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Editorial

The Message Comes Through Crowd Noises

That small, faint voice you may have heard above the racket of the cash registers during the Christmas shopping rush was that of an infant hoping to be noticed amid the hurrying crowds.

Most people, if they listened, recognized the voice as that of the Christ Child, the Savior. His birth, His mission on earth, is what Christmas is all about.

For many years others — of different religious persuasion or lesser persuasion, or no persuasion — the voice may have had a different source.

But it was and is present nonetheless, and the message it speaks is the same for all men.

It is a message that echoes across the ages each year at this season — a message of hope, of belief in the essential worth of mankind, a rebounding faith that despite all the sorrow men visit upon themselves they are learning little by little how to live in peace with one another.

It is a message that has been relayed from one disillusioned, frustrated, yet hopeful, generation to another, and will go on being relayed until the allotted time for man on this planet runs out.

Man today has quite a bit to say about how long or short that time will be. For in this century he has discovered the power that can either reduce civilization to savagery, if not wipe it out altogether, or elevate it to heights undreamed of.

Yet it is not that power that needs controlling. It is man himself, just as it has always been.

That is why the Christmas message is as live and pertinent and hope-renewing today as it was when it was first heard, years ago.

There CAN be peace on earth, if men will but have good will. There ARE tidings of great joy, if men will but unplug their ears of the noise and confusion they surround themselves with.

We will listen, for a time. For a brief moment, we will believe. Then we will forget. We will carefully store away the precious, perishable joy of the holiday and again put on the tired old cynicism and selfishness of the everyday world.

We will forget Christmas — until another year, when its unending message comes ringing back again, as new and fresh and real as ever.



FOR UNTO YOU IS BORN THIS DAY A SAVIOUR
THE BIRTH OF Jesus Christ in a lowly stable still inspires hearts as it has inspired artists and musicians through out the centuries. This beautiful masterpiece depicting the Holy Family is from the permanent collection of the Ringling Museum of Art, Sarasota, and was painted by Gaudenzio Ferrari, Italian artist (1490-1546).



AWAY IN A MANGER

ENGLISH Estates Elementary School presented a delightful musical program, with grades 1-5, directed by Toni Shaheen, music teacher, and Nancy McNamara. Highlight was fifth grade chorus of 60 voices. Shown in a manger scene from left, Mike Gagliano, Jackie Walker, Eduardo Gamboa and Molly Browne.

(Herald Photo by Elda Nichols)

'Uncertain' Christian World Preparing To Celebrate Birth

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Christians today prepared to celebrate Christmas as best they can despite shortages of gasoline, heating oil and electricity, an uncertain economic outlook and the threat of terrorist attacks in some areas.

In Bethlehem, the little town where Christmas began with the birth of Jesus some 2,000 years ago, merchants prepared for the annual influx of pilgrims for midnight mass in the Church of the Nativity.

But the general prediction was for fewer than last year's poor turnout of 5,000 because of the October war and the Palestinian terrorist attack in Rome and Athens last week.

"This is the worst Christmas in years," said one busy souvenir shop owner. "We sometimes get more tourists in midsummer."

From Tokyo to Paris and Berlin shoppers scurried to complete their last minute shopping with stores generally reporting increased sales despite the past year's inflation.

Some store managers in Europe and the United States noted, however, that expensive items were not selling as well as usual.

For Americans and most Europeans it was a dimmer holiday because of the oil shortage. The Christmas tree at Rockefeller Center in New York had fewer lights this year and the giant tree in front of the city hall in Copenhagen had no lights.

Pope Paul VI was breaking tradition by celebrating Christmas Eve midnight mass before thousands in St. Peter's Basilica. For the past 26 years the rapid Christmas Eve mass was held in the Sistine Chapel for diplomats accredited to the Holy See.



By John A. Spolski

Cheap Gas, Plenty Of It On Santa's Wishing List

By JEAN PATTISON
Herald Staff Writer

More gasoline — cheaper gasoline — gasoline, period. That is what Sanford area residents would like Santa to leave in their Christmas stockings tonight.

"What would I like in my Christmas stocking? Just a little gasoline," was the wish of

Orville Gibbs. "More gas," said young Gary Townsend without hesitation. "More energy," replied his cousin James Ligon. Junior Bole also thought a big gasoline coupon for the nation would be the right Christmas gift — "at 30 cents a gallon," he stipulated.

And if Santa has a couple of trustworthy politicians stashed

away in his bag, several persons felt they would be the kind of gift the nation needs. "What would I like Santa to leave in my stocking? A few days vacation to spend with my family would be nice," commented Jewel Stegner, "and a little more honesty in our government. I'm sure honesty at all levels would lead to the ultimate goal of peace in the world."

"Santa could bring a more honest government," said R. D. Kent.

Cathy Appel echoed the wish of housewives across the nation with her comment: "I'd like to find a great big beef roast in my Christmas stocking."

And from Bill Rivero: "I'd like Santa to bring the gifts of happiness, health and peace."



GARY TOWNSEND
...More gas



CATHY APPEL
...A great big beef roast



JEWEL STEGNER
...More honesty at all levels



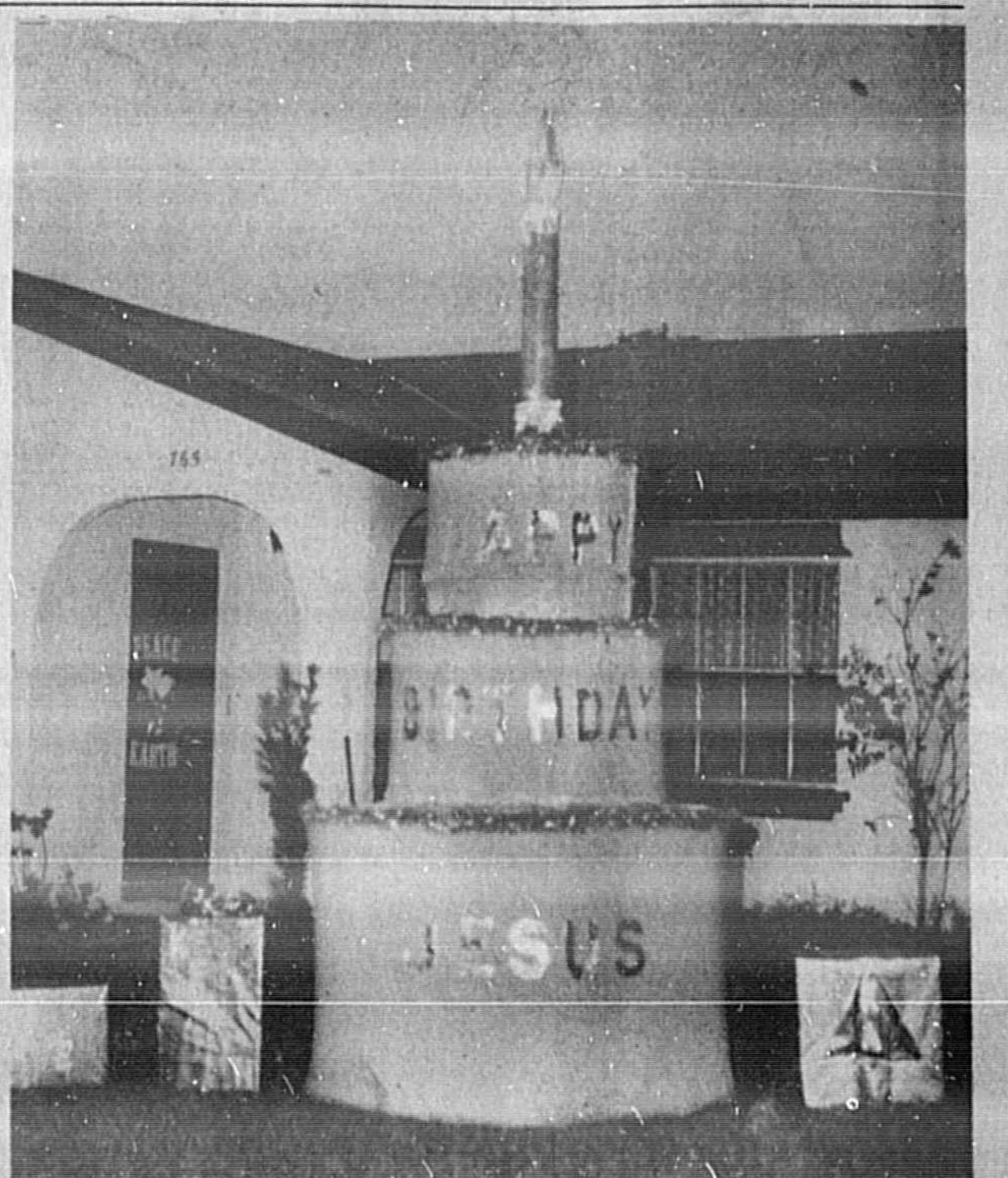
ORVILLE GIBBS
...A little gasoline

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The Herald will not be published Christmas Day so that employees can spend the holiday with their families. Publication will resume Wednesday, Dec. 25.

The entire staff wishes for you, our readers, a joyous and safe Christmas.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JESUS!
THIS heavenly confection created by the Keith Bovard family of Oviedo decorates the yard of their home on the corner of Fields Street and Richfield Boulevard.

(Herald Photo by Liz Mathieux)

2 Charged In Trooper's Death

CRYSTAL RIVER, Fla. (AP) — Instead of settling into a new home with his wife and 2-year-old daughter this Christmas Eve, Florida Highway Patrolman Ronald Smith will be buried, the victim of a gunman. Smith, 23, was killed Sunday while checking a car on a lonely dirt road near this small Central Gulf Coast town, Patrol Capt. S.L. Clements said. Smith had been planning to drive to his former home in Tallahassee after getting off

Meals For Aged Assured; Federal Funds Released

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — A program that will help 150,000 senior citizens has been assured by the holiday-season release of some \$7.1 million in federal funds, says Gov. Reubin Askew. The state is providing \$900,000 and local governments are expected to kick in about \$2 million to put the program, designed to help the aged without robbing them of their dignity, into operation, Askew said recently. The money will help pay for such things as hot meals and housekeeping for oldersters who may have lost some of their ability to care for themselves. Some state officials had been

concerned that the deadline for grant applications would pass before Florida could submit its program. Those fears proved to be groundless. "We beat the deadline by 30 days," said Rex Newman, information officer of the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services. "We have now committed the maximum amount of funds available." He said state officials are working out the fine points of the program and should be able to announce details, such as specific grants to local programs, by the middle of this week.

The witnesses said Smith was first shot in the throat, then shot several more times as he fell. Sonner is an escapee from a community treatment center of the Oklahoma penal system, troopers said. He escaped in November after serving less than half of a three-year sentence on auto theft charges. shooting started, Clements said. Jones was wounded in a brief exchange of gunfire with the hunters, Ralph Morris and Richard Starling, both of the Crystal River area. "Smith woke one man up and got him out of the car," Clements said. "But when he tried to wake up the other, he came up shooting." Sonner and Jones were apprehended almost immediately by two hunters who emerged from a nearby woods just as the



DAV PRESENTS CHECK

SENIOR Vice Commander Samuel Martin presents check from Seminole Chapter Disabled American Veterans to Lt. James Burns for the Salvation Army. (Herald Photo by Bill Vincent Jr.)

TIM MORGAN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Morgan, Sanford, received his Eagle Scout award at Grace United Methodist Church in Sunday morning ceremonies conducted by District Scoutmaster Russell Ritter (right) of Troop 507. (Herald Staff Photo)

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Animal Control Officer Also A Dog Show Judge

By MARK WEINTEZ
Herald Staff Writer

It isn't every town that claims a licensed 51-year-old dog show judge as its animal control officer, but Sanford does. Ralph Willis, who has been judging canine shows around the world for 15 years, has for the past seven weeks been chasing "critters," ranging from a runaway pony to a vagabond alligator. Willis, who took the job just seven weeks ago after retiring from his pet shop business (he said after he sold the shop he wanted something to do) says his biggest job is not just catching stray animals, but finding homes for them before he has to kill them.

"Finding homes for the dogs will become more difficult after the new leash law, which requires me to pick up all loose dogs, becomes effective Jan. 1," Willis said. The city pound, where Willis houses all stray and unclaimed dogs, is now approaching "no vacancy" with 12 canine tenants. People have 10 days to claim their dogs at the pound. "If they go unclaimed or unadopted for longer than 10 days, then they are put to sleep," Willis said in a sad tone, adding, "I often become quite attached to the dogs." Willis also is fond of his own pets—a parrot, a tank of tropical fish and a boxer, the intrepid parrot a rare Amazon breed with a 50-word vocabulary. The dogs at the pound talk to Willis too. "Although the dogs don't speak words, an array of utterances are an efficient expression of hunger and loneliness," he says. When Willis walks back to the kennel the dogs know a friend is coming, and they all compete for his attention. As soon as he lets one dog out of a cage, there is an immediate protest for equal time by the other tenants. The pound has been undergoing repairs since Willis became animal control officer. He has been making new cage doors, repairing the fence and fixing whatever else needs it. The present pound can hold 18 dogs, but Willis said a new facility is being planned. "The new pound also will allow me to keep the dogs for longer than 10 days before I have to put them to sleep," Willis said. People interested in adopting a dog or cat only have to pay a fee of \$1.50 for each pet is in the kennel to cover expenses," Willis said. The kennel is currently the home for seven puppies which Willis described as "cute as the dickens. I hate to see them put to sleep...they would make such nice pets or Christmas presents," Willis said. Willis operates out of the Sanford Police station and complimented the police for "excellent cooperation and lots of help." Sanford Police Chief Ben Butler praised Willis saying, "Boy, he sure knows his job and he keeps a set of records that can't wait." Records are important, especially in cases involving potentially rabid animals. Willis said it takes 14 days for someone to incubate. If a dog bites a rabbit, the dog must be

MARCH OF DIMES

MISS FLORIDA PLEDGES SUPPORT

MISS ELLEN Meade will be assisting the Central Florida March of Dimes Chapter in their annual drive for 1974. Seminole County School Superintendent William Laver is the county chairman for the March of Dimes.

Sanford's Leash Law Becomes Law, January

The leash law ordinance that requires any dog or cat running loose, to be picked up becomes effective Jan. 1, in Sanford. All unleashed dogs and cats will be picked up and impounded at the city animal shelter, regardless of whether or not the pets are licensed. The ordinance states the owner of the animal, if known, will be notified of the seizure. If the pet is licensed the owner will have to pay a \$3 per day fee. If the pet is not licensed the owner will have to pay an additional \$5 charge. The ordinance states that all dogs or cats not claimed may be put to death on the seventh working day following the seizure.

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Florida News Briefs

Fishermen Jailed

MIAMI (AP) — Two men are jailed in the British-controlled Turks Islands pending trial on lobster-poaching charges after being arrested by island officials who fatally wounded a companion, according to the U.S. Coast Guard. "Apparently they were a little too close to the island," a Coast Guard spokesman said of the Friday night incident. The Turks are located southeast of the Bahamas. Manuel Torres, owner of the Miami-based commercial fishing boat, Sea Hawk, said Sunday that Nibaldo Games, 51, was shot when the boat was fired on by a patrol boat. Games, a Cuban refugee living in Miami, died Sunday morning in a Turks medical facility.

13 Die In Holiday Traffic

Weekend traffic accidents claimed at least 13 lives in the state (W.) the Florida Highway Patrol predicting 22 persons will be killed before the long Christmas holiday period ends at midnight Tuesday. Those who have died since the death

Auto Insurance Proof Required

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Beginning Jan. 1, motorists must show proof of liability insurance when they have their cars inspected. That provision is just one of the new laws which go into effect on New Year's Day. William McGee, assistant director of consumer services in the State Insurance Department, said insurance companies were mailing out identification cards that motorists can use to prove that they have proper insurance. A driver must show that he has at least the minimum liability insurance of \$10,000-\$20,000-\$5,000 and that his policy is properly underwritten for the state's no-fault law.

Another new state law gives a tenant the right not to pay rent to a landlord who fails to provide reasonable living quarters. "This is a total reversal of the landlord-tenant relationship in Florida for 144 years, since the constitution was adopted," said Deputy Atty. Gen. Barry Richard. In the past, if a tenant did not pay his rent the landlord could evict him. Under one provision of the law, if the landlord takes the tenant to court to collect the rent or for eviction proceedings, the tenant may pay the rent to the court while the case is being settled. A section requiring tenants to keep clean the areas where they live and to use utilities in a reasonable way went into effect with other tenant-landlord guidelines last July 1. Under a third new measure truckers will be required to cover their vehicles or load them in such a way that nothing can spill out. Gravel and garbage trucks are the main targets of the law. A permanent registration list will be established under a fourth new law for all elections in a county so voters will not have to register once at the county courthouse for some elections and again at city hall for municipal contests. Another of the new laws gives the State Revenue Department more control over procedures in county assessors' offices.

Pupils Get Gift Help

With the help of the Parent Teacher Association, Sanford Grammar School students went on a shopping spree. PTA members worked hard making, collecting and purchasing gifts to match gift lists submitted by the pupils as to how many brothers, sisters and parents for which they would need presents. The object of the project was not to make a profit—they are lucky they may come out even—but to provide a variety of inexpensive gifts for the children to choose from for their Christmas giving. No gift was over a dollar. Volunteers assisted the children in making their selections and wrapping the gifts. It is difficult for small children to cope with adult size stores and crowds of Christmas shoppers so the project proved a blessing to children as well as parents.



SANTA'S REINDEER WERE ON HAND, TOO. SOUTHIDE Elementary School first graders in Mrs. Elnora H. James' class had a visit from Santa Claus Wednesday. Left to right, Ida Heaps, Terry Schenck, Santa, Kelvin Abney, Principal Norma Ragsdale, and Cassandra Buie. (Herald Photo by Bill Vincent Jr.)



CHEERING UP PATIENTS. LAKEVIEW Nursing Home patients were entertained with Christmas carols sung by women and children of Church of God of Prophecy of Sanford. (Herald Photo by Bill Vincent Jr.)

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- Kelley R. Wilson, Longwood
Sondra L. Grace, Orange City
- Births**
Mr. and Mrs. Norbort (Mary) Kolashinski a girl, Deltona
Mr. & Mrs. Peter (Paula) Torina a girl, Deltona
- Discharges**
Sanford: Sandra L. Glass, Sylvia D. White
- Harry Wheeler
Stephen H. Walker
Howard K. Driver
Mrs. Willie (Deborah) Williams and boy
Charles E. Bailey
Eileen Rader
Honor Ortega
Mary Pope
Marvin Staley
Christine Lyn Gold
Mrs. Walter (Judy) Dornon and girl
Lessie Bridges
- Aaron Capehart Jr.
Clarence J. Jones, DeBary
Betty M. Prescott, Casselberry
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Save Energy Maryland Cooks The Meal

From now on into the New Year it's parties, parties all the way. If you are dreading the long hours over a hot stove preparing food for your family and holiday guests, stop worrying about it.



MARYLAND MAKES HOLIDAYS MERRY...John Gasa and Kathleen Donaldson

Japanese Habits Different This Yule

TOKYO (AP) — Japan went on its usual holiday shopping binge this year, but with a difference. A sense of economic foreboding added simple necessities such as soap and sugar to shopping lists.

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Other Thoughts

The decision by President Nixon to move from his isolated position on executive confidentiality to one of more frankness on Watergate should please Americans of all persuasions.

