment Co.
Courtland Street
Statesboro, Ga.



May every moment of this joyous holiday season sparkle with gaiety and happiness for you and yours. For your kind patronage of the past may we extend our appreciation and express our desire to continue to serve you faithfully in the future.

Greetings

The candle's bright gleam casts a shadow of beauty over all the house... the spirit of Christmas is one of brightness and cheer...

We too want to share that spirit with you on this joyous holiday by extending you our sincerest wishes for a Merry Christmas to All



Modern Home Equipment Co.
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NOTICE OF SALE
SURPLUS GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
The War Assets Administration, Office of Real Property Disposal, Atlanta Regional Office, hereby gives notice that it has available for disposal under the surplus Property Act of 1944 and of War Assets Administration Regulation 5, the following property which has been declared surplus by the Government:

50.5 acres of land located approximately 25 miles northeast of Statesboro, Bulloch County, Georgia, on State Highway No. 73 in the 1209th Georgia Military district of Bulloch County, Georgia. It is known as the Cantonment Area of Statesboro Army Air Field which lies west of State Highway No. 73 directly opposite the main entrance to the air field. There is located on this land certain buildings and structures which will be removed immediately.

Terms and conditions of sale and all necessary information concerning the property and the method of exercising priorities, and submitting offers will be available on and after November 27, 1946, at the address given below.

Priorities. The property is subject to the following priorities in the order indicated:

- Government Agencies.
- Reconstruction Finance Cor.
- State and Local Governments
- Former Owner.
- Former Owner Tenants.
- Veterans.
- Owner-Operators.
- Non-profit institutions.

Priority Period. The time for exercising priorities shall be within (90) days of the first publication of this advertisement.

Address all inquiries to:
WAR ASSETS ADMINISTRATION
Deputy Regional Director, Real Property Disposal
690 Ponce de Leon Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 5, Georgia Phone Cress 3611 (AT-88)



JOIN WITH US
Let us toss our cares out the window. It's Christmas! Join with us in celebrating the glorious holiday.
And Merry Christmas TO YOU

THE FASHION SHOP
Statesboro, Georgia



CHRISTMAS WISHES by the THOUSAND we send to all our friends this Yule Season of 1946. May yours be indeed a MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A Happy New Year

AKINS APPLIANCE COMPANY
21 West Main St. Statesboro, Ga.

Christmas Carol
'White Christmas,' Modern Day Carol
Irving Berlin's "White Christmas" has definitely joined the procession of Christmas music. Let us salute it as a new record of creation to the inner sanctum of cherished traditions, let's see just how old some of our Christmas favorites really are.

Denmark launched the annual Christmas Seal campaign against tuberculosis in 1904; Dickens' "Christmas Carol" was written in 1843; Samuel Clement Moore wrote "The Night Before Christmas" in 1822; W. C. Dawson, one of Queen Victoria's favorite artists, dispatched the first Christmas card in 1843, and, historically, the first Christmas tree was set up in 1604.

One can imagine the first Christmas carol—the "Gloria in Excelsis" of the angels. However, our popular Christmas carols today, "Adeste Fideles" is undoubtedly the oldest, its origin its controversy of some say it was a graduate of the Claretians, others date its composition variously—from 1260 to 1680. Even accepting 1680, "O Come All Ye Faithful" antedates—for example—"Hark, The Herald Angels Sing" (1730), "Silent Night" (1818) and "O Little Town of Bethlehem" (1838).

There's a lot of Christmas tied up in the confident expectancy of childhood and the nostalgic memories of grown-ups, so, "May your days be merry and bright" and "And may all your Christmases be white."

Christmas Trees, Cribbs and Ceppi
Christmas trees and cribs, within respective spheres of influence, provide focal points for observances of the season.

Various legends claim to tell the story of the first Christmas tree; actually, evergreen decorations were so closely associated with pagan celebrations that they were banned by many ecclesiastics of the early church.

According to literature, the first Christmas tree was set up at Strasbourg, Germany, in 1604 and then, the cry rose against heathen customs and, as late as 1801, the Rev. Henry Schwab was severely criticized for setting up a Christmas tree in his church in Cleveland, Ohio.

St. Francis of Assisi received special permission from the pope to present a tableau of the nativity scene. This first crib, set up at Greccio, Italy, in 1223, was an immediate sensation; the renaissance endowed the cribs with ornate pagantry and, modernly, the crib is to southern Europe and Catholic countries what the tree is to America and northern lands.

Eighteenth century Italians were fond of a fantastic decoration called the Ceppo. Pyramidal in construction, the Ceppo was made on a framework of lathes with transverse shelves rising to three or four stories, depending on the over-all size of the Ceppo.

The whole thing was covered with colored paper, tufts, tassels, fringes, tiny pine cones, and little flags; a manger scene was represented on the lowest shelf, while the upper ones were covered with small gifts, etc.; wax tapers were placed along the sides and a large gilt cone ornamented the top. Although the original designer probably never saw a Christmas tree, the Ceppo—aided by a little imagination—bridges the gap between Christmas cribs and trees.

Star of Bethlehem Phenomenon of Age
The Star of Bethlehem has been the subject of extensive research and discussion.

Modern astronomers have considered several natural phenomenon theories without attaching too much weight to any such hypothesis.

The first chapter of the gospel according to St. Matthew begins: "The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham..."

And confirming Bethlehem as the city of David, the angel of the Lord declared: "For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a SAVIOUR which is CHRIST the Lord." St. Luke 2:11.

Considering tradition, which accepts that King David's shield forms a six-pointed star, the Star of Bethlehem appropriately "... stood over where the young Child was," St. Matthew 2:8.

Used As Good Luck Charm
Rings of mistletoe were worn around the neck in Sweden to prevent sickness.

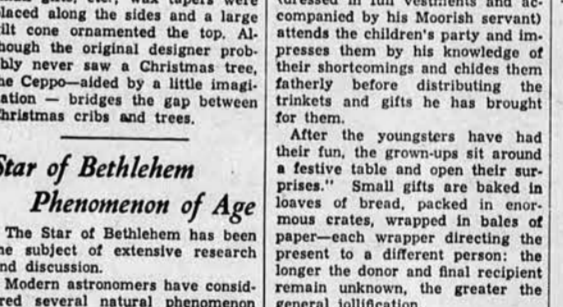


Star of Bethlehem Phenomenon of Age
The trees comprising the mile long Avenue of Christmas Trees in Altadena, Calif., are descendants of the Deodar Cedar of India which grow upon the slopes of the Himalayas.

While traveling in India in 1882, Capt. Frederick J. Woodbury gathered the seeds which he planted later on his ranch in California.

The seedlings were about two feet tall, the captain's sons transplanted them to line the wire driveway leading to the ranch residence.

The once private driveway at the foot of the Sierra mountains is now a busy public thoroughfare and Captain Woodbury's seedlings, accumulated each year at Christmas, attract thousands of visitors annually.



Merry Christmas
California Has Mile Long Avenue of Lighted Trees



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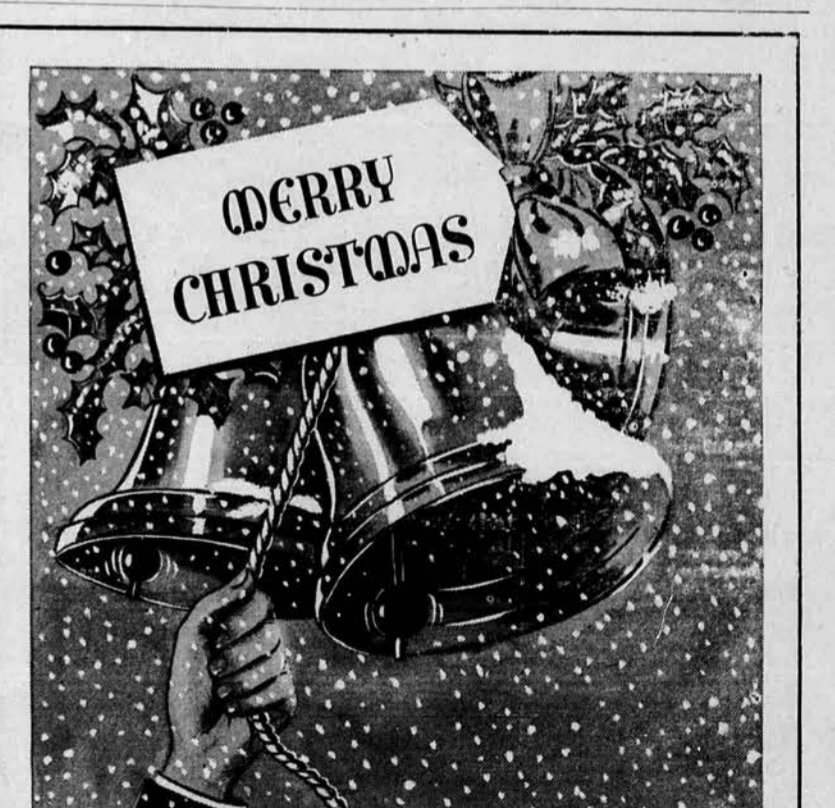
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USE AIR MAIL now only 5 cents



A Christmas Greeting
AT THIS TIME, most wonderful season of all the year, we want to extend to each and every one our very best greetings; an abundance of health, happiness and prosperity.

We wish you Christmas joy as unremitting as the good will that has marked our mutual respect through these many years.

Lannie F. Simmons
DODGE - PLYMOUTH
DODGE JOB-RATED TRUCKS
Statesboro, Georgia



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Mince Pies of Deep Christmas Tradition

No Christmas dinner would be complete without mince pies. While they have long been a part of our Christmas tradition, they originally had a deep symbolic significance.



Patterned after the manger in which Christ was born, they were oblong in shape. The crust, baked a golden brown, represented the gold brought by the Three Wise Men.

Lyons First Born Welcomed Warmly

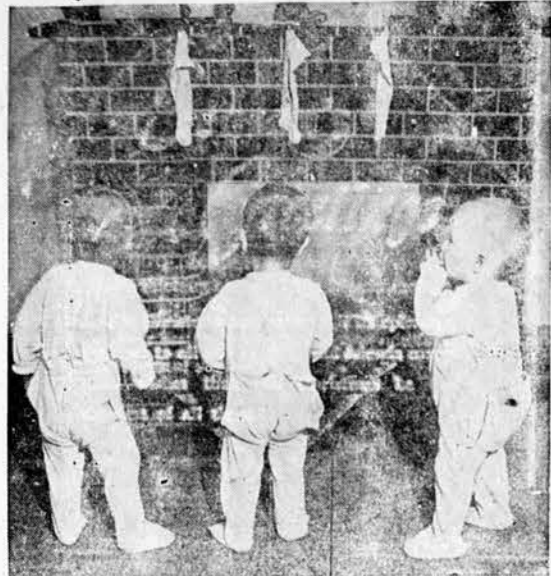
"... But the Son of Man hath not where to lay his head."—St. Matthew 8:20. At Foundling hospital in Lyons, France, the first infant received on Christmas Day is luxuriously welcomed with great ceremony; the tradition contrasting the lot of the infant Saviour and that of one of his most helpless little ones.

Nola Birthplace Of Church Bells

The use of church bells is said to have been inaugurated during the fifth century by Bishop Fulvius of Nola, in Campania. Although the derivation is doubted by some authorities, it appears that the Latin word for bell—campanula—was derived from the bishop's town, Nola, and district, Campania.

When the Infant Jesus Selected His Playmate

According to various legends, the Holy Family travels about on Christmas Eve. Long ago—in England—the sick babies were carried to the graveyard. If the child recovered, it had been healed by the passing Christ; if the baby died, the Holy Child had chosen the infant to be his playmate in heaven.



WAITING FOR SANTA... They know that Santa will soon be around and at taking a last look before going to bed to see that everything is in order for him.



PREDICT WEATHER ON CHRISTMAS DAY
● It is said that the coming year's weather may be forecasted by cocking an eye at the sky during Christmas week. Here are a few of the beliefs, conflicting in many details:
● If the sun shines through the apple tree on Christmas Day, there will be a good crop the following year.
● If ice will bear a man before Christmas, it will not bear a mouse afterwards.
● Thunder and lightning Christmas week means much snow the balance of the winter.
● Rain causes more damage than frost before than after Christmas.
● At Christmas if meadows are green, at Easter they will be covered with frost.
● If windy Christmas Day, trees will bear much fruit.
● A wet Christmas means an empty granary and barrel.
● A green Christmas makes a fat graveyard.
● A warm Christmas means a cold Easter.
● A green Christmas is followed by a white Easter.



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Merry Christmas TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

Styles change, methods change, but Christmas—never! Beneath it all is the same old love of man for his folks and his neighbors, the same old dream of the day when peace and good will encompass all the earth.
So now in that changeless season of Christmas we greet our friends and neighbors, as so often before, with that time-worn message of cheer and good fellowship, **MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

HODGES FISH MARKET
(Eli Hodges, Owner)
West Main Street, Statesboro, Ga.