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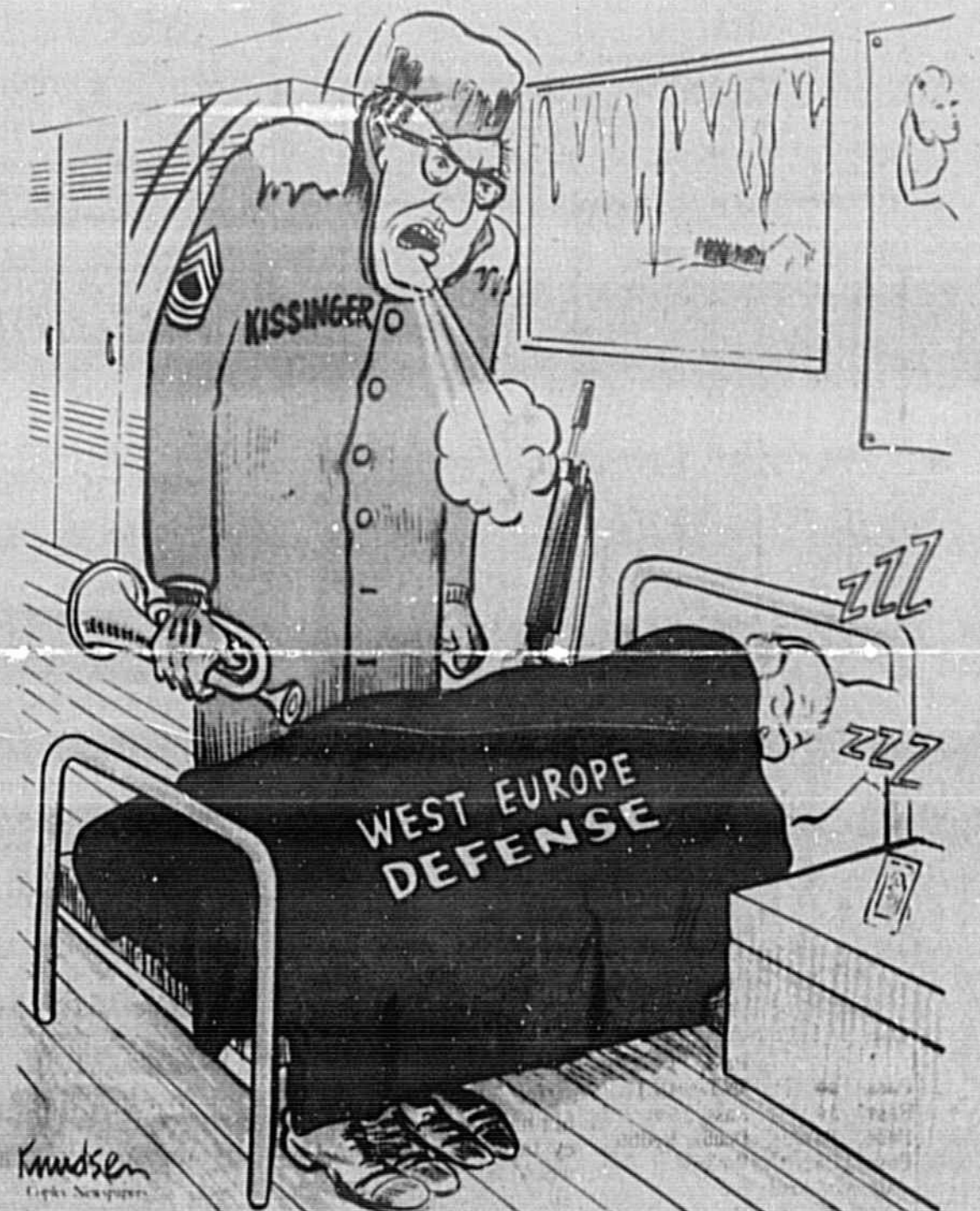
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Russia Isn't Congress Is Settling For Peace

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Letters To The Editor Krider Says His Day Wonderful

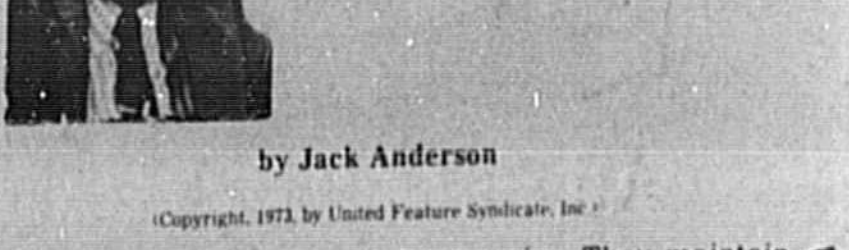
Editor, Herald: I am taking this method of thinking all those wonderful Sanford folks that gave the magnificent tribute to me on the occasion of my retirement from the Greater Sanford Chamber of Commerce.

UF Thanks Editor, Herald: Would you please publish this letter on the "Letters to the Editor Page" as my public thanks? The successful United Fund of Seminole County campaign could not have been successful without the splendid cooperation from your people at The Sanford Herald.

Ray Cromley Dieting is not the only way to trim our waste President Nixon's energy experts are discovering some "unexcusably stupid" wastes of power.

WASHINGTON (NEA) Item - Because of the low price of fuel these past years it has been cheaper to permit a leak of energy than to modify or replace inefficient equipment.

Big Oil's Power



WASHINGTON - A growing number of congressmen believe that the reckless greed of the oil industry helped bring on the oil crisis. This has stirred talk of the cloakrooms of putting a government checkrein on Big Oil.

Seek To Curb Power Senators Phil Hart, D-Mich., and James Abourezk, R-S.D., are seeking to curb Big Oil's power by forcing the oil barons to break their hold on oil from the well to the gas pumps...

Other Companies The pattern is the same for Standard of California, Indiana and Shell, Continental, Sun, Union, Cities Service, Getty, Marathon, Amara Hess and Servco.

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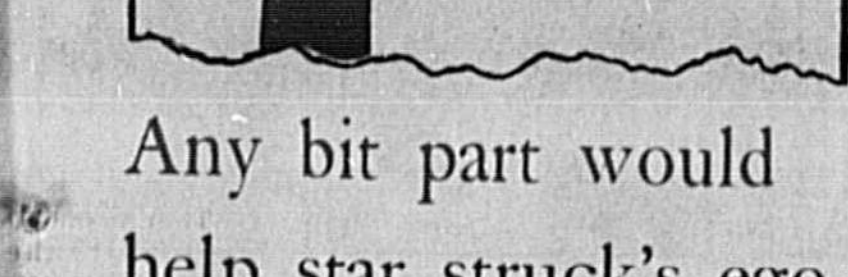
Worry Clinic Heed Aaron's query! For Christmas marks the launching of a new American life theological bomb-busting...

Bad News Editor, Herald: The following is a note my secretary wrote to me concerning one of my patients. If you publish this in the Herald, please do not use the patient's name.

Berry's World MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL! Jim Berry

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Dear Abby



Any bit part would help star struck's ego By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I hope you won't think I'm a monster, but here goes I am a 24-year-old woman with a 5-year-old son from my first husband, and a 1-year-old son from George...

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Bride-Elect Tracey Howell Guest Of Honor At Shower

Naomi Oglesby and Leona Monet were co-hostesses for a recent bridal shower honoring Miss Tracy Howell, bride-elect of Preston Oglesby, at the Church of God of Prophecy.

Garden Circles

ROSE CIRCLE Rose Circle of Sanford Garden Club met at the Garden Center for a business meeting on December 20th at the home of Mrs. F. T. Meriwether on Silver Lake.

WOMAN'S CLUB Hosts Monthly Card Party DELTONA - The November monthly dessert card party sponsored by the Deltona Woman's Club was well attended by approximately 100 persons.

WORKING WOMAN GEORGIA GREEN is a certified cosmetology instructor now managing the new David Lee Wig Salon in Downtown Sanford.

Letters To The Editor

Editor, Herald: I am taking this method of thinking all those wonderful Sanford folks that gave the magnificent tribute to me on the occasion of my retirement from the Greater Sanford Chamber of Commerce.

UF Thanks Editor, Herald: Would you please publish this letter on the "Letters to the Editor Page" as my public thanks?

BERRY'S WORLD MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL! Jim Berry

DEITY SACRIFICES Tersely stated, Christianity depicts God as a loving Father! Other religions invariably looked upon their gods as cruel dictators who even relished incinerating us puny mortals...

FUNNY BUSINESS MR. HERRICORD THE STUNNING EDITOR WILL SEE YOU NOW COME IN, MR. HERRICORD

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GENERAL TENDENCIES: This is your day to be sure you do nothing that can upset the position you have carefully organized and built up with individual for there are potential estrangements. Maintain peace and tranquility throughout the day.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Be sure not to criticize others or there could be serious arguments. Be grateful—it is the spirit that counts. Do civic duty well.

Taurus (Apr. 20 to May 20) You have a good day to study new aims that fascinate you, and you may find that you are more content with present set-up instead.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Make sure you keep promises you have made to others and not get sidetracked by new developments. Show your true devotion to close ties.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Show that you are poised in the face of unexpected emergencies that may arise today. Exp. affections in a tangible way.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) You may awake unenthusiast for the day's activities, but rightful thinking can change this. See as many good friends and associates as you can, want to have a VIKING (Aug. 22 to Sept. 19) You are and thoughtful one. Show a cooperative spirit toward others.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Control your temper at home and show more thoughtfulness for everyone and then this becomes a most delightful and happy day.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Not a good day for being too extravagant or putting on airs that you may regret later. Take time to make your surroundings neater.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Make plans for adding to your present abundance today and you will then know how to proceed intelligently. Think of your relatives.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) You may awake feeling tired, but if you meditate you soon turn this into a feeling of happiness. A spirit of kindness is important.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) You are in the mood to make radical changes, but it's better to count your blessings instead. Assist a good friend who is in trouble.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Avoid an older individual who is in an irate mood and could spoil this fine day for you. Make this a day for better understanding with all.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she will be one of those overly active young people who should have the energies channeled in the right direction where real progress can be made. Send to the right schools and be sure to direct the education along lines that include trouble-shooting work. Teach to be diplomatic and tactful.

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GENERAL TENDENCIES: You have an opportunity to put effect your aptitudes and talents. But don't try to be too forceful in gaining the progress you desire. Make a point to tone down your demanding attitude. Show appreciation for others.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Making plans for the future requires a combination of the financial and the creative. Put family matters ahead of all others now.

Taurus (Apr. 20 to May 20) Go to right sources for the data needed to put new ideas across. Listen carefully to advice of an associate. Make future plans.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) It is wise to go over your financial status so you know what should be done as the new year approaches. Show more devotion to mate.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Let close ties know what it is you desire of them and cement better relations for the future. Follow your intuition now.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Make certain you do your share of any work you have agreed to do with others. Take it easy tonight and restore your energies.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 19) You can enjoy recreation today provided you keep poised and calm despite any pressures that may suddenly arise. Relax tonight.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) A good day to make plans for a happier and more prosperous future. Exercise your authority in a diplomatic manner. Avoid arguments.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Care of those duties that were difficult to handle because of the holiday season. A good time to think of future expansion.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Plan how to add to present abundance. Contact a business expert for data you need. Sidestep one who has an eye on your assets.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Study your appearance well and make sure you use right methods to make yourself more attractive. Extend invitation to a friend.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Forget the social and engage in the practical side of life. Consult with an expert and make long-range plans for the future.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Contact social leaders who can give you good advice regarding your share and aims. Make sure you control your temper at all times today.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she will want to feel secure and will work toward such ends in a most skillful fashion. Be sure to direct the education along lines of building, banking, or whatever is of a constructive nature. Give the right kind of spiritual training early in life. Make sure the diet is right and sports are enjoyed.

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POLLY'S POINTERS

Communion dress shows its age

By Polly Cramer

DEAR POLLY — I have just moved into my own home and was given boxes of childhood treasures that my parents had saved for me. Included is my first Holy Communion dress of nylon that is now extremely gray. Is there any way to restore this dress to its original whiteness? — MRS. J.B.

DEAR POLLY — My Pet Peeve is with the pattern companies who do not make patterns for shirts, dresses and blouses that button down the front in sizes one to three. This would make dressing small ones so much easier. — DOLores.

DEAR POLLY — Ethel might try my method for washing her 85-year-old treasured quilt. Fill the bathtub at least half full of barely lukewarm water and add cold water soap and then the quilt. Let it soak a while and then use a suction cup plunger to VERY GENTLY stomp the quilt all over. Turn frequently by placing the hands under it and turning it. It will be quite heavy with all the water in it so do not put any extra stress on the delicate stitching except by placing hands underneath it. Rinse with clear water several times and just let the water run down the drain. Let quilt lay as it is and squeeze only by pressing quilt against the tub. Never wring. Before washing quilt carefully for broken stitches and repair with as small stitches as possible before washing. — MRS. E.A.J.

DEAR POLLY — We all know there is a certain amount of chance in laundering any very old article. Past exposure to sun, previous care and fabric used and so on can affect the final outcome. There is always the danger of colors "running" so the water temperature must be carefully checked and a corner tested first.

After careful washing and pressing out as much water as possible hang on a line, or preferably two lines a foot or so apart, that have first been covered with a sheet. Hang evenly with sides and corners matched and do not use clothespins. Never grab drippings ends and twist water out of clotheslines. Never hang between two bath towels. Never hang in the sunshine. A breezy day is best so the drying process is as quick as possible. Remember much of the ultimate success will be dependent on the condition of the quilt and the washing method. Never wash more than one quilt at a time. — POLLY.

DEAR POLLY — When making meat sandwiches I put two slices in each sandwich and put the mustard, mayonnaise or whatever between the two slices of meat and this assures my family of sandwiches that do not have soggy bread. — MARY.

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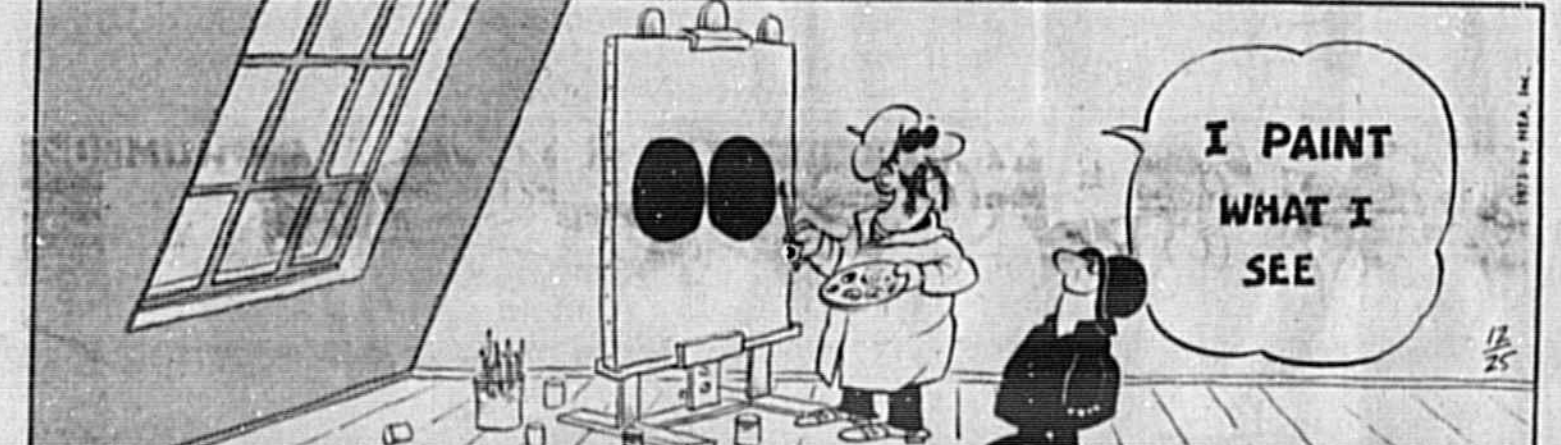
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Highlights

8-10 PBS SPECIAL OF THE WEEK "Messiah" A beautiful version of Handel's classic, performed by the Arion Musical Club of Milwaukee. The performance comes from the Holy Hill Church in Hubertus, Wis.

9-9:30 CBS HERE'S LUCY (RERUN) One of show business's best-known husband-wife teams, Steve Lawrence and Eydie Gorme, get caught in Lucy's tentacles tonight. They play themselves in a story concerning a domestic row they have.

9-11 NBC "MY SWEET CHARLIE" (RERUN) A fine production which won many awards after its original telecasting in 1970. Patty Duke added an Emmy Award to her Oscar for her performance as the Southern, bigoted girl who hides out with a northern black man (Al Freeman Jr.). Marvelously performed, Miss Duke plays a pregnant girl turned out by her parents, who encounters Freeman, a northern lawyer trying to elude police who want him on a trumped-up charge.

TV Time Previews

11:30-midnight NBC THE "Hit!" "THE FLESH" "BLOOD" "SHOW"

9-11 ABC "A DREAM FOR CHRISTMAS" A very touching story about a black minister (played by Hari Rhodes in an all-black cast) who takes his family across the country to a California he's been offered in New Palm. After a grueling trip with his wife and four children in their battered, old car, they arrive, only to learn the church and its congregation are to be displaced by a shopping center.

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 (9) Mike Douglas Show
 (2) Phil Donahue Show
 (9) Movie
 (9) Concentration
 (2) Dinah's Place
 (6) The Joker's Wild
 (2) Battle
 (6) The \$10,000 Pyramid
 (4) Furry Friends
 11:00 (2) Wizard Of Odds
 (6) Gambit
 (9) Password
 (4) Revelations
 11:30 (2) Hollywood Squares
 (4) Love Of Life
 (9) Password
 (44) Trouble With Trash
 11:55 (4) News
AFTERNOON
 12:00 (2) Jeopardy
 (6) Secret Storm
 (9) News
 (44) Variety News
 12:30 (2) News
 (4) Search For Tomorrow
 (9) Split Second
 (13) Who, What, Where Game
 (9) News
 (13) I Love Lucy
 (4) News
 (9) All My Children
 (13) Young And Restless
 (44) Movie
 1:30 (2) Three On A Couch
 (6) As The World Turns
 (2) Drama Special Days Of Our Lives
 (6) The Guiding Light
 (9) News
 (44) Night Gallery
 (13) Starcast
 (13) Lot's Luck
 (24) Special
 (44) Bold Ones
 8:30 (13) Diana
 9:00 (2) Movie
 (6) Here's Lucy
 (9) Movie
 (13) Movie
 (44) Movie
 9:30 (4) Dick Van Dyke
 (24) The Medical Center
 (44) Washington Talk
 10:30 (4) Book Beat
 11:00 (2) News
 (6) Central Florida Christmas
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TUESDAY

7:00 (2) To Tell The Truth
 (6) Hogan's Heroes
 (9) Lucy Show
 (13) News
 (24) Show White
 (13) Women's News
 (44) New Zoo Revue
 8:00 (2) Chase
 (9) Temperature's Rising
 (24) Men Who Made Movies
 (44) Bold Ones
 8:30 (4) Hawaii Five-O
 (9) Movies
 (2) The Magician
 (24) Special
 (44) Movie
 (9) Hawkins
 10:00 (2) Police Story
 (9) Marcus Welby
 (13) Washington Debates
 11:00 (2) News
 (9) News
 (13) Starcast
 (44) Night Gallery
 (2) Tonight Show
 (9) Movie
 (9) Wide World Of Entertainment
 (13) Movie
 (44) Tomorrow Show
 (9) Movie
 (9) News
 (13) Peter Gunn
 (44) Hogan's Heroes

WEDNESDAY

6:00 (2) Sunshine
 Almanac
 (9) Sunrise Jubilee
 (44) Sunbath
 Almanac
 6:30 (2) The Flying Nun
 (44) Summer Semester
 7:00 (2) Today
 (44) CBS Morning News
 (9) Boto's Big Top

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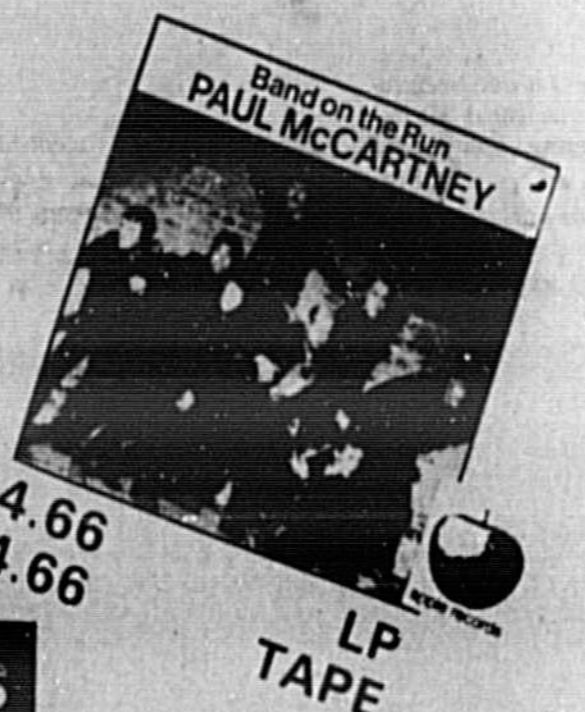
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National News Briefs

Rembrandt's Found

CINCINNATI, Ohio (AP) — Police are questioning 10 young persons after two stolen Rembrandts were recovered along with more than half of \$100,000 ransom paid for one of the paintings. Police indicated charges would be filed today against some of the 10, all under 25 years of age. The group includes two women. Police said more \$50,000 of the ransom was recovered near the exchange site at Foster, Ohio. The two paintings by the 17th century Dutch master were stolen Tuesday from Cincinnati's Taft Museum by two men who tied up a watchman. Museum officials valued each painting at \$1 million and one of them suffered minor damage.

Skylab Christmas

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Skylab 3's astronauts have planned some surprise Christmas Eve festivities from their orbital home after a Christmas Day space walk to view the comet Kohoutek. Gerald P. Carr, William R. Pogue and Edward G. Gibson were mum about their plans. They said only that they will beam a television show to mission control in the evening. The astronauts are in the 39th day of their planned 84-day flight.

Israeli Support Up

PRINCETON, N.J. (AP) — The Gallup Poll says 54 per cent of those surveyed sympathize with the Israelis in the current Middle East troubles, up seven per cent from an early October poll. The polling organization also said only eight per cent of the 1,514 adults questioned Dec. 7-10 indicated their sympathies lay with the Arabs. Awareness of the Arab-Israeli conflict has grown steadily since the war started Oct. 6. An Oct. 6-8 poll showed 88 per cent had heard or read of the Mideast troubles. An Oct. 19-22 survey put the figure at 92 per cent and the latest poll listed it at 97 per cent.