Hello Folks Merry Christmas
ALL OF OUR FOLKS ARE HOPING THAT ALL OF YOUR FOLKS WILL SPEND A MIGHTY Merry Christmas
PRODUCER'S COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION
"Farmer Owned and Operated"
Statesboro, Georgia

Lincoln Issued Famous Emancipation January 1.
The Emancipation Proclamation was issued by Abraham Lincoln on New Year's Day, 1863. The Proclamation abolished slavery in those states and parts of states which were in rebellion on that date and, though other days are observed in various parts of the country, January 1 is the date most generally observed as Emancipation Day.
French Celebrate New Year's The famous "Jour de l'An"—New Year's Day—is probably the gayest day in the calendar of the French-Canadian. That is the time family reunions and of exchanging gifts.

Facts and Fancies Of New Year's Day

New Year's with its open houses, parties, exchanging of New Year's cards, horn tooting, Auld Lang Syne and New Year's resolutions, is one of the oldest of celebrations. As a holiday it has been observed since ancient times and has been marked throughout history by the giving of gifts and the exchange of greetings.
The early Persians said "Happy New Year!" with colored eggs. They regarded New Year's in much the same way we, today, regard Easter—as a time of renewal of all things. And on New Year's Day, pagan Britons received branches of sacred mistletoe from their Druid priests.
According to some authorities the custom of gift-giving at New Year's originated in 747 B. C. when the Romans presented Tattius, king of the Sabines, with bouquets from trees consecrated to Strenia, the goddess of strength. Consequently, New Year's gifts became known as "strenae" and were exchanged among friends and neighbors and exacted by emperors from their subjects.
The Emperor Claudius showed unprecedented concern for the "populist" pocketbook by serving notice to the Roman citizenry that the cost of "strenae" given to him should not exceed a specified amount.

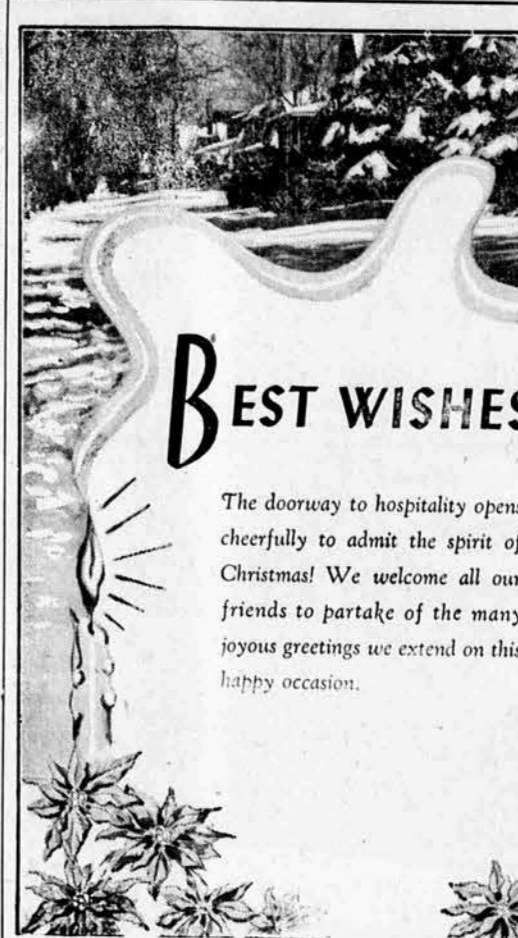
While the observation of New Year's dates from early Persian time, the modern version with its color and celebration is a vastly different affair than the B. C. period.
Henry III of England, however, wasn't so considerate. He followed the old tradition of exacting New Year's gifts from his subjects, and this custom was carried on by succeeding monarchs up until the time of Charles I.
It was this practice which caused one of Henry VIII's most embarrassing moments. One "Honest Old Laitner," instead of presenting his sovereign lord with the usual purse of gold, gave him the New Testament with a leaf conspicuously folded down at Hebrews XIII, 4, which passage bore certain appropriateness to the monarch's domestic failings.
Most noted for fabulous New Year's "hauls" was Good Queen Bess. Her presents ranged from jewel-embroidered petticoats to fatted geese for the royal larder.
However, when Oliver Cromwell and the Puritans took over the English government, they put an end to this extravagant practice, only to have it revived later by the royal Stuarts.
In Merrie Olde England, the common New Year's article of exchange amongst the ordinary citizenry was a pair of gloves. Occasionally the gloves were accompanied by sums of money which came to be known as "give money."
A story is told of Sir Thomas More, lord-chancellor, who decided a case in favor of a certain young lady. On the following New Year's Day, she sent him a pair of gloves with 40 gold coins enclosed. Sir Thomas returned the coins with the following note: "Mistress, since it were against good manners to refuse your New Year's gift, I am content to take your gloves, but as for the 'lining' I utterly refuse to take it."
Pins, too, were a common New Year's gift at this time and the money accompanying them was referred to as "pin-money"—hence our modern term.
Today, in England and America, the practice of exchanging New Year's gifts is practically obsolete. But the spirit of hope and good will and resolution that characterizes the coming of the New Year is kept alive by the friendly and growing custom of exchanging New Year's cards with their colorful holiday symbols and hearty messages of cheer.



FOR 1947 WE PLEDGE THE SAME FINE SERVICE AND VALUES WE HAVE ALWAYS GIVEN YOU IN THE PAST

—THE VERY BEST THAT CAN BE HAD.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!



Georgia Theatre
Statesboro, Georgia

The tale of Borechvalier and the tree of humanity, told with minor variations throughout France and Germany, is one of the most charming of all the Christmas tree legends.
Borechvalier was traveling through a dense forest once upon a Christmas Eve. In the distance one tall evergreen stood apart from all the others; it seemed aglow with lights and, from afar, a star appeared to rest among its topmost branches.
As he drew nearer, Borechvalier saw that the tree was covered with candles—some standing upright and others inverted. The star at the top seemed to be the vision of a child whose beautiful head was surrounded by a pale amber halo.
Word spread through the village that Borechvalier had seen a vision, dreamed a dream, or perhaps experienced a phenomenon. The knight himself admitted that the whole thing seemed incredible; if it was a vision, he could not interpret it; but he was absolutely certain he had seen it and his story was always the same.
Learned citizens of the community questioned him and shook their heads—so did everyone else, except his mother.
The tree of humanity had been revealed to her son, she said proudly, and all the world would be blessed by his vision.
Indeed, Borechvalier's vision symbolized the tree of humanity; the candles represented persons, the good ones standing upright; the bad ones inverted; and the child at the top was the Infant Jesus who watches over all the world of humanity.