POW's Special Joy

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — For Air Force Col. Dwight Sullivan this Christmas is special, his first at home since he was freed from a North Vietnamese prison camp after 6 1/2 years. "I always felt when I was over there, that my first Christmas at home would be the best Christmas ever. And it's turning out that way," said Sullivan, who was released early this year. "Of course, I've gone a little overboard on buying gifts for this year. I guess I'm making up for those six Christmases I missed."

12-Days Cost Hike

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Want to buy your true love a partridge in a pear tree and the accompanying French hens, heaping lords and maids, smilking for the "Twelve Days of Christmas?" Be prepared to pay at least \$12,402. The Christmas gift list that some gallant Englishman prepared for his lady love back in the 1700s has been hit by inflation. For example, five golden rings, according to Tiffany's of San Francisco, sell at \$150 apiece — totaling \$750. And seven swans swimming range from \$200 to \$350 apiece, which would bring the total to at least \$1,400 just for those birds.

Voluntary Fuel Saving

WASHINGTON (AP) — The emphasis will be on voluntary fuel-saving measures until Congress returns from a just-begun, month-long holiday recess. The House and Senate adjourned without taking final action on the emergency energy act sought by President Nixon, but Nixon expressed confidence the nation "can get on with the job" without the legislation for now.

Hazards Check Asked

WASHINGTON (AP) — American industry should be working to spot hazardous defects in products before they are placed on sale, said Chairman Richard O. Simpson of the Consumer Product Safety Commission. Simpson said the commission, created only seven months ago, already has supervised the recall of nearly 5 million individual products for potential safety problems.

World News Briefs

More Rockets Kill Three

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia (AP) — The Khmer Rouge fired three rockets into the heart of Phnom Penh at dawn Sunday and another five today. The rockets Sunday killed three persons and wounded three and were the first to hit inside the city in five months. Four of the rockets Monday were duds, the fifth landed in a field, and nobody was hurt. The Cambodian command also reported intense fighting at two points on the east bank of the Mekong River, Prek Tameak and Prek Krabau, 14 and seven miles northeast of Phnom Penh.

Cause Of Crash Sought

TANGIER, Morocco (AP) — Belgian and Moroccan officials are trying to find out what caused a Belgian airliner to crash while approaching Tangier airport, killing all 106 persons aboard. The Caravelle jetliner slammed into a mountain about 20 miles from the airport during a blinding rainstorm Saturday night. The plane was chartered by the Moroccan national airline. Royal Air Maroc, from Sobelair, the charter subsidiary of Sabena, the Belgian airline. Air Maroc said 65 of the 99 passengers were Moroccans, many of them students returning home for the holidays, and the other 34 were mostly Belgian or French.

Cease Fire Is Proposed

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — Thailand said today it will propose a one-month cease-fire to allow Communist insurgents to surrender to the government. The Defense Ministry also proposed the dissolution of the Communist Suppression Operations Command. Thailand has been fighting Communist terrorists since 1949. The anti-Communist agency has estimated there are about 4,000 hard-core Communist terrorists operating inside the country.



LIVING NATIVITY SCENE

THE YOUTH of Grace United Methodist Church will present their living Nativity scene tonight from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. on the church lawn, Airport Boulevard at Woodland Drive. Featuring live animals and Christmas music in stereo, the display depicting the birth of the

Prince of Peace is presented each year at the church. The public is invited to a Christmas Eve communion service at 7 p.m. The service will conclude with a candlelight procession to the Nativity scene and congregational singing of traditional Christmas hymns and carols.

Oil Price Hike Blow To Japan, West Europe

"End Of A Dream" Night A Boy Became Man

LONDON (AP) — The economies of Western Europe and Japan are in for more hard blows as a result of another big rise in the price of oil by the Persian Gulf producers. And government sources in Caracas and Venezuela, which supplies more than 10 per cent of the oil processed in the United States, will raise the tax reference price on its crude oil to \$5.11 a barrel to \$11.65. The posted price is an artificial price set by the producing companies as the basis for calculation of the taxes and royalties paid them by the Western companies that produce or market their oil. The price of \$5.11 was set in October. The posted price last January was only \$2.59 a barrel. The six Persian Gulf producers — Iran, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Abu Dhabi and Qatar — announced Sunday after a two-day meeting in Tehran that effective Jan. 1 they would increase the taxes and royalties they collect on the oil produced from their fields from \$3.06 a barrel to \$7, an increase of 128 per cent. They did this by increasing

By DAVE BRYANT
Managing Editor

Memories of profound events during a person's life have a way of leaping from one's subconscious, depending upon the season, place, or company. One memory which seems to be a common denominator among most of us is the day we first learned for real (confirmation of those nasty suspicions) that there was indeed no Santa Claus. It came for me on Christmas Eve in 1949. My two brothers and I had been tucked in for the night by Mom and Dad amidst the trappings of ribbons, bows and assorted remnants of our gift-wrapping presents for Mom and Dad. As usual, we were sternerly warned by Dad to get right to sleep, or we would scare away

Santa's reindeer from our roof, and our Christmas would be pretty bleak. Naturally, as we lay in our beds, whispering that this would be the year one of us snatched a glimpse of the jolly little fat man and his reindeer, we lapsed one by one into that deep blissful sleep that comes to children only on the night before Christmas. Suddenly, I woke up. My brothers were still soundly sleeping. I remember being so terrified at being awake, and possibly scaring away Santa Claus, that I scarcely breathed. I made the slightest noise. Then, as my lungs gently and assertedly reminded me that Santa or no Santa, it would be a good thing to again breathe. I heard it — my Dad coming and going from his car into our living room. As my terror subsided (I

remembered that Santa was nowhere near if Dad was making all of that racket) I crept from our bedroom to the stairs and peeped down into the living room. There, whispering, giggling and fumbling with several disassembled bicycles and tricycles and stacks of toys and clothes, sat my parents and my aunt and uncle. Softly, without making any noise, I crept halfway down the stairs to better hear what they were saying and better see what they were doing. I only took several moments, for me to realize what Tommy Campbell, my big friend in the second grade, said was true: there was no Santa Claus. My parents and uncle and aunt suddenly stopped what they were doing. Dad had spotted me. "Son," he said, "do you think you can give us a hand outting

these things together for the little kids?" Quietly, torn between not wanting to forsake my previously unshakable belief in Santa and my admittance into a tiny part of the grownup world, I descended the rest of the stairs, squeezing between mom and Dad, and helped. Later, after my aunt and uncle went home with the assembled toys for their children's Christmas tree, I took my second trip that night up the stairs to bed. Dad, who walked me up, thanked me for helping him, and asked that I get up before the little kids in the morning "to help put the finishing touches" to the gifts. Christmas changed for me that night, but somehow, rather than suffering what could have been a devastating encounter with reality, it turned into a healthy ritual in our family — my helping prepare Christmas for the "little kids."

Officials Want A Great 1974

By DONNA ESTES
Herald Staff Writer

The spirit of Christmas prevails today in Seminole's officialdom as Santa Claus' arrival tonight is awaited in hope and expectancy for a great new year. "I hope Santa brings Seminole more energy and less crisis," County Commissioner Greg Drummond, celebrating with his family, said. Lake Mary's Mayor-elect Margie Hess wants a year of cooperation and happiness for all the citizens and officials with both working for Lake Mary. "We want a good year, a good mayor and success for the city," Councilman Helen Keyser of Altamonte Springs said. "This is all I want along with continued good health." Mrs. Keyser will be observing the holiday with her husband, children and grandchildren. Irwin Hunter, Winter Springs' new councilman, swears into office two weeks ago, looks for "a spirit of cooperation. More than anything this is needed in our city. And citizens participation will be welcomed as well," he said. Casselberry Councilman

John Zacco, fresh from his victory in last week's runoff election wants to "see all the councilmen working as a unit for the city and its citizens. We hope to get a lot accomplished," he said. Longwood Councilman E. E. Williamson, Seminole's dean of municipal officials, wishes for himself a return to good health and for the city government and

the people "harmony and prosperity." "My wish is for Mr. Williamson's health to improve so that he can accomplish all the things he wants for Longwood," Councilman-elect June Lormann said. "And I hope for a good working council to benefit the people and the city," she added.

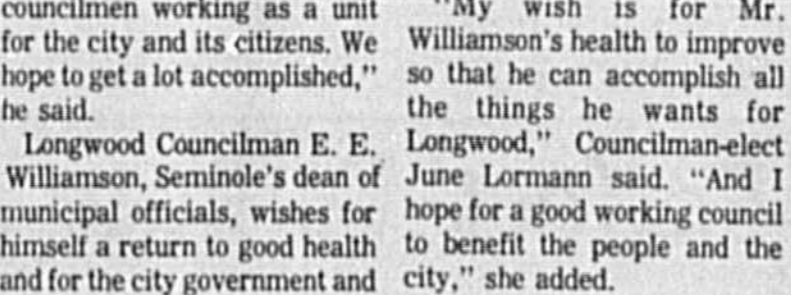
Area Deaths

B. F. McWHORTER

B. F. McWhorter, 81, of 304 W. 24th St., Sanford died today at his residence. Born in Greensboro, Ga., he came to Sanford in 1934. He was a retired citrus grower and member of First Baptist Church of Sanford, where he was a deacon emeritus. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Estelle McWhorter, Sanford; three sons, Carl A. and James L. McWhorter both of Sanford and Doyle F. McWhorter, Bartow; two daughters, Mrs. Doris Jones and Mrs. Elsie Mero, both of Sanford; two brothers, John R. McWhorter, Umatilla and Ray L. McWhorter, Eustis; three sisters, Mrs. L. M. Lomax, Leesburg; Mrs. H. E. Davis, Astor Park; and Mrs. A. D. Bergine, Immokalee; 13 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren. Brison Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Funeral Notices

McWHORTER, B. F. — Funeral services for B. F. McWhorter, 81, of 304 W. 24th St., who died today, will be held Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at First Baptist Church with Rev. J. Ted Comata officiating. Burial in Oaklawn Memorial Park. Brison Funeral Home in charge.



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The story is told of the great Dutch artist who was commissioned to paint the portrait of a famous man of his country. After weeks of work the artist completed the painting. It was beautifully executed. Wonderful in detail — vibrant in color. In the foreground of the picture the artist had painted some tulips. The flowers were so beautiful and colorful that those who viewed the painting never saw the portrait of the subject — they could not take their eyes beyond the tulips. Sometimes we all tend to major in minors. In doing so we place importance on trivial matters and failed to see the entire picture. It is difficult in many instances to see beyond the "tulips."

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FLORIDA FISTIC

By Lee Geiger

Future Fights

Some of the finest matches made in recent years have been signed and will be presented around the nation, early next year. As most people know, "Smoky" Joe Frazier will finally meet Muhammad Ali in their long awaited return bout. The fight, scheduled to take place in late January, on the 20th will be shown over closed circuit TV at the Orlando Sports Stadium.

Four And Holding Super Bowl Count Continues

By HAL BOCK
Associated Press Sports Writer

The National Football League Super Bowl countdown is at four and holding.

Minnesota and Dallas are still alive in the National Conference and Oakland and Miami are the American Conference survivors after the opening weekend of playoff games dominated by home teams.

Minnesota had the closest call, outlasting Washington 27-20 on a pair of fourth quarter touchdown passes from Fran Tarkenton to John Gilliam. Dallas will host the Vikings for the AFC championship game against defending Super Bowl champion Miami next Sunday. The Dolphins advanced by

walking Cincinnati 34-16. Vikings 27, Redskins 29. Minnesota managed only nine rushing yards in the first half and went into the dressing room trailing 7-3. That was when defensive end Carl Eller decided to shake things up. He made a little speech to his teammates, telling them to get out there and play football.

Raiders 21, Steelers 14
Blanda kicked field goals from 25, 31, 22 and 10 yards, putting points on the scoreboard every time the Raiders got him in range and insuring that there would be no opportunity for the kind of last-second heroics the Steelers used to eliminate Oakland from the playoffs a year ago.

Hutchinson, Rattie Win At Drags

By ROGER HODGES
Herald Correspondent

In Sunday drags at Central Florida Dragway, at Bithlo, Frank Hutchinson of Sanford, Gino Rattie of Casselberry, and Rommie Sinisio of Orlando were all winners in their classes with low ET of the meeting to Gary Walker of Cocoa.

Walker's 11.08 elapsed time run was a hairy one as he is still having handling problems with his new '73 Vega pro stocker drag racer. When he gets it all together he should be able to run well below the 10 second mark.

In group one, including all cars running 13.91 seconds ET or lower, Gino Rattie drove a beautiful blue '60 Ford coupe to a 13.10 run over John Russell of Orlando in a '70 Chevy two, both modified street machines.

Russell was awarded a trophy for good sportsmanship when he backed off his machine when he got loose about half-way down the strip on the trophy run. The award was made by track director Dave Youngman.

Group two, including all cars from 13.91 seconds ET to 16.00 seconds, as Hutchinson took his first trophy home in his 1965 Olds 442 with a low run of 14.59 seconds ET over another Seminole County driver, Grant Shutter of Longwood in a '74 Charger. Shutter has been a class winner once this month when he ran a 15.30 seconds ET run.

In group three consisting of all cars running 16.00 seconds ET or slower, Sinisio, driving a '69 Mustang, got the best of Ed Slater of Orlando, driving a Datsun, with a 17.40 seconds ET run.

Frank Deason driving a 1972-28 Camaro ran a 14.78 seconds ET run before being eliminated, Chris Lake driving a 1969 Camaro, ran into fuel pump troubles and could not get his car running right.

Harold Davidson driving a 1970 Mustang Boss 302 got his down to 14.70 seconds ET before losing. Craigie Rawls driving his 1972 Ford Chev. Chevella could only get his machine down to 15.23 seconds ET before being eliminated, and Roger Hodges a class winner last week broke a push rod and ran a 16.50 before retiring for the day.

All these Sanford drivers braved another gas-less Sunday to do what they enjoy the most, racing.

Youngman announced that from now on Central Florida Dragway will run meets on Saturday and Sunday with gates opening at 6 p.m. on Saturday and 12 p.m. on Sunday. Also, all of the bike riders should look forward to about Jan. 12, 1974 when the track hopes to run separate ET classes for them.

Youngman also reminds all drivers that they must use seat belts and all wheel chocks and modified street machines must have drivers with helmets or no racing.

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Even Surprises Wooden UCLA Rips Bonnies, 111-59

By ANDY LIPPMAN
Associated Press Sports Writer

Sometimes UCLA's basketball success stories even Bruin Coach John Wooden.

"I thought St. Bonaventure would be stronger than it was," said Wooden after the top-ranked Bruins captured their 81st straight victory by blasting the Bonnies 111-59 Saturday night.

"Perhaps," surprised Wooden, "they were amused by our strength."

The Bruins provided reason for awe, exploding for 20-2 and 13-3 scoring bursts in the first half, when they ran up a 63-20 lead.

In other games, second-ranked Maryland tripped Santa Clara 83-52, No. 7 Indiana survived a second-half scare to beat 15th-rated South Carolina 47-15, No. 8 Louisville defeated Bradley 64-52, No. 9 Providence trimmed DePaul 93-79 and No. 10 Alabama walked over Columbia 70-43.

Long Beach State, ranked 11th, whipped Indiana State 74-45, No. 12 Memphis State crushed Stanford 101-69, No. 14 Arizona stomped Texas Tech 86-64, No. 16 Southern California halled Ohio U. 80-48; Vanderbilt, rated 17th, beat Kansas State 63-57; No. 18 Syracuse upset the Boston College 110-83 and in the only other loss among top 20 teams, No. 19 Jacksonville was upset by St. John's, N.Y. 68-60.

Maryland chipped away at the Santa Clara defense to claim the championship of the Cable Car Classic in Oakland.

PRO GRID STANDINGS

By The Associated Press
NFL PLAYOFFS
American Conference
Sunday's Game
Minnesota 27, Washington 20
Sunday's Game
Dallas 27, Los Angeles 16
Sunday's Game
Oakland 31, Pittsburgh 14
Sunday's Game
Miami 24, Cincinnati 16
CHAMPIONSHIPS
Sunday, Dec. 31
NATIONAL CONFERENCE
Minnesota at Dallas 1 p.m.
American Conference
Oakland at Miami 4 p.m.

College Cage Scores

By The Associated Press
EAST
Ashland 66, Wooster 44
Furman 84, Ohio Northern 45
Virginia 81, Va. Union 70
Pitt 86, Army 34
Fairfield 77, Wm. & Mary 57
Drexel 80, Boston Col. 88
Indiana, Pa. 64, Lock Haven 60
Brown 102, Buffalo 84
WEST
Wisconsin 73, Wyo. Milwaukee 46
Louisville 74, Bradley 65
Virginia Tech 85, Florida 84
Virginia 81, Va. Union 70
Louisiana 81, Iowa 78
Merrill 91, Sam Houston 90
S. Methodist 97, Okla. City 80
Mississippi 80, Illinois 77

Sports Filters

LONGER WINGED FOOT
MARLBOROUGH, N.Y. (AP) — Winged Foot's West Course will measure 83 yards longer for the 1974 U.S. Open than it did for the 1959 Open when Billy Casper won. The course will be next June 13-16 will stretch 8,961 yards. Host pro Claude Harmon figures the course will play like a stroke tougher per round for 18 holes.

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"Perfect' To Beat Miami: Brown; Play 'Perfect' To Win: Shula

MIAMI (AP) — Cincinnati Coach Paul Brown shrugged off Sunday's 34-16 American Football Conference playoff loss to Miami by saying his Bengals would have had to play perfect ball to win.

"The Dolphins were talking in similar terms after the game about their AFC title needing here next Sunday against Oakland, one of only two teams to beat the defending Super Bowl champions this year.

"I watched Oakland on television and they looked awesome against Pittsburgh," said Coach Don Shula, Miami lost 12-21 last Sunday in the second game of the year on Four George Blanda field goals.

"It's going to be a hell of a battle next week," admitted light center Jim Mandich. He caught a seven-yard scoring pass in the third quarter to stretch Miami's lead over the Bengals from 7 to 12 points.

Wide receiver Ken Stabler was so hot against Pittsburgh, I don't know how you could stop

Miami outgained the Bengals

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Sanford Men's Cage Action

Fast, Furious Fun To Watch

CLEARING THE BOARDS
RICK GRANT tries to swipe a U.S. Bank rebound, but is a foot short of the mark, as Chase found nothing but frustration while fighting the Bankers for a Men's cage action win.

DRIVING TO THE ENEMY
FORMER Seminole High and Daytona Beach Junior College star Mike Bowes takes off on a two-point drive with another former SHS cage star Sydney Lloyd right on his heels. Such action is found at Sanford Middle School's Gymnasium Tuesday and Thursday night at 7:30.

Mid-Am Loop Earns More Respect Now

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Miami, the Oxford, Ohio, school which calls itself the "cradle of coaches," has sent four former coaches on to major college football powerhouses. The present head man, Bill Mallory, wants to take the Mid-American Conference up with him.

"Florida played a major power tonight," Mallory said Saturday after his 15th ranked and undefeated team overpowered the Gators, 16-7, in the frost-bitten Tangerine Bowl.

Florida Coach Doug Dickey said the formation surprised his team and kept it off balance.

"They made enough yardage to win and we made enough mistakes to lose," he also said.

Miami recovered three fumbles and intercepted four passes. Fumble recoveries set up Varner's touchdown and a 45-yard field goal by David Draudt, who kicked two other three-pointers.

For Actions During Jones' Tenure FSU Faces Possible Football Probation

PORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — Florida State faces possible probation or reprimand by the National Collegiate Athletic Association for rule infractions, according to the Port Lauderdale San-Sentinel.

The newspaper quoted Larry Jones as saying his decision to resign Friday as football coach was partly based on the NCAA's failure to exonerate FSU after probing the football program.

"I think we were clear with the exception of two areas," Jones said. "There were two boys, both a year away from graduation, who should have been taken before the scholarship committee."

"One boy was thrown out of a dormitory and I removed the other myself. I didn't take them before the committee because I knew their scholarships would be completely cut off. My intention was to help the boys."

"The letter of the NCAA, law, that I didn't have much time left to think about football."

"We were always preparing briefs for the NCAA or taking stands publicly. I just didn't have time to coach football."

The Seminoles lost all 10 starts this year.

Jones said he wasn't sure if he would have remained at the school if the NCAA had made a favorable ruling.

"I know it would have been much easier to restore confidence in the program," he added. "I resigned, though, because I felt it would be easier for people to accept a new person."

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Sanford Cage Actions

Girls League

KNIGHTS' 28 FURNITURE 23
Knights' Shoes beat Wilson Maier Furniture 28 to 23 in a close game for their third straight win of the season.

BIG DIP 5 PILLOW 29
In other action Big Dip creamed Hall Pillow Motors 44 to 23.

DEENA FLAMM TO WIN BY 5 POINTS
Scorers for Knight's Shoes were Flamm, 14 points; Ray, 8 points; Graham, 4 points; and Manter, 2 points.