MAY TRUE HAPPINESS IN ALL ITS FULLNESS BE YOURS THIS CHRISTMASTIME
JONES THE FLORIST
Statesboro, Georgia



On this gay, spirited Christmas, our best wishes go to all our friends for the happiest and most joyous Christmas ever! And coupled with our sincere felicitations is a "thank you" for your appreciated patronage. A merry, merry Christmas to one and all!

Bulloch County Bank
Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation



Season's Greetings
The merriest Christmas and the happiest New Year ever is the very best we can wish our friends, one and all. May the Yuletide season bring you every joy and happiness.

F. W. Darby Lumber Co.
Statesboro, Georgia



Collins Freezer Lockers
Statesboro, Georgia

Season's Greetings
Up hill and down dale
go our Christmas wishes to all
our friends and patrons.

THE Season's Greetings
FRIENDLY CAFE
Statesboro, Georgia

Letter To Santa
I wrote a note to Santa Claus
I thought it would be fun
I said I'd like a lot of things
Especially a gun.

Merry Christmas
May yours be a joyous holiday,
overflowing with happiness and
good cheer.

A Joyous CHRISTMAS
With bells ringing and carolers
singing, our greetings go out
to you for the merriest
Christmas in your book
of memories...

Merry Christmas...
and may all your dreams come true
The sweet trust with which children turn to
Santa for fulfillment of their wishes, is the
very essence of the season's spirit. In sharing
the dreams of childhood and bringing
them to life your joy is ours!

L. A. Waters Furniture Co.
STATESBORO MILLEN

3 FB's Name New Heads
J. A. Hart, B. F. Deal, and J. V. Anderson have been named
presidents of the Ogechee, War-

Episcopal Church
Lower Floor, College Library
December 29, 9:30 a.m. Morning
Prayer. Sermon: "The Gospel of
Christmas. First Sunday after
Christmas."

Good Books Are True Friends
In the best books great men talk to us, give us their most precious
thoughts, and pour their souls into ours—Channing.



May yours be a Merry Christmas

PERSONALS
Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Wilson, of
West Orange, New Jersey, and
Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Cipe, of Char-



MERRY CHRISTMAS
With kindest thoughts and
good wishes the entire City Coun-

PERSONALS (continued)
Mrs. S. Wilson is making her
home here with her daughter,
Mrs. Virgil Donaldson and Mr.
Donaldson.

NOTICE
We will be closed on Tuesday,
December 31 to take inventory.
We will also be closed on Wed-

SOCIETY

COTILLON DANCE

The Cotillon Club entertained with their annual Christmas dance at the Woman's Club Thursday night. Hostesses for the dance were: Mrs. Bird Daniel, Mrs. William Smith, Mrs. Chalmers Franklin, Mrs. Will Woodcock, Mrs. James Bland, Mrs. Everett Williams, Mrs. Cohen Anderson, Mrs. Claude Howard, Mrs. H. D. Everette and Miss Elizabeth Sorrier. The club room was decorated with red and green, the Christmas colors. The mantel was banked with green fern and red berries and a large picture of Santa Claus was on the wall. The table had the Christmas tree in center with her burning tapers on each side. Lambuth Key and his orchestra furnished the music throughout the evening. A variety of sandwiches, potato chips, pickles, ice box cookies and coca-colas were served. Sixty couples enjoyed this dance.

BRIDGE GUILD MEETS WITH MRS. HOWARD

Mrs. Claude Howard entertained her club "Bridge Guild" Wednesday afternoon at her home with

two tables of bridge. For her decorations, she used the Christmas motif of red and green. For high score, Mrs. Bland received an apron and for low, Mrs. Ralph Howard received cocktail napkins. The hostess served her guests a salad course with coffee.

STUDENTS HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

College students home for the holidays are: Miss Virginia Cobb, Duke University of Michigan; Miss Martha Rose Bowen, and Mary Anna Stula Brannen, Stetson University; Cadet Eddie Rushing and Remer Brady, GMC; Worth McDougald, Emory; Misses Anne and June Attaway, Interment, Bristol Va.; Miss Janet Agan, Shorter; Misses Nona Hodges, Betty Tillman and Betty Sue Brannen, Wesleyan; Miss Barbara Franklin, Agnes Scott; Miss Hazel Nevils, Abraham Baldwin; Ed Ohlf, Kim Johnston, Emie Cull and Dan Groover, Draughts, Misses Betty Lane, Dorothy Anne Kennedy, Jane Hodges and Betty Joyce Alburn in Guyton Wednesday.

Mrs. Nellie Miller and son, Lee and Janell Evans were dinner guests of Mrs. Miller's sister, Mrs. J. E. Dunham and Mr. Dunham in Guyton Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Barnett, of Athens, are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Lightfoot.

Billy Lee, of Port Chienoa, California, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Nellie Miller on North College St.

Wista Upchurch, of Atlanta, spent a few days last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Upchurch. Friends will regret to learn that Mr. Upchurch is ill.

Mrs. Dan Blitch, Sr., Mrs. D. Blitch, Jr. and Agnes Blitch spent Wednesday in Savannah.

Miss Martha Jean Nesmith and Josh T. Nesmith arrived Saturday to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Nesmith, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bowman, Miss Dorothy Darden, and Miss Virginia Darden arrived Thursday to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Loren Darden.

Mr. and Mrs. James Elard and son, Jimmy, are spending the holidays in Eustis, Fla. with Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Keown.



'Twas the night before Christmas

May Christmas Bring You Joy and Gladness
CROUSE AND JONES MONUMENT CO.
Statesboro, Ga.



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh
Yes, Folks, Now I'm Mad!
Most of you folks who've been reading my column, know me as a pretty mild tempered man, believing in "Live and let live," with plenty of respect for the other fellow's point of view. But right now I'm blowing my top! It's this talk of bringing prohibition back to our town... subjecting our children to the evils that we see, right now, in other counties where the law exists! You know what I mean...speaking of his flask, drinking, gambling, bootleg booze, and a rising wave of juvenile delinquency. Because it's the children of our community that are the first to suffer from lawlessness and terrorism. From where I sit, it's an insult to the decent population of our town, and the way we're bringing up our children, to suggest "reform school methods" as a substitute for good home influence and self-respecting self-regulation. I'm staying mad until that kind of talk is killed for good!
Joe Marsh

SEASON'S GREETINGS



Howdy, Folks!