DEEN'S 62 SANFORD ELECTRIC 88
Sanford Electric got into all kinds of foul trouble in this game which had them after the first quarter. Ned Stevens had 30 points for Dekke's Gulf, Bobby Meyer, 16, Kenneth Perry 15, Joe Labarnh eight, and Tom Ilove four. Leroy Kelly had seven for Sanford electric, and James Reddick one.

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Pro Cage Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE		WESTERN CONFERENCE		
Atlantic Division	W. L. Pct. G.B.	Central Division	W. L. Pct. G.B.	
Boston	16 6 .813	Buffalo	12 10 .545	
New York	20 15 .571	Quebec	16 16 .500	
Philadelphia	11 23 .324	Chicago	14 24 .369	
Central Division		West Division		
Capital	18 31 .367	Edmonton	19 16 .543	
Atlanta	16 17 .485	New York	17 14 .550	
Cleveland	15 23 .395	Minneapolis	18 15 .545	
Houston	11 25 .306	Winnipeg	17 17 .500	
Western Conference		Pacific Division		
Midwest Division	Winnipeg	17 17 .500	Los Angeles	13 20 .395
Milwaukee	27 7 .794	San Diego	13 22 .369	
Chicago	26 10 .722	San Jose	12 22 .353	
Cincinnati	21 14 .600	San Francisco	10 18 .357	
K.C. Omaha	12 25 .324	Seattle	14 28 .333	
Pacific Division		Saturday's Games		
Los Angeles	18 5 .786	Vancouver 8, Edmonton 7		
Golden State	15 15 .500	Chicago 4, Quebec 4		
Portland	13 20 .395	Winnipeg 6, Minnesota 0		
Phoenix	18 20 .475	Toronto 6, Winnipeg 3		
Seattle	14 28 .333	Monday's Games		
Saturday's Games		Tuesday's Games		
New York 99, Detroit 8	Cleveland 4, Minnesota 2	No games scheduled		
Cincinnati 10, Atlanta 8	Chicago 4, Toronto 3			
Capital 98, Houston 91	Jersey 6, Winnipeg 3			
Chicago 110, Golden State 8	Monday's Game			
Kansas City 104, Miami 72	Vancouver of New England			
Buffalo 103, Pittsburgh 10	afternoon			
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Pro Hockey

WHA		P.H. G.F. GA	
Edmonton	19 12 4 28 121 90	Washington	17 18 4 23 122 236
Toronto	16 12 4 26 102 110	Minnesota	16 16 4 26 102 110
Los Angeles	16 16 4 26 102 110	Philadelphia	16 16 4 26 102 110
San Jose	13 22 0 28 103 126	Los Angeles	13 22 0 28 103 126
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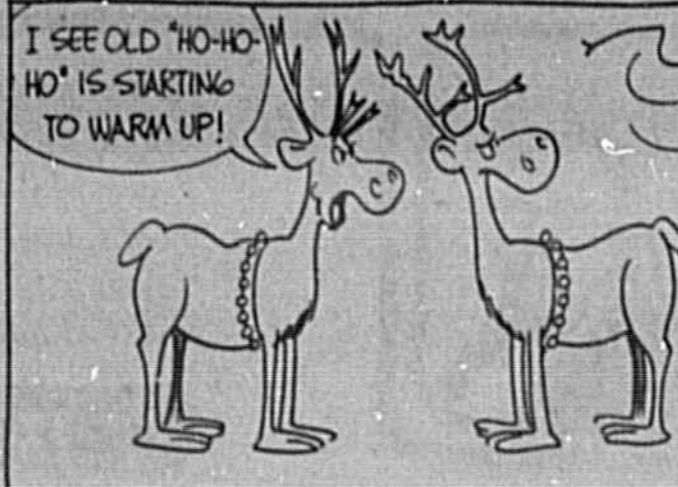
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Merry Christmas

Kings And Peasants Were Among Jesus' Ancestors

**By The Rev. W. LEE TRUMAN
Copley News Service**

This is the season of Christmas, when Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus. If you open your Bible to the beginning words in the New Testament, you will read a part of the Christmas story I have never heard in a service of worship. It is Jesus' genealogy, and its long list of names borrows most persons to tears.

But suppose your own name was on that list, or maybe the name of someone you knew appeared on that list. I was looking through some old genealogies a few weeks ago belonging to the fourteenth century. There were names there of four or five families who were known to me quite well. Do you think those tables were boring after that? This is how I was with the genealogy which said who this Jesus was. The Jews for whom it was written raced their eyes down that list. The names of their ancestors were there! You can see it for yourself in the family tree—the "book of the genealogies of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham." Matthew is compiling no blunder in style when he begins his story of the one called Jesus in this manner:

What do all these names mean? First, it means that Jesus was a Jew. Do not let anyone rationalize that fact away. It cannot be done. Jesus belonged to that portion of Jewry which returned from exile and probably became the Ashkenazim of Europe. "He who has produced Einstein, Trotsky, Freud and Marx. But that is not all. For the Christian Church it also means that when God became incarnate in this world, He did not assume human flesh in the abstract; He became part of a family, a family with a family tree, a family with a history. There are advantages in membership in such a family. But as glory can be inherited, so can dishonor. Being a member of a family cuts two ways.

When God entered into this world, He entered in such a fashion as to experience our problem—the family problem. The problem of illustrious relations; the problem of disgraced relations; the problem of the skeleton in the closet; the problem of inbreeding.

James Stalker, in his book "MADGO CHRISTI," tells the story of a stranger standing on the doorstep. The man is

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Diamonds, Eggs Make Great Rich Man's Gifts

By JACK WEBB
Copy News Service

You can buy your spouse a walk-in egg this year. Only \$80,000, courtesy of the Neiman-Marcus store in Dallas, Texas.

Or if that isn't to your liking, how about giving that special person in your life a \$250,000 bag of uncut diamonds? Or (at the other end of the scale) an \$8 set of worry beads?

These are among the glitter and goodies offered by the famous Dallas store this Christmas, which in past years has brought you:

- a \$655,000 Noah's ark
- a truckload of pink air
- his and her submarines
- his and her mummy cases (only \$16,000, guaran-

teed to be about 2,000 years old)

— and a "Freeway Fortress," a car-tank designed to make you feel safe on today's freeways, as well as brake (\$85,000 was the price, though Neiman-Marcus said you could have it for 10 per cent down and pay off the rest in 36 easy installments of \$4,192.49 per month).

Oshing and abhing over the Neiman-Marcus Christmas catalog has become an annual ritual in the United States. Even if you can't quite afford a Noah's ark or a car-tank, it's still nice to sit back and dream about "what if..."

What if you were rich enough to load down the freeway in a million-dollar car? What if you were rich enough to go to sea in Noah's ark, and

put fears of pollution and traffic jams behind you? What if...

"Since then we've tried to put a little humor in every catalog," said Mashek. "We've been pretty successful in selling these gifts too."

"For example, the year we offered Noah's ark (1970), we said it'd be a good gift for pessimists. Apparently people were more optimistic than we thought — they didn't buy a one."

"But we also offered a gift for optimists — a live oak tree. We sold a lot of those."

Neiman-Marcus' most successful gift ideas are in the "his and her" category. Over the years the store has sold his and her cars, submarines, mummy cases, jet-powered sailboats and Chinese junk.

Christmas GREETINGS

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MINIATURE CHRISTMAS TREE. John Rieck applies the final touches to one of his charming creations.

Christmas Is The Time To Figure Tax Savings

Copy News Service

December is not only the month for Christmas shopping — it's also the time to look for ways to save on your 1973 tax bill.

"There are some simple steps which, if taken before the end of the year, may result in substantial tax savings," observes W. Scane Bowler, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Pioneer Western Corporation, who adds that "the best place to start is with an estimate of 1973 income, compared with 1972's total and a projection for 1974."

Pioneer Western is a national financial services organization.

"One of the first steps to take in effective tax planning is to be doubly sure that all payments made for dependents meet existing support tests — a taxpayer must provide more than 50 per cent of an individual's support in order to claim an exemption. Further, there are some payments that do not count as support — life insurance premiums and income taxes, for example."

"Then, take a look at your investment program. There may be some stocks or bonds that should be sold to take full advantage of capital gains or losses regulations. Keep in mind that gains made on

stock sales after December 31, 1973, are not taxable until 1974. But, losses on sales up to the last trading day of the year are deductible," Bowler emphasizes.

"When considering available deductions, don't waste any, he warns. If, for example, there is an unsettled doctor or dentist bill, it can be paid in 1973 or deferred until early 1974, depending on the taxpayer's adjusted gross income and other medical expenses.

"Only those medical expenses in excess of 3 per cent of adjusted gross income are deductible. If 1973 doctors' bills have been low and there

is nothing to be gained by paying an unsettled bill this year, defer payment until 1974.

"And, just as deferring the payment of an expense can sometimes be advantageous, the shifting of income can often result in a tax saving. If, for instance, a taxpayer is to receive a 1973 year-end bonus, it might be to his advantage to have his employer delay that bonus until early 1974 — depending on the individual situation," Bowler points out.

Businessmen, he adds, should also consider the possible tax advantage of accelerating the purchase of depreciable assets, such as machinery or office equipment.

The Friendly Beasts

Jesus, our Brother, strong and good,
Was humbly born in a stable rude.
And the friendly beasts around him stood,
Jesus, our Brother, strong and good.

"I," said the donkey, shaggy and brown,
"I carried his mother up hill and down,
I carried her safely to Bethlehem town."
"I," said the donkey, shaggy and brown.

"I," said the cow, all white and red,
"I gave him my manger for his bed,
I gave him my hay to pillow his head,
"I," said the cow, all white and red.

"I," said the sheep with curly horn,
"I gave him my wool to keep him warm,
I gave him my wool on Christmas morn,
"I," said the sheep with curly horn.

A Christmas Carol by ROBERT DAVIS
from ENCYCLOPEDIA OF BIBLE LIFE —
by The Millers, published by Harper & Row

NATIVITY SCENE. Group of cookies with colorful frosting decoration by Mae Gerhard.

Photo courtesy of Museum of Contemporary Crafts of The American Crafts Council

Christmas Cookery: Old and New Traditions In the Baker's Art

The first Christmas trees, which originated in Germany, were decorated with apples, symbolizing Adam's fall, and round wafers, representing the Sacred Host, which signified redemption.

Later, the apples and wafers were replaced by Christmas cookies, which became more and more elaborate through the years.

Fancy Christmas cookies were introduced to America in the 18th century by the early German settlers, who counted their old cookie molds, made of clay, tin or wood, among their most treasured heirlooms.

Industrious Pennsylvania Dutch housewives baked them by the washbasketful in such varying shapes as fish, rabbits, men smoking pipes, horseback riders, hatchet-bearing Indians, stars, dolls, and of course all the characters and animals associated with the nativity scene. There were even some rindlers which were over a foot long.

Until the early part of this century, Pennsylvania Dutch Christmas trees were decorated almost entirely with the edible ornaments and it was part of the celebration to eat from the tree all through the Christmas season, so that it was practically bare by Twelfth Night. This custom is still followed in Europe.

Outstanding cookie specimens were proudly displayed and used to decorate the windows. Cookies were tucked into Christmas baskets for the poor and it was customary to include several dozen cookies when returning molds that had been borrowed.

Many cookies were handed out to the Belnickies, those costumed visitors, like mummers, who went from house to house checking up on the children's behavior during the year. It is said that some of the Belnickies were so terrifying that children were known to confess to hitherto unsuspected misdoings.

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May the happy holiday spirit fill your days and warm your hearts. As we share these joys, we pause to express appreciation to all.

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NOEL

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Greeks Have Unique Religious Ceremony to Celebrate Christmas

On Christmas Eve, children of Greek families go from house to house singing carols to the accompaniment of tiny clay drums and tinkling steel triangles. They are rewarded with gifts of figs, walnuts, almonds and sometimes money.

Afterwards there is a Christmas Eve service, which begins at 4 a.m. and ends shortly before dawn. The family then begins feasting with "Christosmo," (bread of Christ), a simple cake studded with nuts, and "Kourbiedes," small cakes dusted with powdered sugar.

The Christmas dinner must include "cheridon," roast pig. In rural households, these are fattened for the feast from midsummer on. If a family cannot afford to buy a pig, usually relatives or neighbors provide one.

There are no Christmas trees and no Christmas presents. St. Basil's Day or New Year's Day is the time for exchanging gifts. St. Basil, "Hagos Vasilias," one of the four fathers of the Orthodox church, is the Santa Claus of Greek children.

Blessing of the Waters Since Greece has always been a maritime nation, it is not surprising that the blessing of the waters is an impressive part of the Christmas celebration. This

Holiday Cheer

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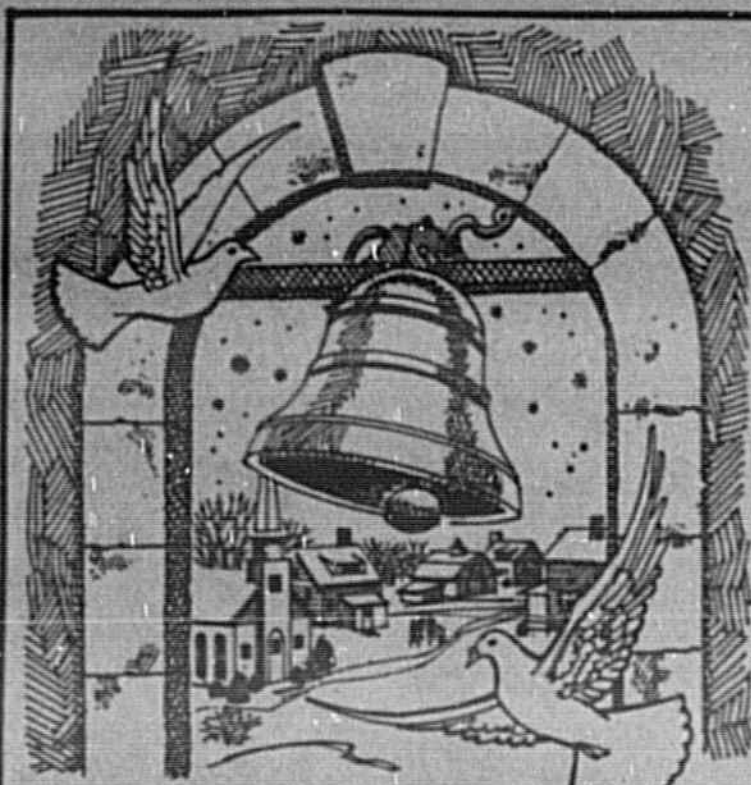
Camels and Christmas seem to go together. The Three Wise Men used camels in their stately journey to Bethlehem to the scene of the Nativity. They have a rather regal bearing that has become an integral part of the Christmas picture.

The camel sees objects at great distances and scents water long before the driver spots an oasis. A great asset in desert travel is its "extra stomach" and a storage bin in the hump which enable it to travel long distances without food or water. The camel is also known for its snarly temper and foul breath.

The camel's gestation period lasts a year, and produces only one offspring at a time. The baby camel stands 2 feet high at 8 days. It suckles its mother's milk for a year.

Many valuable products come from the camel. Its hair is clipped in the summer and woven into the finest warm garments. Its hide is used for bags and shoes. Its manure is used for fuel cakes. For food, it supplies milk.

MAXIMILIAN I
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Mini Christmas Trees, Fascinating And Creative Hobby

According to John Rieck, a New York interior designer who has made a hobby out of creating and decorating miniature Christmas trees, this can be an endlessly absorbing and fascinating pursuit.

Mr. Rieck collects miniature decorations whenever and wherever he can find them. Many antique and curio dealers have learned of his interest, and notify him immediately when any tiny toys or other miniature objects turn up.

One of the best sources for tiny toys are antique doll houses. But other prospects are endless because not all tiny objects are necessarily antiques. When he travels, Mr. Rieck often makes surprising finds. For instance, he found a shop in San Salvador that had hundreds of tiny Mickey Mouses, which are now part of his collection.

Some ornaments are rare and valuable. For example, he discovered some Austrian wax figures, Hansels and Gretels, that were barely an inch high.

Among the other miniature objects Mr. Rieck is on the lookout for are wax angels, teddy bears, toy dogs, mice, animals of all types, shoes, doll furniture, snowmen, soldiers, sleighs, musical instruments, bells, birds, fruit, trains and cars.

Most of these ornaments are made of wood, wax or porcelain. A few are ivory. Birthday cake candles are cut down to represent tree lights, and colored pipe cleaners are twisted to form interesting shapes.

There are also many inexpensive, small ornaments to be found in variety stores, which is where Mr. Rieck gets the small, artificial Christmas trees. Usually, he enhances them by adding branches for greater fullness and to accommodate more ornaments. The more ornaments the better, according to Mr. Rieck, because people get great pleasure, discovering each individual one.

Some tiny toys are placed under the tree along with match boxes and pill boxes, which are done up in gay wrappings to look like tiny Christmas presents.

Several of Mr. Rieck's trees are priceless as their treasured Victorian predecessors. Some are kept under glass bell jars.

His elaborate creations are probably quite beyond most of us. However, simpler versions can be done by anyone and children, especially. The same type of inexpensive trees can be used and tiny illustrations on Christmas cards can be cut out to serve as decorations. Stars, angels, toys, Santa Clauses abound on these cards, many of which are glittering and colorful indeed. They can be mounted on firm cardboard for extra support before cutting them out. (Use gift boxes for this.) Hanging loops can be attached with a needle and green thread. They should then be filed in their proper categories in envelopes or small boxes. This should prove an absorbing project for children and the year-round.

Kissing Under Mistletoe

The word "mistletoe" derives from the Anglo-Saxon word "mistellean." It is a parasitic plant which grows on evergreen trees, with small yellowish-green leaves, yellowish flowers and waxy white, poisonous berries.

Under a sprig of mistletoe men are by custom privileged to kiss any women standing under it. The man is supposed to first remove one of the berries and present it to the woman. When all the berries are gone, this kissing game is over. It is thought this custom comes from an early pagan marriage rite.

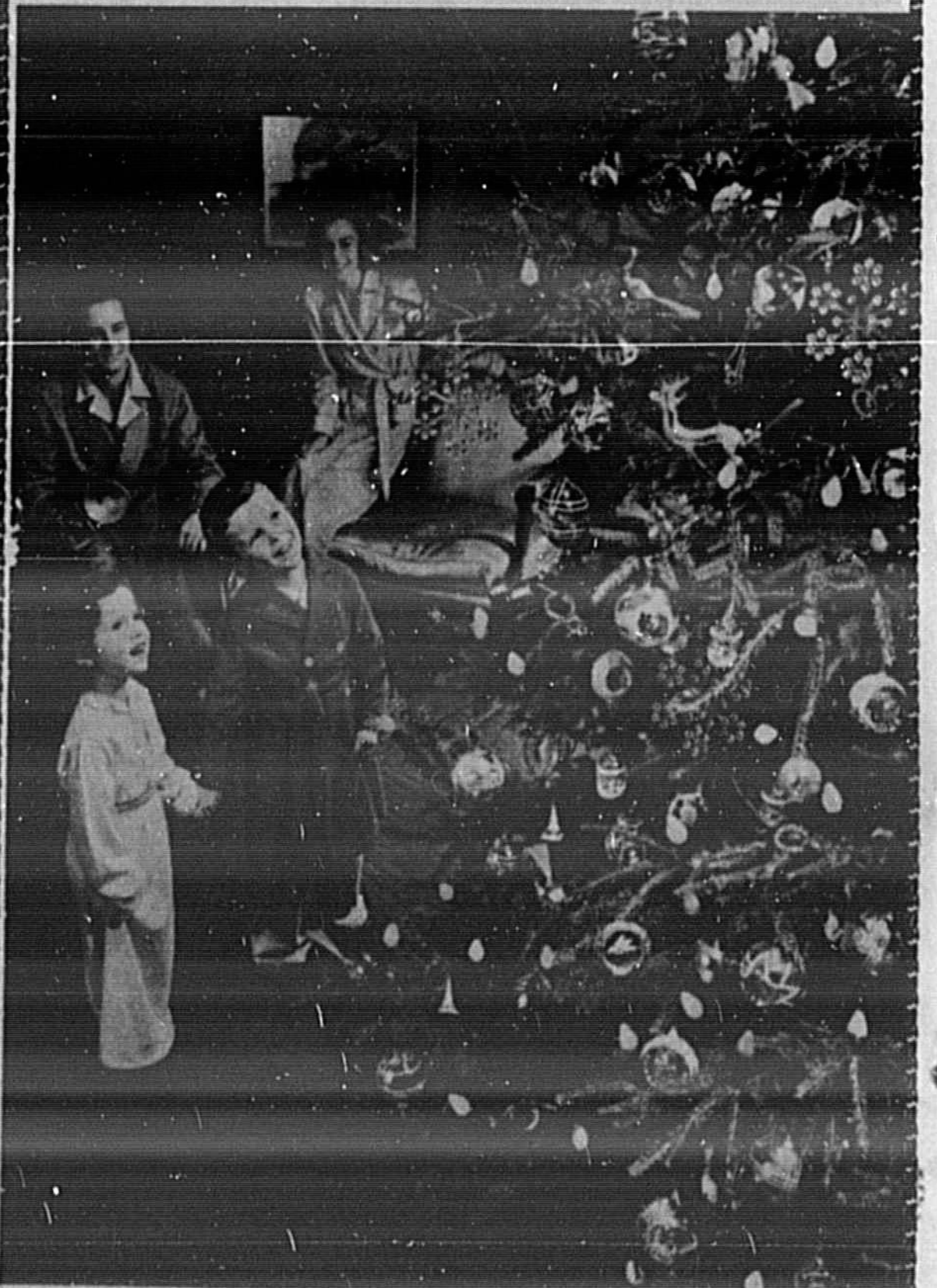
Mistletoe was considered sacred by the Druids in ancient Britain and they performed elaborate ceremonies around it at the winter solstice. Because of these pagan associations, it is seldom used in church decorations.