WERE INTERRUPTING THE FESTIVITIES AT YOUR HOME JUST LONG ENOUGH TO CALL AND WISH YOU THE FINEST KIND OF A NEW YEAR AND TO THANK ALL OF YOU FOR PAST FAVORS.

M. E. ALDERMAN ROOFING CO.
West Main St. Statesboro, Ga.

1947
HAPPY PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

Satisfactory business relations rest upon past performance. It has been our aim during all the years to justify your confidence in us and to merit your continued friendship.

Accept our hearty thanks for the pleasant associations of the past year, and our best wishes for a happy and prosperous 1947.

PROCTOR CABINET CO.
FRANK T. PROCTOR Owner
8 N. Walnut St. Statesboro, Ga.

Smith, Wallace Cobb, Jr., Bobby Joe Anderson and Edy Miller, Ga. Tech; Virginia Durden, Robert Lanier, Betty Bird Foy, Joan Trappall, John Morris, Bernard Morris, Frank DeLoach, Frank Simmons, Dekle Banks, Jack Tillman, Lowell Akins, Belton Braswell, Arnold Anderson, Fred Boasley, Emory Bohler, Inman Foy, and Jack Wynn, University of Ga. Miss Dorothy Darden, New York School of Interior Decoration and others from Georgia Teachers College.

RHYTHM CLUB HAS DANCE

The regular Christmas dance of the Rhythm Club was held at the Woman's Club Wednesday night. The club room was beautifully decorated with the Christmas motif of green and red. Sponsors for the dance were Mr. and Mrs. George Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Kitchings, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Strauss, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hines, and Mr. and Mrs. Leodel Coleman. Lambuth Key and his orchestra furnished the music for the evening. An intermission, cherry pie, topped with ice cream and coffee was served. Sixty couples attended the dance.



To one and all go our sincerest and best wishes for this Yuletide season. Happiness, good health, good cheer and the merriest of Christmases to everyone.

CHARLES E. CONE REALTY CO., INC. and BENSON INS AGENCY



GREETINGS!

Music and song and happiness everywhere! Lighted windows, green trees brilliant with glowing bulbs, all contributing to the grand sum total of Christmas.

It's fine to celebrate Christmas again this season of 1946, fine to have finished another year in this community of happy homes and friendly people.

To Each and All We Wish A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

ROCKER APPLIANCE CO.
ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING SALES & SERVICE
Phone 570 — 37 West Main St. STATESBORO, GEORGIA



Holiday Greetings WITH OUR BEST WISHES
To one and all go our heartiest wishes for the happiest Yuletide ever. May good cheer and good health be yours for all of 1947.

FAVORITE SHOE STORE
19 West Main St. Statesboro, Ga.



PHIL BEAN
Plumbing & Electrical Contractor



JOYOUS YULETIDE
Here's wishing that the light of the season's cheer will glow through all you do, adding greatly to your Christmas happiness.

GRIMES JEWELRY COMPANY
Statesboro, Georgia



One need not be told it is Christmastime. The glowing faces of friend and stranger alike bespeak it. It gives us the same thrill as of old to wish all our friends, and those who are still to become our friends, a very Merry Christmas.

MCCLELLAN'S STORES COMPANY
George W. Turner
Statesboro, Georgia

Family Christmas Held in Germany

Christmas is a family affair in Germany and preparations began well in advance of the holiday. The Advent Wreath is hung on the first Sunday in Advent. This large wreath has one red candle to begin with; an additional candle is added each Sunday until Christmas and paper stars are added daily. The stars are inscribed with Bible passages which are memorized by the children of the household.



Everyone occupies precious moments making gifts for loved ones; perhaps a soap rose, a paperweight, toys for the younger children, an embroidered handkerchief or table cover; there are dozens of cookies and special cakes to be baked and everything must be finished the day before Christmas—stores and restaurants are closed, too—so that servants and tradespeople may spend Christmas Eve with their families.

After church services on Christmas Eve, one of the family goes into the parlor—where the Christmas tree has been set up and decorated with ornaments treasured from year to year. At the first notes of "O Tannenbaum," the whole family rushes in and gathers around the tree; several familiar carols are sung, and then the presents are distributed.

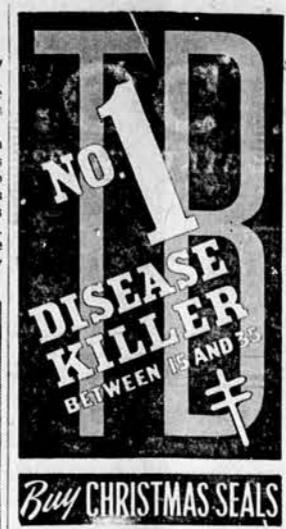
Sometimes Christmann—Father Christmas—joins the festivities and asks each child to say a verse; correct recitations are awarded by Christmann from pockets bulging with goodies and trinkets.

Fun at Dingley
When they were all tired of blind-man's bluff, there was a great game at snap-dragons, and when presents were burned with that, and all the raisins gone, they sat down by the huge fire of blazing logs to a substantial supper and a mighty bowl of wassail, something smaller than an ordinary wash-house copper, in which the hot apples were hissing and bubbling with a rich look, and a jolly sound that were perfectly irresistible.



"This," said Mr. Pickwick, looking round him, "this is indeed comfort."
"Our invariable custom," said Mr. Wardle, "Everybody sits down with us on Christmas Eve, as you see them now—servants and all; and here we wait till the clock strikes twelve to usher Christmas in, and while away the time with forfeits and old stories. Trundle by, rake up the fire."
Up flew the bright sparks myriads as the logs were stirred, and the deep, red blaze sent forth a rich glow that penetrated into the farthest corner of the room and cast its cheerful tint on every face.
"Come," said Wardle, "a song—a Christmas song, give you one in default of a better."
"Bravo!" cried Wardle. "It will be two hours gone before you see the bottom of the bowl through the deep rich colour of the wassail; all up all round, and now the song."
From Charles Dickens' "Pickwick Papers."

Smash the Pinata South of Border
Smashing the Pinata is a red-hot feature of Mexican Christmas festivities. An earthen jar is filled with nuts, candies and small gifts. Elaborately disguised and decorated with tissue paper, etc., it often represents a doll's face or an entire figure—perhaps a bull fighter.
Children of the household, blindfolded and armed with a club, are each given three chances to break the Pinata. Inasmuch as the basic earthen jar has been selected because of its fragility, it shatters easily, thus causing a shower of goodies and trinkets and causing everyone in the party to scramble for a share.



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The snowman will fade as the weather warms, and too soon we forget the joys of Christmas and its mellowing effect upon our lives. It is our hope that this Christmas of 1946 will bring you many a blessing in the weeks and months ahead.