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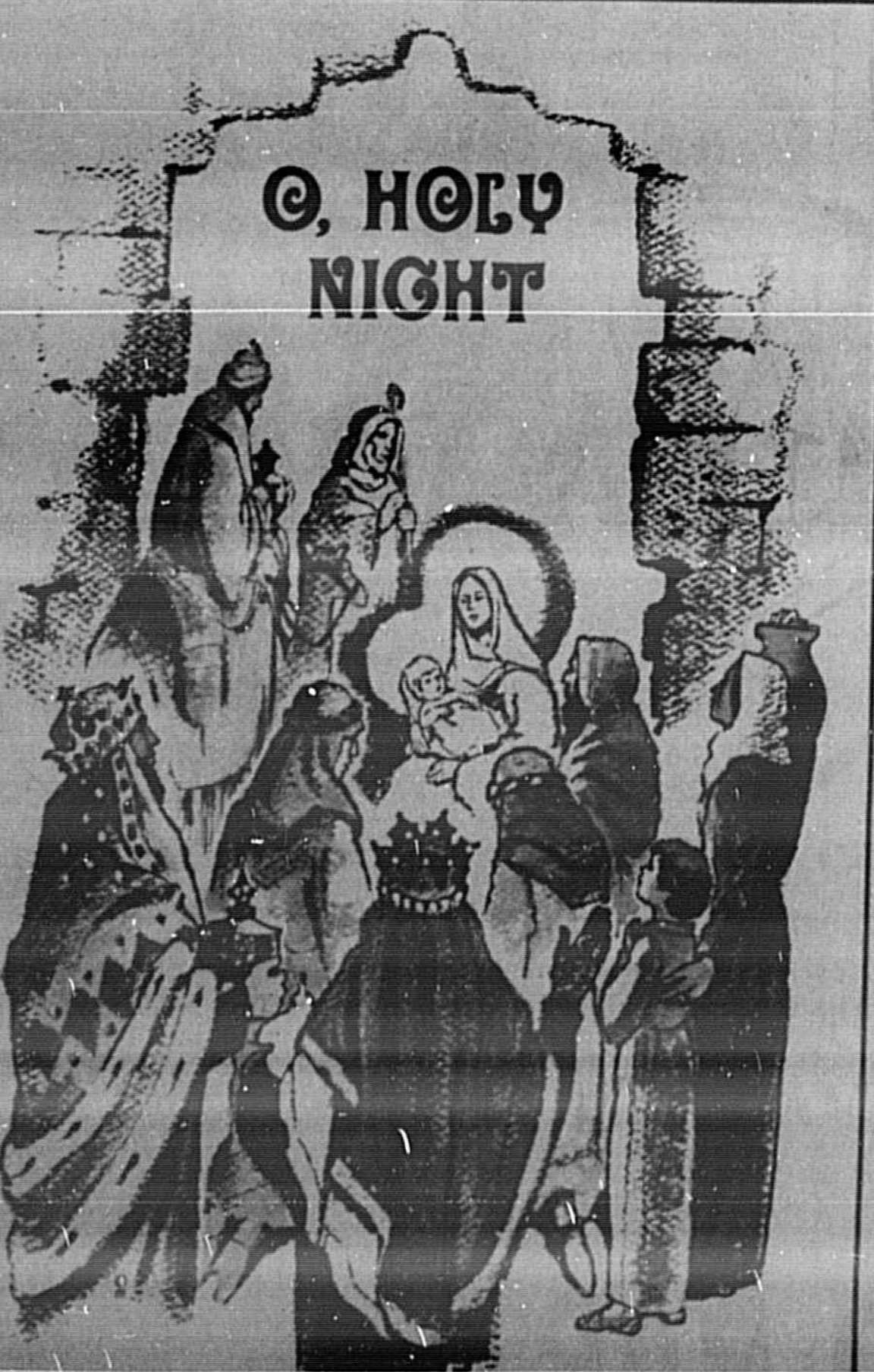
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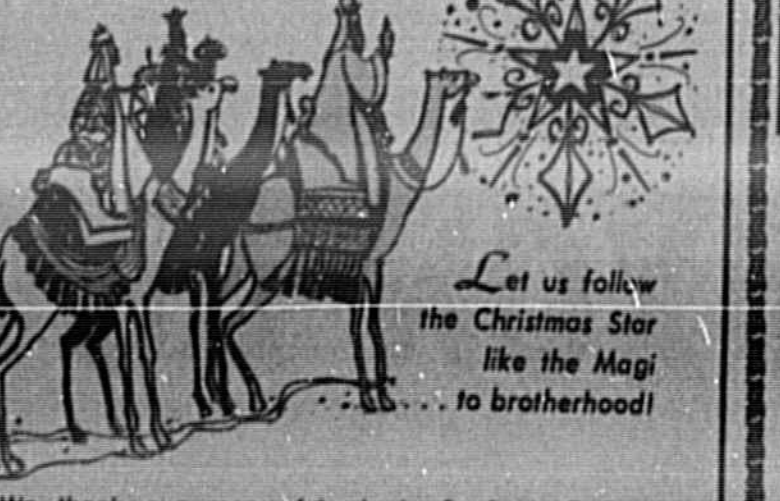
"Feast of Lights" in Merrie Old England

Over 1400 years ago, the Council of Tours decreed that the celebration of Christmas should continue on for twelve days through Epiphany, which falls on January 6. This day, also known as "The Feast of Lights," is still observed by many churches.

It became customary, through the centuries, for the reigning King of England to open Twelfth Night revels by throwing dice. In the 17th century, Charles II played for high stakes, winning 150 pounds one year and losing 100 pounds the next, both tremendous sums for that period.

Festivities included choosing a King and Queen of the feast. Slices of a plum cake containing a bean and a pea were served and the man who got the bean and the woman who got the pea were crowned King and Queen. With toasts to the royal pair, the party got into full swing. Revels wound up with final kisses under the mistletoe. Before sunrise, all the Christmas greens had to be taken down because of the prevailing superstition that a goblin would appear for each leaf that was not removed in time.

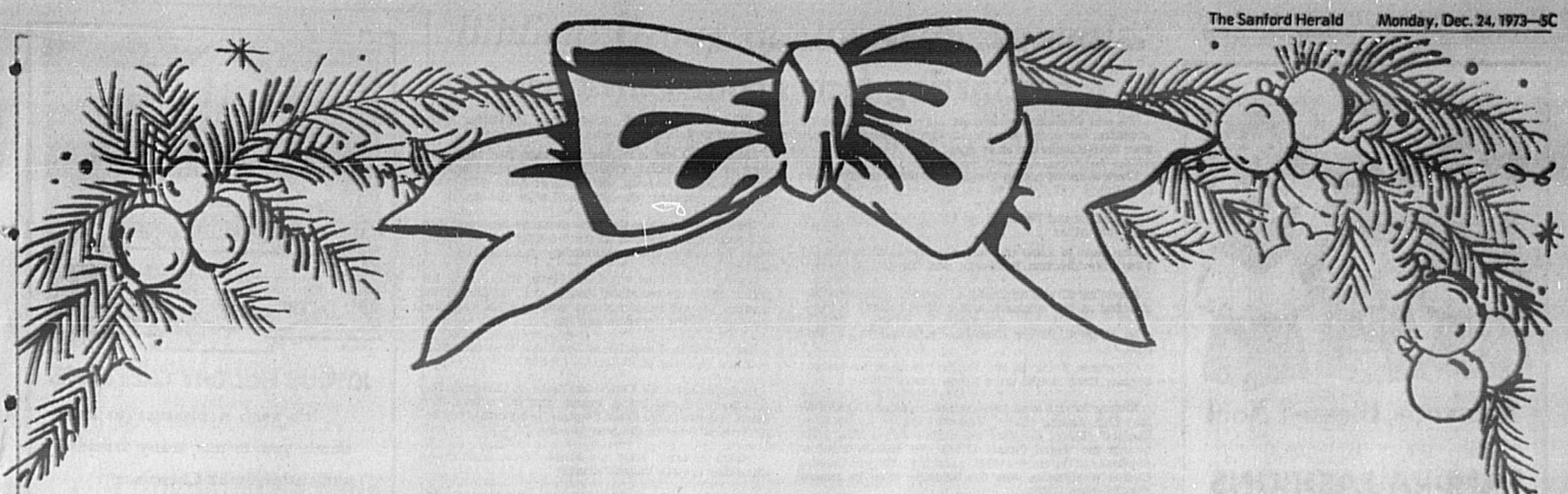
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Fascinating facts about Christmas

The saint Christmas cookies are a survival of the giving of confections to the Roman senators. During the Christmas festivities in the early ages...

There is an old saying that if you control on Christmas Day, things will go bad for you the rest of the year...

Bethlehem and Nazareth (in Pennsylvania) are 8 miles from each other...

You want to know the names of the three wise men? They were Melchior, Balthasar, and Caspar...

December 25 was originally a military feast date: the birthday of the unassuming Son of Pallocahus...

In Finland, Father Christmas is dressed as a Yule goat...

Christmas Island in the Pacific got its name because Captain Cook landed there Xmas Day (1777)...

History records some great events happening on Christmas Day. Among others: The crowning of Henry II of England (1154); the time the barons forced King John to sign the Magna Carta (1216); the establishment of the Order of the Garter (1348); and the victory of General George Washington over the Hessians when he crossed the Delaware (1776)...

The French call Christmas Noel, the Scotch Yule, the Swedes Jul, the Dutch Kerstmis, the Welsh Nidol, the Russians Il Ilind, the Germans Weihnachten, the Polish Boze Narodzenie, the Bohemians Bozi, the Slovaks Vianoc, and the Spanish Navidad...

There are only four hours of daylight in Iceland on Christmas Day...



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ONCE OVER LIGHTLY Christmas is for us children

By ANN HEDY
Copley News Service

I heard somebody say the other day, "Christmas is for all, for children." And it certainly is. But not just for the excited, young anticipators—the chronological children, but for the child in each one of us as well.

And that child is there, even in the gruffest, the bluntest, the most blasé. After gifts are bought, cards mailed and colored lights strung across the eaves, there comes a time when one can sit down and wait for that child.

Or maybe the child bursts in, unannounced, at some unexpected moment. But he will come. For Christmas is a time of wonder and wonder is child's stuff.

We can complain about the hurry, the shortage of money or time or wrapping paper—whatever—but every year we still do it because we re-

member, with a child's heart, the wonder of Christmas. Good things happen on Christmas. There are no tears, no sponges. People think about each other, try to please. There are surprises. Letters and packages arrive. Long-distance telephone calls. Hugs. A fire all day in the fireplace and nuts to crack in a big wooden bowl. Favors are granted in plain view and in the heart with "It's Christmas!" as the releasing force.

A child remembers always his love-filled Christmases. So that each year, no matter what his age, there is that wonder, that knowledge that on this special day people live truly in the present moment, aware of life's beauty and fragility. That right now will never come again.

And we can all be children again, if only for a day, to receive and to give the only really worthwhile gift: love.

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Biblical Group of Domestic Animals Present at the Stable in Bethlehem

Scientists have established that domestication of animals first began in the Holy Land and several thousand years before the birth of Christ.

The ox, ass, camel and sheep are known as the biblical quartet of animals because of their frequent mention throughout the Old and New Testaments. All of these were probably present in the stable when Christ was born.

Oxen, when mentioned in the Bible, may refer to bullocks, bulls, cows, heifers or calves, all of which belong to the Bovidae family.

The bullock was the young male ox; bulls were male cattle; heifers were young female cows; the ox was a castrated male bovine.

The ox, whose name is synonymous with physical strength, probably originated in Asia and appears to have been the first domesticated animal owned by families in the Holy Land. He was used for heavy farm work. Even the poorest family owned at least one ox.

The word "possession" in Hebrew and included flocks of sheep, goats and other herd animals.

The donkey, a family favorite, the donkey, or ass, was the most valuable animal to the biblical family, and also the most economical, since he ate only a quarter as much barley as a horse. The most menial of animals, he was famous for his stamina and sure-footedness. Humble as his status was, he would bear the camels across the desert. Even poor families like Joseph's of Nazareth, could afford one donkey, which they trimmed with blue beads and red wool to show their pride of ownership. This simple beast was their mode of transport in-

to Bethlehem and later for the flight into Egypt.

The Egyptian, long-tailed sheep are related to an ancient breed grown in the Ural mountains, long considered the boundary line which separates Asia from Europe.

The large, broad-tailed, curly-horned, creamy deep-wooled sheep, that appear in so many biblical illustrations, came from Kurdistan at the head of the Tigris-Euphrates valley which was the cradle of biblical civilization.

wild grapes, wild wheat, wild asses and wild sheep grow in these Mesopotamian highlands today. People can still live here, near Mt. Ararat with almost no effort and some theologians feel that the site of The Garden of Eden may well have been located in this area.

In Bible times, every Palestinian family bought two lambs at Passover time. They killed one to eat at the feast celebrating their

safe exodus from Egyptian bondage. The other they kept as a pet for their children and as a future source of wool for their looms and food for their table. The lamb slept with the children, ate juicy grasses from their hands and drank from their cup. When the animal became full grown, they killed it and put down its meat for the winter, storing it in the sweet fat from its tail. The tail, which sometimes weighed as much as thirty pounds, was a real burden to the animal.

The purity, meekness and loyalty of the sheep for its shepherd inspired writers to refer to Jesus as "The Lamb of God."

The shepherds found compensation for their loneliness in this loyal love from their sheep and in the peace and beauty of the pastoral surroundings, whose revolving seasons they knew intimately, and in the music of their homemade pipes, to which they sometimes

trained their frisky goats to dance.

Goats Also on the Domestic Scene

Practically every family in Bible times owned at least one goat. A family could get almost their whole livelihood from the products of a goat. From goat hair, tent and garment cloth, curtains and pillows were made (1 Samuel 19:13). Water bags, a vital necessity in these desert areas, were made of goat skin. Food products included milk, cheese and meat. Even the horns of the bearded goats were used.

Israeli Project Creates Biblical Zoo

A grassy 10,000 acres in the Negev, 25 miles from Eilat, has been transformed into a veritable Noah's Park called the Hai Bar which, in Hebrew, means wild life preserve. Breeding herds of most of the 120 animals mentioned in the Bible have been collected and pastured here.

The nimble, little goats of Bible times belonged to the Caprine section of the large Bovidae family, which included oxen, antelopes, sheep and goats. Goats and sheep are closely related but the male goat is bearded, while the ram is not. A goat's horns differ from a ram's and his odor is stronger.

Frisky goats were compared to wicked people, and obedient sheep to gentle folk. From this we get Christ's parable of the final distinction between good and evil: "He shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats." (Matthew 25:32)

ANIMAL FROM ISRAELI BIBLICAL ZOO, the Persian onager is a rare breed of wild ass, which, it is believed, Jesus rode into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday.

Photo MICHA BAR AM

GREETINGS

Happy holidays to our friends. We're sending this message of thanks to all.

Powell's Office Supply Co.
117 Magnolia Ave. Sanford, Fla.

Best wishes for a bright, and merry Christmas

Here, beneath the lamplight's glow, we gather to joyously sing out, "Hallelu!" To you and all those you hold dear, a holiday filled with lots of cheer!

Sanford Electric Co.
Phone 322-1562
2522 S. PARK SANFORD, FLA

Holiday Greetings

These gayly decorated Christmas bells ring out a message of joy and happiness to all our friends and patrons... and

"A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ONE AND ALL"

Nelson & Co. Wheeler Fertilizer
Oviedo, Florida

NOEL

Deck the halls with boughs of holly! 'Tis the season to be jolly!

A. DUDA & SONS, INC.
DUDA AUTO PARTS
OVIEDO TRACTOR CO.
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Holy night

May the infinite blessings of Christmas be yours in abundance. Our sincere gratitude to all our many friends and neighbors.

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1/2 Mile East on Airport Blvd. from traffic signal on Highway 17-92

HOLY NIGHT

"O Night When Christ Was Born..." During this joyous season let us take the time to pray for peace.

GREGORY LUMBER
520 S. MAPLE AVE. SANFORD, FLA.

The Spirit of CHRISTMAS

To love one another as a brother... to have good will among men... to bring peace to every heart - this is the Spirit of Christmas. We pray that it will enter your home at this Holy season giving to you and your loved ones the greatest happiness.

It is with genuine appreciation of your friendship and patronage that we extend this heartfelt good wish.

CHASE & COMPANY

520 S. MAPLE AVE. SANFORD, FLA.

PEACE, JOY

Wishing all of you the most joyous of holiday seasons. Thanks for making our future so bright.

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Hwy. 17-92 Sanford Ph. 322-5510

MERRY CHRISTMAS

To all our friends and customers, a very "Merry Christmas"

Crystal Lake Nursery
Lake Mary, Fla. Ph. 322-2799

Yuletide Mail Rush Bugs Postal Office Employees

By RON WELLS
Copley News Service

Christmas is a happy time for the majority of people in the United States... unless they work for the Postal Service.

For Postal Service employees Christmas means processing and delivering a tidal wave of letters and packages within the two or three week period prior to Christmas Day.

"The amount of mail builds to a peak which lasts about two days and then starts to taper off," said R. J. Ebbing, a superintendent of mailing requirements for the Postal Service.

"There wouldn't be any problem handling the Christmas mail at all if we could get 80 per cent of the mail-sending population to follow our mailing guidelines.

"Let's face it, Christmas cards lose their effect when they arrive after Christmas," he said. "And there's always disappointment when gifts from out-of-state relatives and friends aren't under the tree."

The way to avoid all this and make Christmas a more pleasant time for mailcarriers everywhere is to "mail your letters and packages early and use ZIP Codes."

"Again this year the Postal Service will be delivering local, in-state, and out-of-town labels to every home for designating letter bundles," he said. "When people bundle their letters and label them 'local,' 'in state,' or 'out-of-town' it really speeds up our operation."

As has been the practice for the last several years, all letters sent first class (sealed) are guaranteed to follow our mailing guidelines.

need an eight-cent stamp. Airmail letters will require 11 cents postage.

"An advantage to sending letters first class," said Ebbing, "is that they will be forwarded should the party have moved and left a forwarding address. Third class won't be forwarded."

According to Ebbing, the Postal Service has something new to offer holiday mailers. This year every post office will be selling everything necessary for packaging and mailing gifts so they'll arrive intact.

Among the items the Postal Service will be selling are three sizes of corrugated boxes including five feet of microfoam packing, three sizes of white First Class and airmail flat-type envelopes, assorted mailing equipment, mailing bags, packing and or third class (unsealed) will

PEACE... We hope its warmth fills your holiday with heartfelt happiness.



For your patronage we are grateful.
R. L. HARVEY Plumbing
204 S. SANFORD AVE. SANFORD, FLA.

For mailing letters or parcels within the continental United States the deadline dates are Dec. 15 and Dec. 10 respectively for surface mail and Dec. 21 for airmail. To Alaska and Hawaii surface mail letter and parcel deadlines are Dec. 15 and Nov. 30 respectively and Dec. 20 for airmail.

Mailing air greeting cards or air parcels to Africa, the Near East or the Far East the deadlines are Dec. 14 and Dec. 8 respectively.

Spanish Christmas Customs Have a Realm of Enchantment Found Only in Iberia

In Spain, song and dance dominate all the Yuletide celebrations, which begin on Christmas Eve, called "Noche Buena" or "The Good Night." The birth of the Christ Child is heralded in a gay and festive manner by crowds of young people singing and dancing in the streets to the accompaniment of tambourines, guitars, gourd rattles and castanets.

During midnight church services, tambourines and guitars blend with the organ music and the spirited voices of the congregation. Christmas Day is devoted to family reunions. There is much feasting on such delicacies as almond soup, truffled turkey with chestnuts or roast turkey with apples and raisin stuffing. The traditional Christmas sweet is turron, a nougat of almond candy.

After dinner, the family gathers around the Nacimiento, or Nativity scene, which has been lighted with candles, to sing lively Spanish carols, most of which date back hundreds of years. Spoons are further whipped up by the noise of the "pandereta" (tambourine) and the "zambomba," a drumlike instrument with a reed stuck through the skin, which, after being moistened, is moved up and down, producing a deep monotonous sound. The children join in enthusiastically, singing and dancing around the Nacimiento.