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Old Fashioned Christmas Greetings 1946



For us oldsters, it is memory that makes up Christmas—memories of the old days when grandma managed the Christmas feast, and friends dropped in for a chat.

We are happy to say that among our most treasured memories are the many Christmas celebrations we have seen come and go, and the friends we have kept with us during all the years. A Merry Christmas to all of you!

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• Right now it's time to lay aside business cares and all that is complicated and get down to simple things. A little boy on the floor under the Christmas tree watching his electric train whizz past, the happy faces of little girls singing Christmas carols, boys coasting down the hill.

Let's catch that spirit! Merry Christmas to you, and you, and you!

STATESBORO PROVISION COMPANY
Statesboro, Georgia

Wise Men Patron Saints of Travelers

The Three Kings of Cologne have become patron saints of travelers, and very appropriately, too, since the Wise Men traveled considerably even after their death.

Biblically we know very little about the Wise Men. Church tradition, based on the three specifically mentioned gifts, has established three Wise Men and identified them as Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar; the Kings of Tarsus, Arabia and Ethiopia, respectively.

Legend advances that on their way to Bethlehem, the Magi met at Ur and St. Matthew states that having adored the Christ Child, they departed into their own country by a different route. Whether each returned to his own country or whether all three journeyed into one country are matters for conjecture. Legend continues that they were baptized, distributed their wealth among the poor, and went about preaching the doctrine of peace and repentance; all three seem to have suffered martyrdom in India at the same time.

In the fourth century Empress Helena, mother of Constantine, arranged for the transfer of their bodies to Constantinople.

When the Greek Emperor was overpowered by the first crusade in 1096, the holy remains were sent to Milan where they were enshrined until the latter part of the 12th century when Frederick Barbarossa ordered their removal to Cologne.

The Archbishop of Cologne adorned the relics with precious jewels and enshrined them within the Cologne Cathedral; in time, anything which touched the skulls of the Three Kings was considered as a charm against accidents, hence, the Wise Men became popular patron saints of travelers.

Candles Originally Were Symbols of Light and Joy



Since the beginning of time man has sought to prolong the day and dispel the terrors of darkness with wicks, torches, beacons, etc.

According to St. Jerome, candles are used by the Church not so much as a means of dispelling or conquering darkness, but rather as an expression of Christian joy.

Peace, Good-Will

The time draws near the birth of Christ:

The moon is hid; the night is still;

The Christmas bells from hill to hill

Answer each other in the mist.

Four voices of four hamlets round,

From far and near, on mead and moor,

Swell out and fall, as if a door

Were at between me and the sound.

Each voice four changes on the wind,

That now dilate, and now decrease,

Peace and good-will, good-will and peace,

Peace and good-will, to all mankind.

Tennyson.

Jews Celebrate the Festival of Lights

To the Orthodox Jews, the Christmas period was the "Festival of Lights," called Hanukkah or Chanukah. Jewish history relates that in 163 B. C. a large force of Maccabees met and vanquished an army of Syrians.

Judas Maccabees entered Jerusalem with his army and found it a place of desolation. He began the work of purification and on the 25th day of Kislev it was finished and a sacred light was lit.

In their destruction of the temple the sacred oil was practically exhausted, but they did find a jar which they judged would burn one day. It lasted eight days, therefore each year the Jews decree that the eight days previous to December 25 be celebrated.

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NEW YEAR'S AGAIN!

With its noisy celebration, laughter and light-heartedness, its moments of thoughtful retrospect and purpose.

Enjoy the holiday. Accept our thanks for past favors and our good wishes for... A Happy New Year.

To All Our Friends

HAPPY NEW YEAR 1947



GOOD LUCK TO YOU!

- ★ Old days
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- ★ Old friends

For could lang syne we bring you this cheery New Year message.

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To test your Christmas spirit and knowledge, the following questions are given. You should answer best of them in order to pass.

1. Who wrote "The Night Before Christmas"?
2. What story contains the following: "a miserly old man"?
3. Where is a Christmas island?
4. Who wrote "White Christmas"?
5. In what country was mistletoe first worn around the neck to prevent sickness?
6. What does the Saxon word "hael" or "he in health" mean in connection with a Christmas custom?
7. An old Christmas superstition starts "A warm Christmas means . . ." How does it end?
8. Who is Quetzalcoatl?
9. What plant, a thorny one, traditionally blooms only at Christmas time?
10. Until her death what song did Mme. Schumann-Heink always sing on Christmas Eve?
11. What is the literal meaning of "Christmas"?
12. What are the remains of Good St. Nicholas of Myra buried?

Answers

1. Dr. Clement C. Moore.
2. Dickens' "A Christmas Carol."
3. In Indian ocean, southwest of Java.
4. Irving Berlin.
5. Sweden.
6. Wassail.
7. A cold Easter.
8. The Aztec Indian god, half bird, half snake, who took the place of Santa Claus in Mexico in 1809.
9. Christmas cactus.
10. "Silent Night."
11. Mass of Christ.
12. The remains were stolen in 1007 by merchants and re-interred at Bari.

A Volunteer Santa Speaks His Heart

"I know what it is to be a disappointed kid on Christmas morning—

"I always wanted a boat, but my folks were poor and I never got one—that's why I became Santa Claus, I guess."



Volunteers of America worker plays hostess to some of the organization's Santas.

"Working for the Volunteers of America, I've played Santa to thousands of youngsters during the last 10 years. I read a lot of minds, too, during the depression when people plodded past my cardboard chimney; folks are happy now and the carols, that gave them a far-away look while war almost blotted out the Christmas Spirit, make them smile and drop coins in the chimney.

"It's fun to have a part in the happy Christmases of so many youngsters. Most of those that I see come downtown with their mothers, and I try to get a nod of approval before I make any definite promises—kinda make sure the kids won't be disappointed.

"Just the same, I can't help thinking about the kids I never see who want dolls, 'ed dishes, drums and sleds, picture books, stoves, trains . . . and boats; what a lot of helpers Santa needs to see that all these things get to the right places at the right time!

"Wish we could be sure there will be no broken hearts this Christmas."

Real St. Nicholas Of 4th Century

St. Nicholas is popularly associated with Christmas and gift-giving presumably because once during his mortal existence he reportedly endowed three dowryless maidens with three purses of gold.

Historically—as the Archbishop of Myra, Nicholas was a member of the council of Nicea. In 325 A. D. Constantine the Great called together the theologians of the Christian world in the first ecumenical general council of the entire Christian church.