The Nacimientos have an individual Spanish look. A typical Spanish bull and a gray donkey occupy stalls near the Babe of Bethlehem. The procession of the three Wise Men and their retinue bearing gifts are all represented. There is always a little stream or river, made of silver paper or real water, to show where women kneel and do the family

laundry, a typical Spanish scene. Besides the turkeys and many animals, there are sometimes figures of famous bullfighters and politicians.

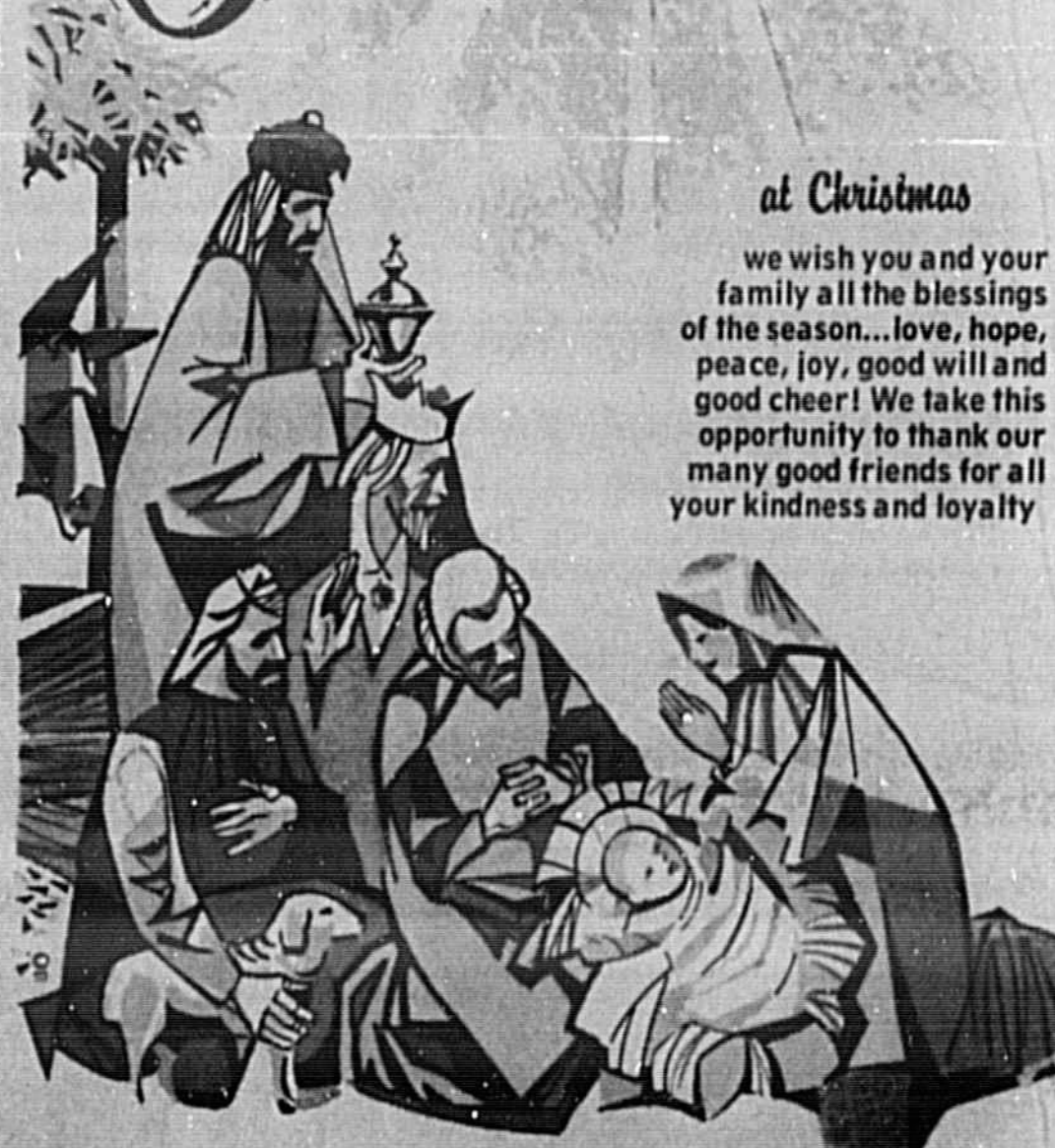
According to Spanish folklore, the Wise Men traveled through Spain en route to the stable at Bethlehem. They play a leading role in the Spanish Christmas celebration. Instead of Santa, it is the three Wise Men who bring gifts to children on Epiphany Eve. Just as American children write letters to Santa, Spanish children write letters to the Magi. On the night of January 5th, their shoes, filled with straw for the camels, and a plate of turrons are left on the balcony. In the morning they find their shoes, filled with goodies and surrounded by presents.

Climax of the festivities is the annual "cabaigata," a colorful parade which marches through the center of town with floats depicting the birth of Christ, the Magi, shepherds and related personages.



ANGEL WITH GENSER, attributed to Giuseppe Sammartino. Polychrome terracotta, wood, fabric, tow and wire and silver-gilt, 15' high. Italian (Neapolitan) 2nd half of 18th century. The Metropolitan Museum of Art, gift of Loretta H. Howard.

CHRISTMAS



at Christmas we wish you and your family all the blessings of the season... love, hope, peace, joy, good will and good cheer! We take this opportunity to thank our many good friends for all your kindness and loyalty

Orlando Forge, Inc.
711 N. ORANGE AVENUE, WINTER PARK
647-2534

Merry Christmas

We wish you joy at Christmas. May its true deep meaning light your way to peace and contentment.

Chelsea Title and Guaranty Co.
112 W. First St. Sanford, Fla.

Merry Christmas

At this joyous time of year, we wish the best of holiday blessings to all our customers and their loved ones. Thanks for your loyalty.

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Peabody Development, "The Environmental Company"
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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May hearts be filled with faith. To good friends, patrons, our appreciation.

Celery City Printing Co.
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Greetings at Christmas

May each moment of this joyous holiday season add up to an abundance of lovely memories. Special thanks to all.

FRED WILSON & STAFF
Wilson-Maier Furniture Co.
311 E. FIRST ST. SANFORD PH. 322-5622

A Joyous Christmas

To Our Friends:

The Holiday Season is the nicest time to send warmest greeting and to think of those whose good will and friendship mean so much.

It's a real pleasure to take this opportunity to show genuine appreciation for the pleasant relations of the past year.

In this Spirit, the Season's Best Wishes are sent with the hope that a bright New Year will bring a full measure of Happiness, Good Health and Prosperity to you and yours.

Sincerely,

CERTIFIED SLINGS

P. O. Box 127
CASSELLBERRY, FLORIDA 32707
305/838-4152

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O, Holy Night

As we celebrate the birth of our Lord let's give thanks for the blessings shown us. Special thanks, patrons.

GardenLand
1492 W. First St. Ph. 323-4630 Sanford
(In The Old Kilgore Seed Store Bldg.)

Gold, Frankincense And Myrrh were the Gifts of the Magi...

"And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh." (Matthew 2:11)

Of these three gifts, only gold is still today a familiar and precious commodity. However, in the time of Christ, both frankincense and myrrh were equally valuable and well-known commodities, used in trade between the Middle East and Mediterranean countries.

Gold, because of its rarity and beauty has been the world's most precious metal since its discovery more than 6,000 years ago. Then, as now, it served as a medium of exchange, and was considered a symbol of wealth and power. Because gold is soft and pliable, it was also used for making fine jewelry and artifacts.

Both frankincense and myrrh are gum resins of trees, which grow only near the monsoon regions of Ethiopia, Somalia and Southern Arabia.

Frankincense, which comes from a tree of the same name belonging to the balsam family, is an aromatic gum resin and was an important ingredient of an incense mixture used in Hebrew religious rituals. It was also used as an air purifier and as a remedy for certain physical ailments.

Myrrh is a fragrant, bitter-tasting gum resin exuded from any of several shrubs, which grow in the same sections as frankincense. It was used mainly as a base for ancient cosmetics and perfumes. It was also used medically as a pain-killer and in mouthwash mixtures. It is used in some mouthwashes today. Myrrh also was used in many religious ceremonies.

Anyone who is curious about these substances may find them at The American Museum of Natural History in New York City. The Museum usually features all three treasures as part of its December special exhibit.



AWED SHEPHERDS AND THEIR GOATS, polychromed terracotta, wood, fabric, tow and wire. Shepherds 15 1/2" high. Italian (Neapolitan) 2nd half of 18th century. The Metropolitan Museum of Art, gift of Loretta H. Howard.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

from Everyone at
Famous Recipe, FRIED CHICKEN

May You Have A Joyous Holiday Season

To Celebrate Christmas
FAMOUS RECIPE
Will Be Closed Christmas Day

Children, gaily decorated, from Kuwait, in use today for burning frankincense.

Photo courtesy The American Museum of Natural History



Censer, gaily decorated, from Kuwait, in use today for burning frankincense.

Some Folks Have a Year-Round Christmas

There are five towns or villages in the United States that are named "Christmas." They are in Arizona, Florida, Kentucky, Mississippi and Tennessee.

There is a Christmas Island in the Indian Ocean, south of Java, attached to the Singapore settlement, under Australian administration, and the British have two Christmas Islands, one of the Line Islands in the center of the Pacific Ocean near Hawaii and another in Nova Scotia on the Atlantic Ocean.

The Legend of Christmas Tinsel

According to an old legend, a poor peasant woman, with many children, decorated a Christmas tree with such humble trimmings as she was able to gather, mostly berries and nuts and such odds and ends as she had managed to save up during the year. She labored far into the night trying to make her tree as beautiful as she could.

While she was asleep, spiders came and crawled from branch to branch trailing their lacy webs behind them. To reward the woman for her devotion, the Christ Child blessed the tree and all the spider webs were turned into gleaming silver.



At this time of the year, we are privileged to give expression to our thoughts concerning those whose friendship and good will we cherish.

Greetings

Chorus of carols fill the air.
Christmas is drawing near.
Rejoice... enjoy the season's best and accept our thanks.

Florida Living NURSING CENTER
HWY. 436 / FOREST CITY, FLORIDA

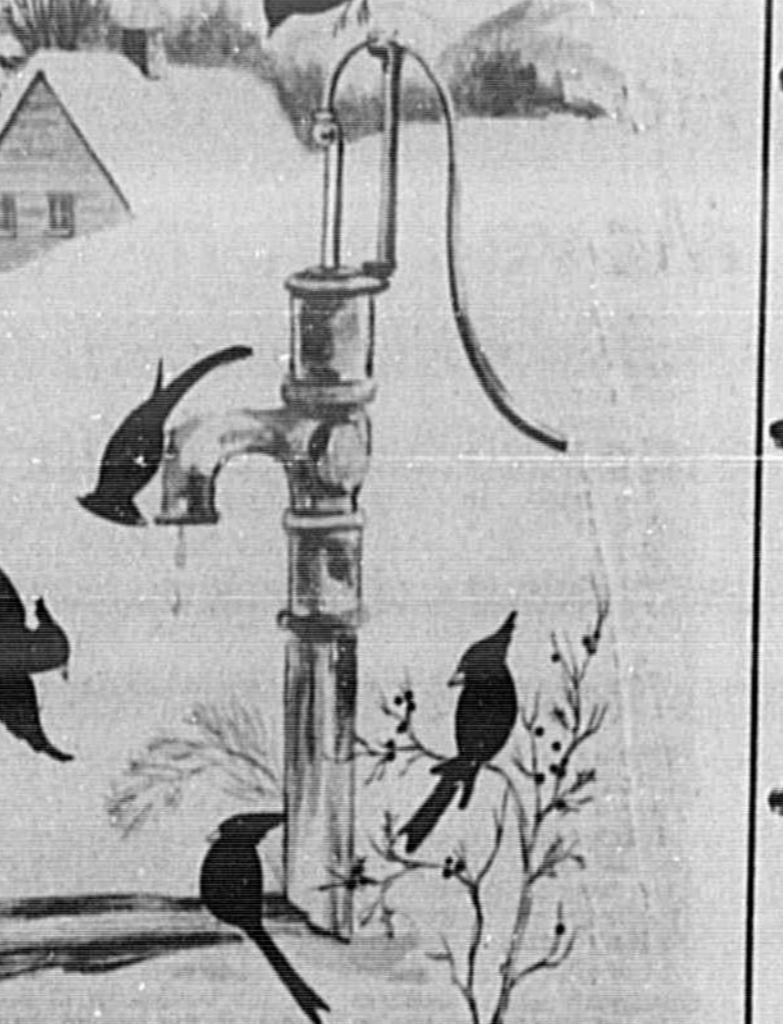
U.S. "CHRISTMAS" TOWNS SWAMPED WITH CHRISTMAS MAIL

Because many people want a Christmas postmark on their cards, letters and packages, each year millions of pieces of mail are sent to post offices in those places named "Christmas."

Christmas, Florida, population about 300, handles an average half-million pieces of mail during the Christmas season. Located near Orlando, it began as a fort that was completed on Christmas 1835.

RED HOLLY BERRIES

A legend relates that on the first Christmas night, when the shepherds went to the manger, a little lamb following them was caught by the holly thorns, and the red berries are the drops of its blood that froze on the branches.



Home lawn care products make ideal presents for Papa who have everything. This year, many manufacturers will be presenting "new breeds" of lawn care machinery.



CHRISTMAS MUSICIANS, by Norman Rockwell.

Christmas Nostalgia Portrayed By America's Favorite Artist

Norman Rockwell is perhaps better qualified than any other artist to portray a typically American Christmas scene. In this illustration of a trio of quaint-looking musicians playing carols in the street, he has captured the flavor of an old-fashioned Christmas in a small town.

It is the authenticity in this painting as in all Norman Rockwell's work that inspires such lasting, universal appeal. Norman Rockwell never fakes a detail.

Local, small town residents posed for the three musicians in clothing that had been carefully selected from Mr. Rockwell's huge wardrobe of costumes. The lantern and musical instruments were garnered from antique shops across the countryside.

The painting shown was originally commissioned by Hallmark for a Christmas card.

Lawn care machinery presents "new breed" of gifts for dad.

If you've depleted all the possible gift ideas for Dad, and still nothing clicks, how about a gift for his garden.

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Merry Christmas

May the gaiety and glee of this holiday season brighten the hearts and homes of our friends. Thanks for your loyalty.

Christiansen Inc.
Hwy 436
Forest City, Florida

GREETINGS

To our friends and neighbors, all best wishes for holiday happiness.

BRAD'S AUTO SALES
2600 Orlando Dr. 323-6230

Merry Christmas

It's the season for wishing friends the very best!

Shoemaker CONSTRUCTION INC.
211 W. 25th Sanford, Fla.



NATIVITY GROUP, Mary and Joseph attributed to Salvatore di Franco; Baby Jesus to Giuseppe Summatino. Polychromed terracotta, wood, fabric, tow and wire, silver-gilt, straw and cork. Height of Joseph, 15". Italian (Neapolitan) 2nd half of 18th century. The Metropolitan Museum of Art, gift of Loretta H. Howard.

How The Manger Scenes Moved From Bethlehem

According to legend, remnants of the manger at Bethlehem were brought to Italy by early Christians. So it is not surprising that some 1300 years later, St. Francis of Assisi should have chosen to renew its spirit and meaning in the hermitage of Greccio in the Umbrian mountains.

"I desire to represent the birth of that Child in Bethlehem in such a way that with our bodily eyes we may see all that he suffered for lack of the necessities for a newborn babe, and how he lay in the manger between the ox and ass."

His friend, Giovanni Volpita, proceeded to carry out these instructions, setting up a life-size manger with straw and a live ox and ass. Members of the community posed as Mary, Joseph and the shepherds and a wax figure of the Christ Child was placed in the manger. A great throng assembled to worship at the site on Christmas Eve 1223. Many songs and hymns were sung, and so impressive and awe-inspiring was the ceremony that Greccio assumed the fame of a second Bethlehem as the news spread far and wide.

Inspired by St. Francis, artisans and craftsmen began to make miniature manger scenes for their homes, and the creches spread all over Europe.

While families fashioned the little figures from wood or clay and created replicas of Bethlehem, as they multiplied it would look. Often these scenes looked more like their own villages than the Holy Land.

In Naples, these creches developed into a fashionable art because of the interest of the Bourbon King Carlo III, who set the pace by the elaborate settings of the Nativity scene, which he had set up in his castle every Christmas Eve.

The members of the court took up the hobby of their king and soon all the great Neapolitan families were vying with each other to produce brilliant and lavish creche displays. They employed the talents of the best sculptors and the ladies of the great houses frequently made elaborate clothes of velvets and satins for the figures.

The most outstanding of these figures were produced in the workshops of Naples during the second half of the eighteenth century. The Metropolitan Museum has a large collection of them, which are usually on display during the Christmas season. Most of these are from the famous collection owned by the great Neapolitan Cavaliere family.

The figures, an average of 12 to 18 inches in height, have pliable bodies of wicker twine and wire, expressive faces. The limbs are of finely carved wood. The figures are dressed in 18th century costumes, enriched with jewels and embroidery. The heads and shoulders of the figures, modeled in terracotta and painted in flesh tones, are credited to some of 18th-century Naples' finest sculptors: Giuseppe Summatino and his pupils, Salvatore de Franco, Giuseppe Gori and Angelo Vini.

Creches are also popular in other parts of Europe, notably Provence in France, and in Spain. But some have reached the high degree of artistic elegance of those of 18th century Naples.

Christmas Trees Recycled To Balance Our Ecology

Each year whole forests of young spruce trees are chopped down in their prime and displayed with decorations as Christmas trees in millions of American homes. After the two-week holiday season, they are discarded.

But Christmas trees can now be recycled. They can be given a second life in which their organic components can be put to work nurturing other life. A machine known as a wood chipper instantly reduces them to valuable garden mulch.

This mulch retains soil moisture and can be applied on top of snow to protect bulbs and stems of young trees and shrubs. Also, this coarse sawdust-like stuff is as good as salt or sand for improving traction on icy driveways.

Discarded Christmas Trees Help Prevent Beach Erosion

Each year, hundreds of volunteers from several Long Island communities gather discarded Christmas trees in order to implant them in the fragile dunes of Fire Island across the bay, which helps to prevent the sand from being blown off and washed away.

Greetings

Good Cheer to All!

Harry Skates & Employees
HARRY'S BAR & PACKAGE
Downtown Sanford

A DOZEN WAYS TO SAY "Merry Christmas!"

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Dutch	Prettige Kerstfeesten
Finnish	Kansain Joulun
French	Joyeux Noël
German	Frohbliche Weihnachten
Greek	Kala Christogena
Italian	Buon Natale
Portuguese	Felic Natal
Rumanian	S Rejdestrovan Kristevon
Spanish	Felic Navidad
Swedish	God Jul
Welsh	Nadolig Llawen

PEACE ON EARTH
God grant that not only the Law of Liberty but a thorough knowledge of the rights of man may permeate all the Nations of the Earth, so that ambition may set his feet anywhere on its surface and say: This is My Country. (BENJAMIN FRANKLIN)

SHEAF OF GRAY A SCANDINAVIAN CUSTOM
Scandinavian farmers traditionally practice the custom of attaching a sheaf of grain to a pole and placing it out in the snow as a Christmas feast for birds, often with seed added as an extra treat. It is said that no peasant would sit down to Christmas dinner until the birds had been provided for.

"THE TWELVE NIGHTS"
In northern Europe, the Twelfth observed the winter solstice, calling it Yule. As the nights were long, it was referred to as "the twelve nights."

A Very Merry Christmas

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Merry Christmas

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Thanks to you all for your patronage.

Jerry Collins-Jack Collins
Staff & Management

Sanford-Orlando KENNEL CLUB
HWY. 17-92

Spirit of Christmas

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ETHEL BART BETTY SMITH

Holiday Card Exchange 19th Century Tradition

Most of the traditions of the Christmas season have evolved over the centuries from so many obscure sources and different cultures that their exact origins are almost impossible to trace.

But there is one outstanding exception: the exchange of greeting cards. This social custom, which is now almost universally observed, is one of the youngest of our holiday traditions.

The very first card, authentic now agree, is the celebrated Cole-Horsley, designed and printed in London in 1843. Only a dozen of the original 1,800 copies are known to exist and two of these, including the only unsigned and unposted specimen, are part of the Harkness Historical Collection, the world's largest private repository of greeting cards and related memorabilia.

Salvage

When not on display in museums and similar institutions, the collection is filed in a specially-constructed vault at Harkness in Kansas City, Mo. Sir Henry Cole, a wealthy London gentleman and founder of the Victoria and Albert Museum, asked his friend, John C. Horsley, noted artist and member of the Royal Academy, to design the now-famous card as an unusual means of expressing his kind wishes to friends at the holiday season.

This was the golden age of lithography as practiced in England, and two years later, Meaux brought the

personal exchange of good wishes, visiting homes to toast a friend's good health, card-singing, bringing in the Yule log, and great family dinners were all in vogue.