The council assembled near Constantinople, and presided over by the still unbaptized Constantine, proclaimed the first exact definition of Christian teaching—as embodied in the Nicene Creed—and marks the beginning of Christianity as it is understood today.



Salute to our Friends at Christmas

Ho! Ho! for Christmas!

Merrily, merrily, jolly good friends, and a grand and glorious holiday to you all!

L. E. TYSON



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS and thanks

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Christmas JOY TO ALL

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1946 GREETINGS from St. Nicholas

Have you ever thought of Christmas as a birthday party—a birthday party that goes all over the world at once? That is why Christmas is so joyous! Everybody is a participant in this big, grand, worldwide party, with Santa Claus the host!

And here we are, on the Eve of Christmas, sending you our very best wishes for a joyous time at this great Birthday Party.

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SEASON'S GREETINGS

Be glad that it's Christmas because of the pleasure you derive in giving—and the delight you feel in receiving gifts that tingle with the spirit of this great holiday season.

Be glad that it's Christmas because holly and evergreen, mistletoe and candlelight make a cheering sight—and greeting cards are a joy to collect! Here is our message to add to your collection— "Merry Christmas!"

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The story behind Christmas is one that has given the Yule holiday force and direction for over a thousand years. Hearts are made over on this day.

It gives us great pleasure during this holy season to extend our best Christmas wishes to all our friends.

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BEST NEW YEAR WISHES

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Romans Started Christmas Boxes

Boxing day has been a day of gifts to public servants since Roman times. It originated as a pagan custom, for the Romans observed the rite during their winter feast of Saturnalia. Later, when the people became Christians, the gifts were handed during Mass to the priests, who placed them into boxes. The feast was then known as Christ's Mass and the boxes as Christmas boxes, not to be opened except by being broken.



All manner of tradesmen soon realized that the idea was a good one, and it became a common practice for apprentices and others to take a box round to their business acquaintances, singing carols the while.

By the time Pepys wrote his famous diary, Christmas boxes were well established, and he mentions them several times in his writings. Swift also has a word to say about them in his "Journal to Stella," written in 1710; "By the Lord Harry, I shall be undone here with Christmas boxes."

One public servant, the "bellman," who enjoyed the privilege of soliciting Christmas boxes, was in some respects the forerunner of the postman, often being commissioned to deliver letters. At the approach of Christmas he would push poems of his own composition under the doors of townsmen whom he had served. They were reminders that recognition was expected on Boxing Day.

Many Are the Legends of Ancient Yule Log Customs

Old books and legends surround the Yule Log with much mystery and superstition.

Thus, it must be touched and lighted with scrupulously clean hands: certain types of persons—such as squinting or flatfooted—are unwelcome while it is burning and, should the fire go out during the night, bad luck is portended for the New Year.

Less superstitiously, Tyroleans decorate their Log with paper flowers and bright ribbons. Wine is poured over it by the youngest child of the household who offers a prayer that the fire may warm the cold, the hungry obtain food, the weary find rest, and all may enjoy heaven's blessing and peace.

Southern Customs Have Remained at Christmas

Negro families of Virginia have their own traditional method of gift-giving.

On Christmas Eve a large sheet is spread over the dining room table with a box placed here and there to raise the sheet above table level. Each member of the household writes his name on a slip of paper and pins it to the sheet.



Gifts are sneaked in during the night and placed under the names of the persons for whom they are intended: even the youngest children forbear to "snoop" until the morning and removal of the sheet reveals all the presents.

Years ago, eggnog was served while breakfast was being prepared—such a breakfast that no one paid much attention to Christmas dinner. When friends dropped in, everyone had something to eat so that families just sort of "pleeced" all day.

Favored Ash Yule Log
The Yule log, which used to be part of every home on Christmas, was nearly always an ash log, because the legend avers that it was before an ash fire that the Holy Babe was first washed and dressed by his mother.

Welcome, New Year

WELCOME to you, New Year, enter newborn king—
Can you tell us something of the tidings that you bring?
Do you carry happiness?
Enough to last the year?
Do you sing a song of joy?
To cast out doubt and fear?
Perhaps a balm for heartaches?
You being along with you?
Perhaps a key to friendships?
To buoy us all year through.
We bid you welcome, New Year—our dreams we trust with you,
Forgetting ill of all the past, we start the book anew.



Gregorian Calendar Was Slow in Adoption

Great Britain and her colonies adopted the Gregorian calendar in 1752; the Julian calendar having become 11 days slow by that time, parliament ordered that the day following September 3, 1752, would be September 14, and that the legal year should begin on January 1.

The Gregorian calendar is, in effect, a revision edition of the old Roman calendar. The ancient Roman year began with the month of March and ended with December, the 10th month. January and February were added in the course of time and the celebration of New Year's on January 1 began in 452 B. C.

Continental Europe had universally adopted the Gregorian calendar by 1700 but Great Britain, frowning upon anything originating in Rome as Popsish, continued the use of the old calendar—with its legal year beginning on March 25—until the confusion arising from using a different calendar than the one used by continental Europe prompted the adoption of the Gregorian calendar in 1752.

Children's Day New Year's in Bulgaria

Bulgarian children receive small gifts on Christmas Day from Grandpa Koleka—an ancient winter god—but New Year's Day is really the children's holiday.



Dressed in their newest and best clothes, the youngsters bear gifts to their elders: they receive presents and small sums of money in return. In rural communities the older children visit neighbors, switching the householder with cornel rods, they wish him a happy and prosperous New Year. The word "surva" is repeated frequently—the visitors expecting to be served with goodies—but if the supply is exhausted, the situation is accepted with characteristic good humor.

The holiday season climaxes on Epiphany. The orthodox priest leads a procession to the river and, commemorating Christ's baptism, tosses a cross into the water: sometimes the ice has to be broken, but youths dive for the cross unhesitatingly—the retriever supposedly receiving a special blessing.

First Watch Night Service Held by Pioneers in 1770

In addition to the more or less hilarious secular celebrations on New Year's Eve, many religious denominations hold special "watch-night" services from nine or ten to twelve o'clock.

The custom was inaugurated by St. George Methodist Episcopal church in Philadelphia, where the first "watch-night" service was held in 1770.

Saint Sylvester's Feast Day Marks End of Year

The feast of St. Sylvester, who was Pope from 314 A. D. until his death in 335, is observed by the Roman and Anglican churches on December 31.

In Germany and Belgium the morning of St. Sylvester's Day is commemorated religiously, while the afternoon and evening are devoted to various kinds of horseplay in anticipation of the coming New Year.

LETTER & Christmas

"WONDERFUL weather for Christmas!" Timothy Rowan thought as he tramped home through the snow with an armful of mail from the post office.

But he was apprehensive, for in the bundle was a letter from Caroline, his daughter. Why, he kept asking, would Caroline be writing now, the day before Christmas, unless to tell her parents that she wouldn't be home for the holidays?

Noisily he stamped the snow from his overshoes on the back porch, then walked into the kitchen which was savory with the odor of his wife Rachel's Christmas cooking. Then, as Rachel approached the bundle of letters he had placed on the table, Timothy found himself shrinking from the room, fearful of how Rachel would take the news.

No Caroline for Christmas! Why, never once in her 24 years had Caroline been away. But, then, she was building her own life in the city, now—new friends, new interests. And spending the holidays with two old parents was probably pretty dull.

But how would Rachel take it? If only someone, anyone, would spend Christmas with them to relieve the loneliness! Well, how about young Tom Wakefield, with whom Caroline had once been in love, a fine young chap who didn't have a home, and who probably would miss Caroline this Christmas as much as he and Rachel would?

A few minutes later Timothy was tramping downtown through the snow again, and into Tom Wakefield's garage.

"Merry Christmas, Tom!" he shouted, walking into the small office.

"Same to you, Mr. Stone!" cried Tom. "What can I do for you?"

"Well, Tom," Timothy began, "you can make a couple of old people pretty happy if you'll come to dinner with us tomorrow. You see—I don't expect Caroline will be coming and, well, it would be nice if you'd join us."

"Gosh, thanks Mr. Stone!" Tom answered. He turned red, then pale. "I'll be there!"

Back home, Timothy was reprimanded. "Well, Mr. Stone, where have you been, leaving me all alone with this news about Caroline?" Rachel's eyes sparkled.

"I know, darling," Timothy said, "it's too bad she can't be here for Christmas, but I've asked Tom Wakefield to join us. It'll be kind of nice having him, remembering how he and Caroline used to be so close. You know, I think that boy is still in love with her—"



Timothy found himself shrinking from the room.

Mrs. Stone smiled. "Well, we'd better get busy, since company's coming. Fix a fire in the hearth, will you?" And as Timothy went off on his errand, her eyes followed him, smiling.

The Stone household was a busy place Christmas morning. While Timothy tended his stock and poultry, Rachel fixed the turkey, set the table and then went upstairs to dress. And shortly after noon Tom Wakefield arrived, handsome young Tom, and the three of them sat down in the living room before the fire for a short visit before dinner.

Then an automobile horn blared out front, and Timothy ran to the window.

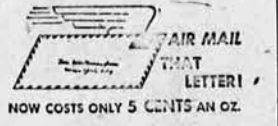
"It's Caroline!" he shouted, beside himself. "Rachel, come quick! She must have come in on the noon train!"

Then she burst into the room, lovely Caroline, laughing merrily, tossing her bags on the floor and running to her parents.

Suddenly she saw Tom, standing white and tense beside the fireplace, and momentarily her mouth fell open with surprise.

"Oh, Tom!" she cried. "You here, too? This makes it perfect!" And she ran to his arms, while Rachel drew her puzzled husband into the kitchen.

"You may be a pretty smart man, Timothy," she explained quietly as she lifted the turkey from the oven, "but we fooled you that time! You just assumed, because Caroline wrote the day before Christmas, that she wasn't coming home. What she said in the letter was that she was tired of the city and was coming back to stay."



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ON Christmas Eve, Nancy hurried breathlessly into her rooming house. Surely the package from home would be there! But Mrs. Groggins, the ugly little landlady, shook her head.

"Nothing," she said. "The mailman went right by this afternoon."

Up in her room Nancy spent a lonesome Christmas Eve. She read awhile to forget her hunger, then went to bed. Next morning it was the destitute Mrs. Wilson who awakened her.

"Merry Christmas, Miss Bell!" she shouted, walking into the room uninvited. Nancy was irritated, momentarily, by this highly painted, shallow creature. But she quickly regained her composure. It was Christmas, after all!

"It was swell of you, dearie, to pay Mrs. Groggins a week's rent in advance last night," Mrs. Wilson said, settling herself into the most comfortable chair. "I don't know what would have happened, because I'm caught a bit short just now and couldn't pay!"



Nancy thought fast.

Nancy said it was all right, that she had been glad to do it, but then she felt hungry and remembered there had been no dinner—and now no breakfast. All because of Mrs. Wilson!

"I was just about to drop out for a bite to eat," her visitor explained, "and seeing you're all alone, I thought you might like to come along."

Nancy remembered the lone 25-cent piece in her purse. "Thank you so kindly, Mrs. Wilson," she answered quickly. "But I'm—I'm not feeling so well this morning. I'll just have a cup of coffee in my room!"

About noon she dressed, for Jim was calling for her at one o'clock. What a ravenous appetite she would have!

But one o'clock passed, and no Jim. Nor at 2 or 3, and Nancy's spirits began to give way. Had he, too, chosen to punish her on Christmas?

Downstairs she heard Mr. and Mrs. Groggins welcoming their guests for the day, and she took a vicarious pleasure from it. She heard the dinner bell, the clatter of dishes as they dined, and the shuffling of chairs as the well-fed guests retired to the living room. By that time it was five o'clock and Nancy sat by her window, figuratively biting her fingernails. She was almost hysterical with fear, and she began to worry.

At six o'clock she put on her coat and dashed down the stairs, headed she knew not where. Perhaps to find Jim, perhaps merely to escape her room. She reached the entrance, turned the knob and pulled open the door—and there was Jim, just arriving!

Tearfully she threw herself into his arms, shivering from fright. "Oh, Jim!" she cried. "Where have you been?"

"But didn't you get my message?" he asked. "I had to work in the laboratory this afternoon, and telephoned Mrs. Groggins at 12:30!" His brow was furrowed.

Just then there was a voice behind them. "Miss Bell!" It was Mrs. Groggins. "A message for you. It came just before dinner, but then our guests arrived and I didn't get around to bringing it up."

Nancy took the slip from her hand, wiping away a tear. She heard Jim cursing.

"Let's get out of here, honey," he said, quietly.

A short time later they were dining by candlelight while a string ensemble played soft Christmas music in the background. Jim looked up from his coffee and smiled, then reached into his pocket.

"There was a big package on your desk at the office," he said. "It came today. From your folks, I guess. Too big to carry with me, but maybe this will take its place."

He reached for her left hand, then for the second finger, and at its tip he poised a diamond ring. Then he looked at her, asking assent.

"Yes, darling," she said softly. "It's the merriest Christmas ever!"