The year that Sir Henry's card appeared, incidentally, was also the year in which another of his friends, Charles Dickens, published "A Christmas Carol," the immortal story of Ebenezer Scrooge, Bob Cratchit and Tiny Tim.

The first Christmas card had three panels. The large center panel showed a family dinner gathering and the two side panels illustrated the still popular holiday charities of feeding the hungry and clothing the needy. Beneath the illustrations was the universal greeting: "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

Well researched

An American antiquarian and international authority on greeting cards, Carroll A. Meaux, of Woodbridge, Conn., was instrumental in the research that proved the Cole-Horsley to be the first Christmas card. And in 1959, Meaux was commissioned to institute a search for copies of the original.

That year he traced one specimen through the family of Sir Rowland Hill, founder of penny postage in England, and two years later, Meaux brought the



TWO PRICELESS CHRISTMAS cards. Top, the first card ever produced for the holidays. Bottom, another early version of Yule greeting card.

second Cole-Horsley to this country, the unsigned specimen.

Christmas cards were first offered "to the trade" by an English publishing house in the 1860's. They carried such designs as jolly old gentlemen, who might have been the ancestors of Santa Claus, plum puddings, holy and mistletoe.

At this point, the production of cards coincided with use of ornamental paper and color relief. They were usually either lithographed in copper-plate engravings or colored by hand, as was the Cole-Horsley.

Followed trend

Lithographs were crudely gilded in color, cut out and pasted on the cards, and plain embossed reliefs were tinted. The cards attested to the Victorian trend toward embellishment. "Frothing" was a new method of decoration.

It was originally produced by a substance made from fine glass blown into bubbles and then burst.

At the end of the 19th Century, a decoration known as "jeweling" became popular. This effect was obtained from a thin film of copper which was heated after being chemically treated.

Lace paper was also used extensively. And, incidentally, just about every other means of decoration was used, including natural grass, seaweed, dried flowers, creased-wax, velvet and chenille, and anything else that could be adhered to paper.

The first Christmas cards were introduced in America in 1875 by Louis Prang of Boston, a German immigrant. They were much admired at the Philadelphia Centennial Exposition and proved to be an immediate success.

Social custom

Except for a brief period in the early 1900's when post cards enjoyed a spate of popularity, the exchange

Merry Christmas

It's only natural for us to say "happy holidays." We want you to know your good will means a lot.

Taylor's Natural Foods
307 E. First St. Ph. 322-6760 Sanford, Fla.

Glad Tidings

We're winging our wishes for peace and love to all our patrons. Thanks, friends, for all your goodwill.

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NOEL NOEL

'Tis the season of carols and good wishes. Many thanks for allowing us to serve you!

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FIRST & FRENCH PH. 322-6244

Greetings to all Here's wishing you lots of joy and laughter to remember all year.

Payton Realty
2640 HAWAIIA Since 1949 Sanford

MERRY CHRISTMAS

In the glow of this happy season, we thank you for the loyalty you have shown. Joy to all.

to all of you from all of us
Seminole Lodge
Nursing and Convalescent Residence
300 S. Bay Ave. Sanford Ph. 322-6755

Joy...Peace

Like the Wise Men, let us honor the Christ Child. And present Him gifts of love and devotion. To our good friends, gratitude.

Don Knight, family & staff
Knight's Shoe Store
DOWNTOWN SANFORD

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May the peace and serenity of this holiday season fill you with heartfelt warmth. For your kind patronage, our thanks.

Jerry and Ed Senkarik and Employees
Senkarik Glass & Paint Co., Inc.
210 Magnolia Ave. Sanford, Fla.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

May the holidays fill us, young and old, with the wonder of childhood. Best wishes and thanks to our good neighbors.

Auto Glass & Seat Cover Co.
304 W. 2nd. Sanford, Fla.

Peace on Earth

It is with a deep feeling of gratitude that we greet you this Happy Season.

Carroll's FURNITURE
116 W. FIRST ST. DOWNTOWN

Merry Christmas

May the true meaning of Christmas bring you gifts of the spirit... peace, love, hope, joy... and bless your life with treasures that grow richer with time. We appreciate your confidence and trust.

Wilson-Eichelberger Mortuary
EUNICE, BERNARD, TOM, THELMA, LILLIE, KATIE, CARRIE, NEDA, WILAMINA, WALTER, JOE, DARRELL, ANTHONY, SHERRY
1110 PINE AVE., SANFORD, FLA.

Santa Wore Buffalo Coat But Kids Never Realized

By HELEN M. PAGEL
Copley News Service

Years ago it was just taken for granted that everyone would spend Christmas at grandmother's house. Early in the day Uncle George always went down to the little wood lot north of the barn and chopped down the likeable-looking fir tree and carried it to the house.

It was set up in the front parlor and decorated with little red and green and white wax candles, long strings of popcorn and cranberries, gay paper cornucopias filled with candy, gilded walnuts and bright colored shiny pictures with tinsel borders.

Mysterious packages and boxes appeared from somewhere, and from the tree branches peeped little dolls and horns and stuffed animals and oranges and picture books and games and other things, with a generous overflow which the tree couldn't hold, piled on the floor beneath the loaded branches.

And then the parlor doors were lightly closed, not to be opened until all the guests had assembled that evening.

As soon as it began to get dark the fairy tinkling of sleigh bells was heard and sleighful after sleighful of aunts, uncles and cousins began to arrive.

But even after everyone had come and the children were getting pretty anxious to see what was behind those closed parlor doors, there was always a further delay because Uncle Bob had to go outside to take a look at his horses to be sure that they were covered warmly enough.

And while he was gone, Aunt Hattie always gathered all the children into the dining room to play hide-the-thimble because of course it was impossible to have the tree until Uncle Bob came back.

The door between the dining room and sitting room was always closed at this time so nobody could see the front door, which seemed rather silly, because who would be using the front door anyway? Uncle Bob had gone out the kitchen door and everyone else was in the house.

But in a few minutes there seemed to be quite a disturbance in the parlor bedroom. It was impossible to distinguish conversation, but the word "pillow" was mentioned several times, followed by bursts of laughter. What in the world was so funny about a pillow? Growups can be the queerest, sometimes.

Before hide-the-thimble had begun to pall, somebody opened the dining-room door and all the children trooped expectantly into the sitting room. The parlor doors were still tightly closed, but hark! What was that? As sure as you live, it was the jingle of sleigh bells, somebody outside

shouted "Whoa!" in a deep bass voice, there were footsteps on the front porch, the front door opened and there stood — there stood — !!

It was a little old man with a long white beard and a very fat tummy, who wore a wool stocking cap and — strangest of coincidences — a buffalo coat just exactly like Uncle Bob's. Over one shoulder he carried a sack which to a grown-up looked very much like a gunny sack filled with hay, but actually it was a magic sack filled with the stardust and mystery of Christmas.

The children's eyes grew

bigger and bigger and they stood literally stunned with wonder. The little old gentleman stooped down and shook hands with each child, asking if he or she had been a good boy or girl. Some of them were struck dumb, but most managed a strangled "Yes."

The front door opened, there was another violent jingling of sleigh bells and the mysterious figure was gone. And before the hubbub which arose had quieted down, the back door opened and Uncle Bob entered, stuffing something white and fuzzy-looking into his pocket. Immediately he was surrounded by the laughing, excited children. What a shame that he had missed Santa Claus! But perhaps he had seen him outside?

"No, I didn't see him," said Uncle Bob, "but I heard his sleigh bells so I know he was here."

And then grandmother threw open the parlor doors and the wonder and mystery stood revealed. Santa Claus had indeed been there.

Mrs. Gerhard's Gingerbread Creche Recipe
(Enough for 1 nativity set)

1/2 cup shortening	1 teaspoon soda
1/2 cup dark brown sugar (firmly packed)	1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup molasses	1 1/2 teaspoons ginger
1/2 cup flour (sifted)	2 1/2 teaspoons cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon vinegar	1/2 cup buttermilk

Cream shortening, sugar and molasses together. Sift flour, salt, soda and spices together. Blend into first mixture, alternating with vinegar and buttermilk. Chill for 1 hour. Roll dough out to 1/4" thickness. Use wax paper pattern and cut with a sharp knife, dipped in flour. Remove the pattern as you transfer the dough to a greased cookie sheet. Bake 10 to 15 minutes in 375° oven.

Decorator Icing

2 cups confectioner's sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 egg whites

Food coloring

Beat egg whites until stiff. Gradually beat in sifted confectioner's sugar. To add food coloring, divide into individual bowls and coloring to each bowl until correct shade is obtained. Spread with knife or use decorator tubes or "paint" on with paint brush.

Egg Yolk "Paint"

2 egg yolks plus food color
Apply with paint brush.



NATIVITY SCENE, inedible dough mounted on wood panel. By Ruth Asawa Lanier.
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Today's tree ornaments stronger, finer in design with modern technology

Families have long cherished special Christmas tree ornaments that have a singular meaning for them. In fact, Europeans emigrating to the United States often brought cherished Christmas tree ornaments with them as poignant reminders of families and lands they left behind.

The custom of decorating a Christmas tree began in the Thuringian Mountains of central Germany.

German emigrants carried the Christmas tree decorating custom where they went — decorating the first Christmas tree in this country before 1700. They used colorful glass ornaments that were hand-decorated.

As more and more families marveled at the fire-light's reflection dancing in the ornaments of glass on Christmas trees, the demand increased.

For many decades, skilled Thuringian craftsmen, particularly in the village of Lauscha, supplied the world with their delicate and beautiful hand-blown ornaments.

Working in typical "cottage industry" fashion, artists of this area produced tens of thousands of ornaments each year.

Entire families worked at the craft, and prices were low because labor was cheap. In one day, one usual production team — a family headed by the father as chief craftsman — could produce 600 of the intricate decorations that made Lauscha the "Christmas tree ornament capital of the world."

Until 1925, Germany had no competition for the Christmas tree ornament market in America. Then the Japanese began to manufacture glass decorations for export.

When hostilities broke out in 1939, the United States



ALONG WITH CONVENTIONAL GLASS Christmas tree ornaments in a variety of assortments, Corning Glass Works is now introducing new collector series. Bringing back a bit of the magic of the past is the Currier and Ives series depicting intricate scenes on 3 1/2" ornaments.

Pennsylvania village has assumed the title "Christmas tree ornament capital of the world." The machine that produced Christmas tree ornaments at Corning's Wellsboro, Pa. plant turns out far more in a single minute than an entire family in Lauscha did in a whole day.

For more than 30 years, Corning has manufactured glass ornaments at its plant in Wellsboro, Pa. and the

For example, measurements to ensure standard thickness in ornament walls, standard procedure at Wellsboro, were unknown in Lauscha.

Until this year, virtually all ornaments leaving the Wellsboro plant have gone to decorating firms where strips and designs were applied by hand.

Although Corning continues to serve the glass ornament blank requirements of decorating companies, it is also utilizing a new decorating capability this year to market its own ornament lines under its own name.

Corning is introducing conventional glass ornaments in solid colors and decorated finishes in a variety of assortments. It is providing a number of ornaments in collector series, individually packaged in gift mailer and display boxes.

One such collection is a series of four Currier and Ives scenes on 3 1/2-inch ornaments. The new capability permits the most intricate decorations.

Its conventional line of decorated ornaments is competitively priced with glass ornaments — plain or decorated — currently being marketed domestically.

The line features high quality ornaments with superior decorating made possible by the new capability.

In the new gift line Corning has a Christmas Past collection and a Children's collection, too.

Although ornaments are used for a wider variety of decorating purposes these days, most of the ornaments will probably land on Christmas trees for about a week each year, bringing to this age a bit of magic that was discovered long ago in the village of Lauscha in Germany.

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Hearty grog adds glow to Yuletide fest

It's Christmas, time for shared moments with family and friends, for celebration and nostalgia, for traditional partying, feasting and fun.

Of the many traditions bound into this joyful season, perhaps the most delightful is the tree-trimming party.

Invite a few close friends over to share with you and your family a quiet evening of bedecking the tree by the soft glow of candlelight, or let a friendly fire blaze in the hearth.

To brighten holiday spirits even more, why not brew up a delightful, traditional grog from Germany?

This warm, mellow drink is aptly named "gluewein," which is German for "glowing wine" and it will add a pleasant glow to your holiday festivities from tree-trimming time to Twelfth Night celebrations.

Although it's made from port wine, which is rather sweet, the addition of lemon and cinnamon turns it into a subtly spicy, lovely drink that will remain a family favorite.

"GLUEWEIN"

1 qt. port wine
1 1/2 cups water
1 1/2 sticks cinnamon
1 1/2 lemons, sliced
1/2 to 3/4 cups sugar, to taste

Place all ingredients in a 2-qt. pot; simmer over low heat for ten minutes, stirring gently until sugar completely dissolves. Remove cinnamon sticks. Boil a lemon slice in each serving.

OLIVER'S TWIST

In England when the Puritans came into power under the leadership of Oliver Cromwell, the tradition of festive celebration of Christmas was attacked as pagan. As a result Parliament passed an act forbidding the customary observance of it and other religious festivals.



Masses and music will enliven the French Noel

Copley News Service
MARSEILLE, France — Southern France from Provence to the Riviera is full of fascinating Christmas ceremonies and customs. Delightful, too, are its Christmas "santons," figurines which enliven the "creches" or Nativity mangers.

French Christmas manger statuettes take the name of "santons" from the Provençal dialect word, "sant'ouens," holy men or "little saints." Since 1803 they have graced a fair held annually in Marseille from December 10 through the first week of January.

Marseille's fair stalls brighten the tree-lined Canebiere Boulevard with countless rows of "santons." Collectors and the curious wander past the entrancing displays which also crowd byways near the Church of Saint Pierre-Saint Paul.

The initial 13th Century Holy Family "creche" was created by St. Francis of Assisi, but the group of personages has been greatly ex-

panded by artisans of Provence with addition of a figure populace representing Southern France. Typically, a milk-maid stands beside the Tarascon innkeeper. Gypsies from the Rhone River delta are part of a miniature parade including fishmonger, drummer, various tradesmen and Troubadours.

Among the "santons," the miller joins the Holy Family, shepherd, and Magi, barnyard animals, as well as the poetic creations of Provence's author, Frederic Mistral. These terra cotta figures are first cast in plaster molds, hand finished, gelatin-slip covered, then meticulously painted. Details like twig-bundles, carding-combs or pails are often added.

"Santons" have worked for generations in Marseille, Aix-en-Provence and hilltop hamlets of Provence. Travelers to the Midi can enjoy a comprehensive over-view of "santon" history at the Musee du Vieux Marseille, located near the City Hall just off the Quai du Vieux Port. The mu-

seum is open daily except Tuesday, and displays extraordinary collections of 17th, 18th and 19th Century "santons" figurines and Nativity creches. They are notable for their vivid, sun-bright coloring and authentically detailed regional costumes.

To vivify Noel is a heart-felt Provençal tradition, and the offering of the new-born lamb is a ceremonial highlight at midnight Mass. In Menton, life-size "santon" figures are borne through the streets, and a pageant takes place on the floodlit Place Saint Michel whose 17th Century cobblestone terrace dominates the Bay of Garavan.

The Nativity lamb-offering is widespread in Provence from tiny 326-inhabitant Fontan above the Saorges Gorges to the ski-resort of Valberg. Ceremonies at the village of Venç are notable for their regional costumes whose color and detail range from antique trade-tools to curious long drum-cones and files.

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In East Aurora Tiny Tots Decide Toys' Fate

Copley News Service

EAST AURORA, N.Y. — The luckiest kids in the world live here.

These are the kids who decide what toys are given to OTHER kids for Christmas this year. And they find out by playing with toys that are fresh out of the drawing board.

Fisher-Price, the world's largest maker of pre-school toys, uses as a toy testing ground the nursery school it has installed in its Research and Development building here.

How these nursery-school youngsters act or react has brought about a number of major modifications in toys and killed a number of others created by what the industry generally regards as the finest group of designers under one company roof.

The school is on a daily basis. It has three state-licensed teachers, a research psychologist on staff, and retains as consultants Dr. Jerome Kagan, eminent Harvard psychologist and child development expert.

The school is as about unstructured as one you'd find in your own neighborhood. There's clutter and paint spills, giggles and sleep time. And of course, toys galore. These include company toys and ones that are in the design stage along with a large variety of toys from competitors, both here and abroad. The attending experts range in age from 2 1/2 to 5 1/2.

Designers are on the look-out for what appeals most. What draws children to a toy most quickly, what occupies them longest. If they go to one toy over another, the designer wants to know why. If one toy occupies a child's attention more than another, the same question is asked.

When these questions are answered the result sooner or later ends up on a company product. "Perhaps more than anything," says Robert Hicks, vice president-research and development and the company's chief designer, "is the marvelous world of just having the kids around. Listening to them, talking with them, watching them, keeps us constantly reminded of what our jobs are all about."

The designers have learned that colors, the brighter the better, are essential. They have found that whimsy and detail will encourage role playing and dramatic play, and in fact will not ordinarily consider a toy unless it commands an eight-to-10-minute attention span. An extraordinary standard, according to child experts.

Their observations have taught them that preschoolers have not yet mastered the simple art of using their fingers. Instead they use fists to pick things up or turn things. Accordingly, openings in Fisher-Price toys are made larger to accept little fists.

Cranks that require more manipulation than youngsters can manage are strictly taboo. So knobs that tiny fists can handle are all you'll see on windup toys the company makes.

Although the school has been in operation a relatively short time, the children have already made valuable contributions. A prototype of an ATV (all terrain vehicle) Explorer riding toy was being treated to much as a stationary toy by these experts.

When they did use it to ride on, they invariably employed their own sound effects to make the sound of a revving motor. Noting this, designers added a lever that worked back and forth to produce an engine sound.

Thus another play action was added and the value of dramatic play enhanced via the engine sound. Simple! That toy was one of the company's top sellers this past year.

In another instance, one of the designers, Peter Reiling, got an idea for a toy while on a boat trip a few summers back. A mockup of a houseboat was put together and presented to the children.

One of the most important modifications they dictated along the way came about in this manner. Included with the boat is a set of little whimsical spool-like Play Family figures. When you're on a boat, you naturally jump into the water when you can. In every session with the toy, the children had Mommy and Daddy and Butch along with the rest jumping from the boat deck into the water. No waves were put together and added. It is now one of the houseboat's key features.

The company's School Days Desk went through a number of even more drastic changes. The toy started out as an advertising billboard. It was to be presented with a set of magnetic letters that would enable children to construct words, an educational plus.

Worries of the marketing group over negative attitudes in the marketplace against advertising, and more specifically outdoor games, killed it. It was replaced, however, that a good writing-spelling toy was badly needed.

At a series of sessions with designers the point was made that preschool children want very badly to go to school. Why not a school desk? But then children generally tend to veer away from anything too obviously educational.

Would they go for it? It turned out they did. More than that they helped select words and subjects and influenced its design. They gave top rating to the finished toy happily convincing the evaluation of fellow authority Dr. Jerome Kagan.

They've "killed" their fair share of toys too, and here Hicks becomes a bit wistful. "We thought we had a really good number with a music box wristwatch. The youngsters wouldn't wear it. Too clumsy!" Another manufacturer tried marketing one and bombed.

"We designed a rocking, banana-boat-type of toy that had the kids falling all over it. Literally, that is. The wheels were too close together, making it unstable. When we tried correcting the problem by adjusting the wheelbase, we killed the design and so its interest. They stopped playing with it."

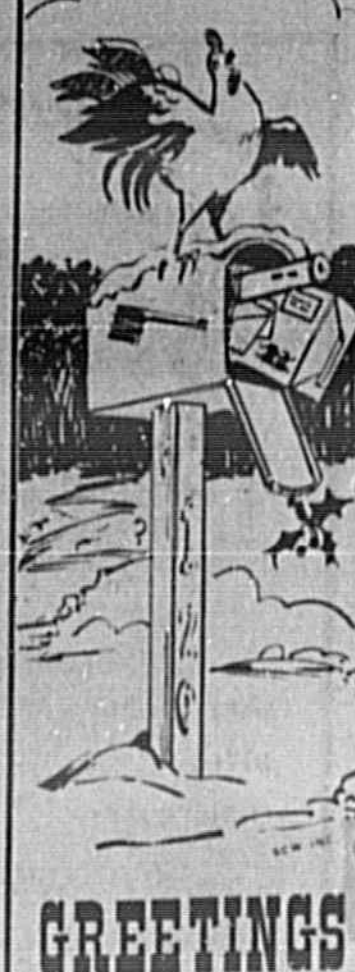


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Ham For Variety A Hearty Yuletide Feast

By FRANK MACOMBER Copley News Service

There is no law that says you have to serve the same, old traditional food to your family and friends every time Christmas days rolls around.

Fine food and drink at Yuletide draws the circle of human relationship closer. But Christmas has a heritage of widely varying foods. Each region of the country has its own favorite dishes and each ethnic group brings to home-land traditions.

What they all add up to is a delicious variety of holiday dishes for all-American cooks.

Mind you, don't break any family traditions — or hearts — by not serving your family's favorite foods for Christmas this year. But it certainly won't hurt to inject a few variations into what you serve, for variety is the spice of food as well as life. Try it, you'll like the idea.

If turkey still suits your taste and that of your family or guests, plan a turkey day to remember with twin birds roasted to a warm, golden brown. Let each be filled with a different kind of stuffing, so everybody can have his or her favorite. You can choose from corn, corn meal, oyster, wild rice or your favorite special dressing. Fix some with sage and some without, for not everybody is enamored of sage in dressing.

Another idea is to let each guest dig into his or her own plump Rock Cornish hen for the holiday feast instead of the traditional turkey.

And remember, no Christmas is really with it unless all the little bits and pieces are there — the traditional special-occasion sauces, relishes, beverages, vegetables and bright-colored hors d'oeuvres if you serve cocktails before dinner.

My wife, a very special dish herself all the year 'round, says to think about a ham in place of turkey or Cornish hens for the groaning Christmas board. It's quick and easy to prepare and could be served as an adjunct to fowl, she points out. Anyway, Lulu Mae just happened to have this recipe for what she calls a "Sleigh Ride" spiced ham glazed with guava jelly:

One 7-to-8-pound tenderloin or ready-to-eat ham; whole cloves; one teaspoon powdered mustard; one teaspoon warm water; one cup guava jelly; two tablespoons light corn syrup and one tablespoon white vinegar.

When all that culinary art-tillery is in place, fire, away like this:

Place tenderloin ham on rack in large baking pan. Bake, uncovered, in preheated 325-degree oven for 25 minutes per pound (12 to 15 minutes per pound for ready-to-eat ham). Remove ham from oven and score diagonally in one-inch diamonds. Stud each with whole cloves.

Then combine mustard and warm water, let stand for 10 minutes for flavor to develop. Melt jelly in 3-cup saucepan. Add corn syrup, vinegar and mustard and mix well. Heat mixture only until it is blended with the jelly. Then spoon or brush jelly mixture over ham. Return to oven and bake 10 minutes in 350-degree heat. Spoon or brush mixture over ham again.

Bake 15 minutes or until ham is beautifully browned. Let stand at room temperature 20 to 30 minutes before slicing. A 7-to-8-pound ham will yield from 12 to 15 servings.



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A CHILD'S JOY Buying presents at fifty cents apiece

By ANN RUDY Copley News Service

If you think you have problems deciding what to buy Great Aunt Zella who has everything, just wait until your child decides he wants to buy Christmas presents for everybody with his very own money. He rushes into the kitchen one morning after your gifts have already been bought, wrapped and enclosure cards signed with his name on them.

"Me," he shouts, "I've got a great idea!" "Yeah?" you answer warily. You remember the last time he had a great idea. "I'm gonna buy all my own gifts this year!" he announces. Then he whips out a list he has compiled with 36 names on it. Wiping the fruitcake mix from your hands, you come on like Scrooge: "Wait just a minute, Diamond Jim. How much money have you got?" He is still soaring on the spirit of Christmas go-for-broke when he answers, "Lots — eighteen dollars and thirty-six cents and I'm gonna spend it all." It is then your heart softens (a lapse you will live to regret) and you say, "I think that is wonderful of you, Freddie." Nevertheless, you are mentally calculating that eighteen dollars into 36 people comes out only fifty cents apiece. But you leave your fruitcake preparations, bundle up and drive him down to the local five and ten. There, you turn him loose with instructions to watch his budget and meet you in an hour, after he has made his selections. You can't help but wonder how the kid is going to handle it. You spend the next hour loitering in the supermarket, then go back to pick him up. But his is sagely handed. "Where are all your presents?" you ask. "I couldn't find anything," he answers. "For fifty cents the five and ten had nothing but thermos corks and bath salts that make you itch like anything. I need a two-year advance on my allowance. I'll say ya back — I promise." His eyes are shining like two Christmas stars and you realize there is nothing to say but yes. So you say it. And on Christmas morning, you're glad you did, for there's a light in Great Aunt Zella's eyes as she holds the \$1.49 pot holder Freddie gave her. "You picked this out yourself, didn't you?" she asks. "Yes," says Freddie proudly, and you know he has felt the joy of giving. Even if he does owe his soul to the company store.



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Guess who's up on the rooftop?

Copley News Service

If you had to guess, oftand, the most parodied poem of all time, you'd probably say "A Visit from St. Nicholas."

This is the merry verse which begins, "Twas the night before Christmas, and all through the house," and carries on through St. Nick's arrival, the clatter on the roof, and the rush of the old boy to be on his way, behind his "eight tiny reindeer."

Its lilting meter and the lively story it tells have put this verse in the all-time class of Christmas literature.

"A Visit from St. Nicholas" was written in 1822 by Dr. Clement Clark Moore, who was not a medical doctor but rather a professor of theology, who taught at a seminary in New York and was convinced that if lasting fame ever came his way it would be through "A Compendious Lexicon of the Hebrew Language," which he published in 1809.

But came Christmas Eve of 1822, and Dr. Moore gathered his children around him in front of the fireplace. He had knocked out a little ballad about Christmas, and in the pride of authorship he wanted to read it out loud. Once the kids were settled down, Dr. Moore began:

"Twas the night before Christmas, and all through the house..."

And that might have been that, except for one thing. Dr. Moore had composed this rhythmic romp for the delight of his youngsters, but a friend who had dropped by that Christmas Eve sat in on the reading. The friend thought it was delightful, and he was impressed with the approving reaction of the Moore small fry.

The friend copied it down and took it to the editor of the Troy (New York) Sentinel. The editor liked it, too; and what's more, he printed it.

Dr. Moore, who possessed the outward dignity and serious mind of the dedicated theologian, wasn't happy at the printing.



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FIRE WARNING

How to keep your Christmas safe

By MARGUERITE SULLIVAN Copley News Service

The holiday season brings cheer but it can also bring tragedy in fires if precautions aren't taken.

Firemen warn that every Christmas brings an increase in the number of fires, caused by Christmas trees and other decorations that can quickly go up in flames.

For fire safety metal trees are the most desirable, firemen say, because they are noncombustible. However, there is a potential danger of electric shock if strings of lights are used on metal trees.

If sharp metal edges or tips come in contact with broken bulbs or terminal openings of lamp holders, the entire tree can become electrically charged.

Ideally metal trees should be illuminated by remotely located spotlights. Purchasers should require evidence that plastic and metalized plastic trees are made of materials that burn slowly.

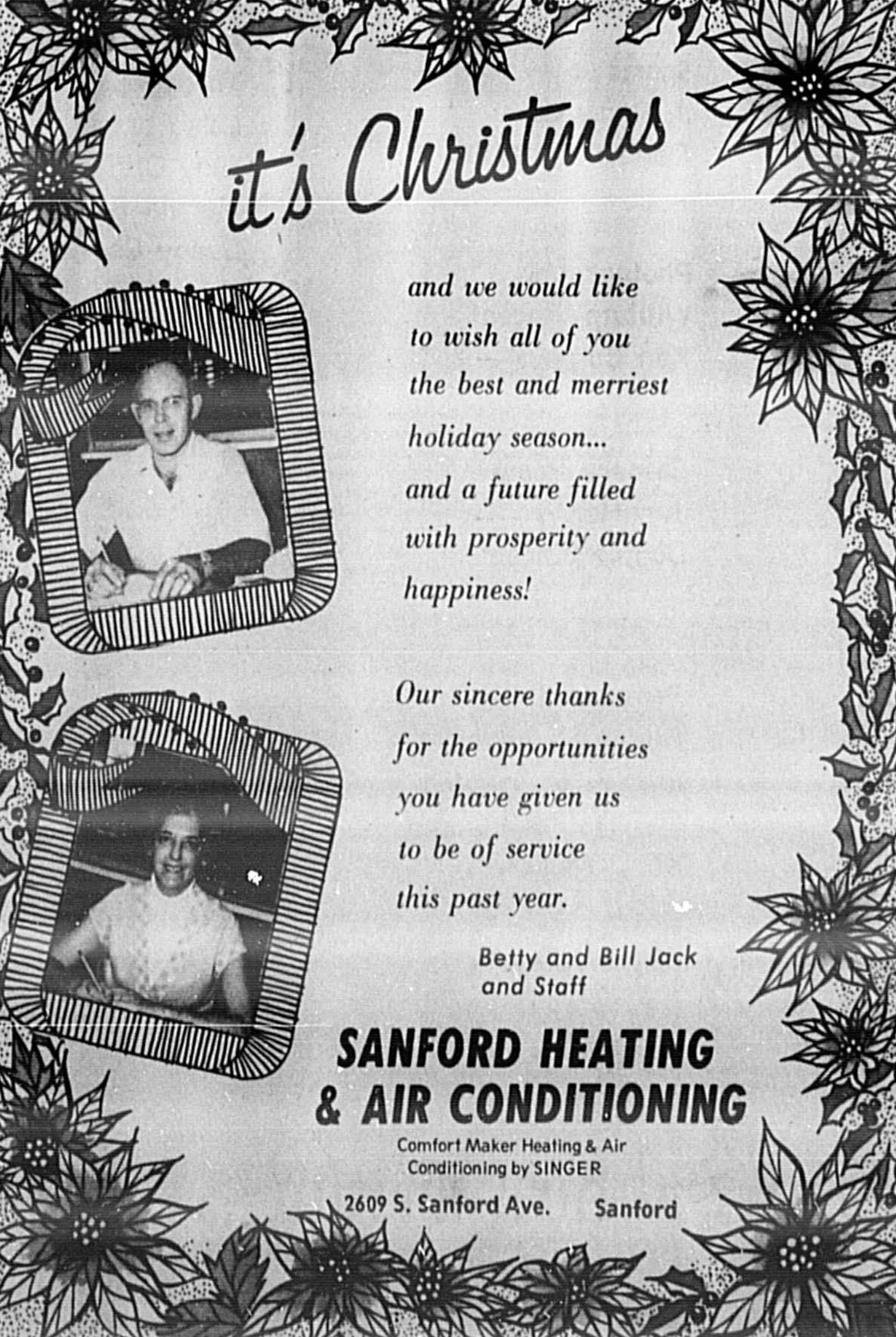
If purchasing a natural Christmas tree, firemen say, do not purchase a tree, thicker than is actually needed. A Christmas tree is essentially fuel, and excessive fuel in any location is dangerous.

Trees processed with a flame-retardant chemical are less hazardous.

The fire department safety checklist includes:

— Give the tree the freshest test before purchasing; check to see that branches bend without breaking and the needles don't fall when the branches are shaken.

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Gurney To Keep Watergate Duties

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Edward J. Gurney, R-Fla., said today that despite missed meetings the senator plans to remain a member of the Senate Watergate committee.

"The senator has no plans to leave the committee," said Jim Allison, Gurney's administrative assistant.


Allison commented after published reports that Gurney had ceased to be active, functioning member of the committee.

The flurry of phone activity, with equally frustrating results, began last week when the Washington Post broke a story showing that Gurney has not attended any of the last eight public meetings of the committee probing President Richard Nixon's Watergate scandal.

Gurney, once Nixon's staunch ally on the bipartisan special investigative subcommittee, stopped showing up at meetings towards the end of October when news of the possible \$300,000 Florida builder's slush fund for Gurney first came to light, The Post reported.

According to The Post, Gurney has been specifically asked to attend private executive sessions to help swear in or question witnesses, but refused to come even though he was in his nearby office.

The Post quoted disgruntled senate sources as saying Gurney had been foot-dragging on the Watergate committee before the Larry Williams fund raising scandal broke, but that he stopped attending all together once his own Justice Department probe was revealed.



SEN. ED GURNEY
... Out of sight

Original Draft Unacceptable Impact Zoning Law Delay Predicted



JOHN KIMBROUGH
... Tells of law

By CHRIS NELSON
Herald Staff Writer

While an impact zoning ordinance is not anticipated to form the Seminole County Commission's New Year's present to reluctant developers and land speculators, the controversial economic legal package probably will make its debut some time in 1974, according to Commissioner John Kimbrough.

Kimrough, noting the present ordinance is scheduled for public hearing and possible

passage at 7 p.m. Thursday, today said he doubts much will be done in view of an earlier economic study revealing the proposal will not work as intended.

The board was told Oct. 30 by an economist with Winter Park's Environmental Design Group (EDG) that the ordinance as drafted would actually encourage high-density apartments while striking hardest at low-density single family residences.

The board at that time directed Assistant County

Howard Marsee to work with County Planner Roger Neiswender and the EDG staff in revamping the economic impact sections.

Last week, however, Commissioner Dick Williams concurred no work has been done on the proposal, calling the restructuring necessary a "monumental task" for which there was not enough time.

Williams, a chief sponsor of the measure, countered last week with an "optional" impact zoning ordinance suggestion, saying "the municipalities

should be invited to adopt the ordinance on their own initiative, without county passage.

Concurrent with the option, Williams said, Marsee should explore a special legislative act giving the municipalities and the county specific authority to adopt an impact ordinance.

Marsee said the idea was a good one, because as matters almost certainly faces stiff challenges on both constitutional and home rule power questions.

Calling special enabling legislation a "leg up" in anticipated court challenges, Marsee said he personally feels the present home rule legislation is sufficient, but that specific legislative sanction from Tallahassee would greatly strengthen the county's hand.

The idea of the ordinance is to require set percentages of payments to the county by developers for impact to public services—police, fire, schools, roads—necessitated by new developments.

Since it takes at least one

year for new developments to be placed on the tax rolls, supporters argue, the burden of growth is always placed on the old county taxpayers, and not on the new residents causing the growth.

In practice, the county has been requiring "voluntary" contributions of \$200 or \$300 per unit to offset school costs, estimated by the EDG report to run to \$2,200 per pupil and to make up 85 per cent of all impact growth costs.

Opponents of the proposal, including all major developers

with the exception of Sweet-water Oaks' Everette Huskey, say the measure will place unconstitutional tax burdens on new residents and is inherently unequal.

Today, in predicting eventual passage of an ordinance in 1974, Kimbrough said the board is not interested in rushing the measure through in a February public referendum, but will seek to "set the stage" for a vote with further economic and legal groundwork.

"It's going to be a protracted battle," Kimbrough admitted.



AROUND THE CLOCK
By John A. Spolski

The Jolly Old Man gets better to me and my family with each passing year. Hopefully, that's the same situation for your family as well.

HOLIDAY HANG-UP

MECHANICAL RAILROAD crossing gates took a holiday rest Tuesday afternoon on SR 46 west of Sanford. Disgruntled motorists, lined up at times for blocks, bypassed the flashing red lights and motionless gates—with no trains in sight—and criss-crossed the four-lane divided highway. Sheriff's deputies reported the

situation existed for over an hour before Seaboard Coast Line Railroad personnel repaired the safety devices. Trainmaster M.E. Smith said the malfunction was due to "an electrical problem" in signal controls and the gates normally go to the stop position when there is a malfunction.

Sanfordites Say Joys Of Family, Friends Are Best Holiday 'Gifts'

By JEAN PATTESON
Herald Staff Writer

Gifts are not what make Christmas: people are. Or so say Sanford folk interviewed this morning.

While almost everyone received the gifts they hoped for, the joy of being with friends and family brought more satisfaction than any of the gaily wrapped items under the

Christmas tree.

"I got to share Christmas with someone I couldn't share it with last year—the guy I'm dating," said Cathy Thiel.

"That was the best gift I got."

"Getting together with friends—that was my favorite Christmas present," said Theresa Barrinat, a Cuban who has lived in Sanford several years now. "It's our custom to celebrate on the 24th, not

Christmas day," she explained.

"We have a big party with everything Cuban—the wine, food, music and dancing. There afterwards we go to midnight Mass, and then come home to open the gifts. I got some lovely gifts, but the best thing was being with all those friends."

Fam Kirkland spent the day with her husband at her parents' home in Orlando. "We don't get to see them often, and

just being there with my parents and not having to worry about things at home made it a very good Christmas. There was not a gift I expected I didn't get," she added.

"Being out of the snow was my best present," smiled O. M. Williams, recalling many freezing Christmases spent in Virginia.

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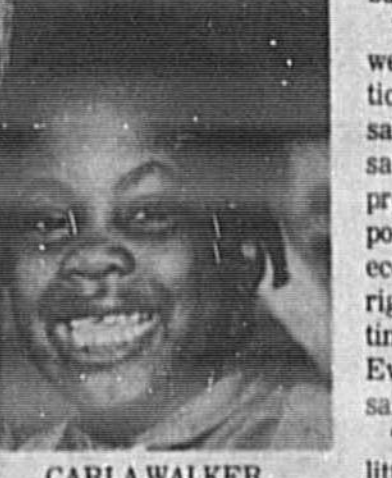
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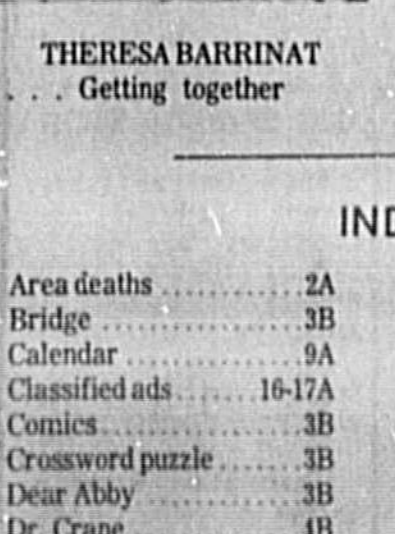
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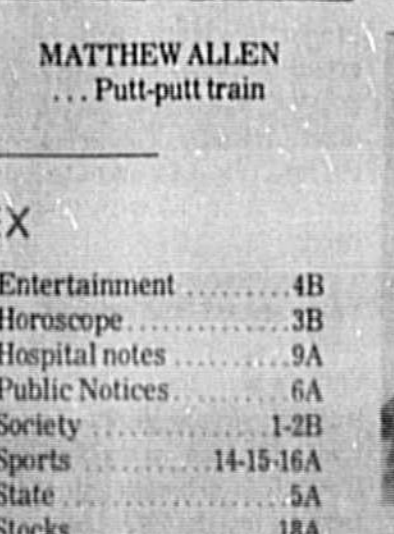
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Season's Sales Soar, Retail Stores Claim

By DONNA ESTES
Herald Staff Writer

Sales equalled and surpassed those registered a year ago during the Christmas season at Seminole County shops, a local energy crisis and tight money notwithstanding.

"We are seeing the best year Penn's of Sanford has ever had," said E.C. Elser, store manager. "The people were more selective of what they were buying and we had more merchandise for them to credit from than ever before."

"The normal trend in credit buying was followed," he said, noting percentage figures are not yet available.

Charles Tebenbaum, manager of Manuel Jacobson's Department Store of Sanford feels the energy crisis was a big plus in the store's boosted business.

"The energy crisis probably kept more people in Sanford to shop," he said. "Business was very good, better than last year. We were very busy Friday, Saturday and Christmas Eve," he said.

Montgomery-Ward's Casselberry store was up in sales over last year. "Business was soft just before Christmas, but a sizeable increase was recorded," said Sally Fleming, manager.

"The energy crisis did not effect business to any degree. Most of our customers live close by. Even though there is a gasoline shortage nationally, it is plentiful here if one wants to buy it," Fleming said.

"Christmas lighting sales were down, but this was anticipated and we did not push sales in this area at all," he said. "Business was up over the previous year, but not to the point before uncertainties in the economy. Basically we had the right merchandise at the right time and sales on Christmas Eve were up 40 per cent," he said.

"We do feel customers were a little late shopping this year. We had a last minute rush and credit buying was at the normal level of 52 per cent of sales," Fleming said.

Ed Fryer, manager of the new Sanford Zayre's store

experiencing its first Christmas, opening in August, was "satisfied" with business.

"We had a successful Christmas season," Smith said.

Roger Wright, manager of Sanford's Eckerd store, said business was about the same as last year, although Sunday business was off. He said a decline was seen in permanent Christmas tree sales and noted since a shortage will probably occur next year in artificial tree production, the leftover trees will be stored for sale then.

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LITTLE JOHNNIE GASKIN
... With Mrs. Henry Schumacher, Seminole Mother's March chairman

Poster Child Named For Central Florida

Johnnie Gaskin, a lively five-year old, has been named 1974 March of Dimes Poster Child for Central Florida. Johnny was born with bilateral club feet, and thus must wear braces in order to walk. He is a resident of Winter Garden and the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Gaskin of South Foster Avenue.

Johnnie will help represent some quarter of a million infants who are born with birth defects annually in our country. He has been under constant treatment at Orange Memorial Hospital and has undergone several major operations. But, his disability has not affected his mobility. Johnnie can scamper through the house like a jackrabbit and his energy is not limited to just his walking. Visitors are constantly amazed at the little boy's inquisitive mind and his endless stream of questions.

The March of Dimes is constantly improving ways of treatment for children like Johnnie. The March of Dimes supports the Genetic Counseling Clinic at Sunland Hospital as well as the two birth defect treatment and evaluation centers at the University of Florida and the University of Miami.

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