

Will Hold Armbruster Rites Friday

Friends and acquaintances were greatly shocked Wednesday morning when it was learned that Steve Armbruster passed away suddenly Tuesday night. Mr. and Mrs. Armbruster were in Fort Wayne, Indiana, where they were visiting their daughter, Mrs. Esther Walker. The Armbrusters reside in the old Chaney Hamilton place on the north side of town on Route 61.

Stephen Iva Armbruster, 70, was born in Shelby, January 6, 1879. He made his home there until 1933 when he moved to Plymouth. Mr. Armbruster was well-known in Shelby where he followed the machinists' trade, being employed in several manufacturing plants. At the turn of the century he became interested in automobiles and at one time was a dealer.

Taking up his home in Plymouth he became employed in the plant of the Fate-Root-Heath Co. Possessing an unusual mechanical knowledge and ability, Mr. Armbruster served his firm and community during the war days. He was known best to his friends and co-workers as "Steve," and he held the highest admiration of all who knew him.

Surviving are his wife, Bertha; one son, Richard E. of Shelby; one daughter, Mrs. Walker of Ft. Wayne; five brothers, James E. and Urban of Shelby, C. W. Armbruster, Lakewood, George, of Zanesville, and A. F. Armbruster, Akron; two sisters, Misses Minnie and Mayme Armbruster, Shelby; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 9:30 a. m. Friday at the Most Pure Heart of Mary church in Shelby conducted by Rev. Father M. A. McCadden. Burial will be in the Catholic cemetery. Friends are invited to call at the Barkdull funeral home at any time on Thursday.

Dave Bachrach Appointed Pack Chairman

At the special meeting of the Cub Scout Pack parents last week, David Bachrach was named to head the Cub Pack Committee for the coming year.

Den Mothers for Den One are Mrs. Earl McQuate and Mrs. Donald Fetters. For Den Three are Mrs. David Bachrach and Mrs. Arlene. Serving as Den aids are Kenneth McGinnis and Madison Fitch.

This month's Pack meeting will be held this coming TUESDAY evening at 7:30 p. m. in the Scout Hut. Free movies for all the Cub Scouts and their friends start at 7:30 p. m. promptly so be on time for them.

Parents will hold their regular meeting while the movies are being shown. Don Einsel was named as General Ideas Chairman, Don Fitch as service chairman for the month of December.

Members of the Pack Committee will meet the 2nd Sunday of each month.

Plymouth Trims Shiloh, 46-25

By Jim Shutt

The Plymouth Pilgrims came roaring back onto the win side of the ledger Tuesday evening as they soundly trounced the Shiloh Hi Drummer Boys 46-25. The game was played on the local hardwood.

The Pilgrims, victorious since their opening win at Tiro, went right to work in the first quarter. The local quintet grabbed off an early lead and rolled it into a 16-5 advantage at the first period mark.

The Plymouth team kept right on going as they had the game away for keeps at half time with the score standing 28-14. The second string played the last three minutes of this quarter.

It took the Plymouth basketballers a while to get warmed up again but this they soon did and then it was just a matter of how high they could run the score. The score stood 35-19 going into the finale. Then in the last period the second string came into the game to finish out the last three minutes of playing time.

The Pilgrims were at their best Tuesday night as they controlled both backboards. The McMullen men displayed good passing and

T-B Stamps Bring \$4500

Huron County residents have responded generously to the 1949 Christmas Seal Sale, but there are still many Seal Sale letters to be acknowledged, according to K. C. Buckley, county Seal Sale chairman. Receipts at the middle of the fourth week of the sale total approximately \$4500.00.

The 1949 Seal Sale opened on Nov. 21 and officially closes on Christmas Day. Mr. Buckley stated that he hoped those who had not already done so would mail in returns immediately.

The mass X-ray conducted in Huron county for a ten day period with the Huron County Dept. of Health, Bellevue Dept. of Health, and the Huron Co. TB. & Health Assn. the sponsoring organizations, completed its survey Dec. 17 in Bellevue. A total of approximately 3200 people were X-rayed. This response by citizens of Huron County is considered good. The cold weather and the removal of heavy wraps necessarily lowered operations somewhat, so that an average of about eighty people an hour going through the unit was all that could be expected.

The response in the larger population centers of Norwalk, Bellevue, and Willard was excellent for the hours worked. 888 persons in Norwalk were X-rayed, 795 in Bellevue and 708 in Willard.

Dr. Lawrence and Miss Kistler announce that those X-rayed should receive their confidential reports some time in January.

Council Holds Last Meeting

The last council meeting of the year for six members of this body was held Tuesday night. Mayor Carol Robinson was absent as he was recently released from the Crile Hospital and was unable to be present. Mayor pro tem Whitney Briggs presided with all members present.

An ordinance establishing house and lot numbers, which was passed November 15, was given its final adoption and immediately becomes effective.

Salaries Increased The council also voted to increase the salary of Lytle Bittinger, cemetery sexton, to \$260 a month. The increase was made at the request of the cemetery board.

Fire Chief McDougal also received a small increase in salary. The job now pays \$400 per year including the increase.

Monthly bills were read by the clerk, D. G. Cunningham, and a motion was made to approve them for payment.

Tuesday night's session was the last official meeting of the year, and was the final meeting for Robert Fogelson and Omar Burkett, who retire from the council. They will be succeeded on the first of the year by Maurice Bachrach and George Cheesman, who were elected at the November election.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFER

Florence L. Roush, et al., to Roy A. Duff, jr., et al., 74 acres, Plymouth township.



Riches and expensive gifts do not alone make a Christmas merry. The simple, familiar wishes of neighbors and friends are just as important for a full enjoyment of the holiday. Mindful of this we are anxious to voice our homely, old-fashioned greeting: "To all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

The Plymouth Advertiser AND ENTIRE STAFF

439 LAMBS MARKED AT SPECIAL POOL

The special Lamb Pool that was held December 15, at the Greenwich Yards, proved to be needed. 52 double blue lambs were marketed at \$25 per hundred. 216 single blue lambs brought \$24 per hundred. This high percentage of blue lambs makes it apparent that sheepmen in the county have improved their feeding and breeding programs.

The red lambs sold at \$23 per hundred while link blues, which are good quality lambs but weighing over 100 pounds, brought \$23 per hundred.

The next Pool will be held December 29th. All producers interested in the Double Blue Club program should pick up their rules at this Pool.

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE CHRISTMAS EVE AT LUTHERAN CHURCH

Members of the Lutheran Church will present their Christmas gift of a Candlelight Service on Christmas Eve Saturday, Dec. 24th at 11 p. m.

The evening's music will be appropriate for the season and is under the direction of Mrs. John Armstrong, with Mrs. Marie Guthrie, organist. Soloists are Mrs. Joy Lee Ream, Orva Dawson and Eldon Sourwine.

The Lutheran Choir for many years has made it a practice to give their Candlelight service at this time and have spent many hours of practice on it. The general public is invited to attend.

Merry Christmas

The Christmas Greetings appearing in this edition of The Advertiser bring you a message of good cheer and a wish for happiness at this Christmas time. They are from the business firms, whose owners and operators extend to you and yours a sincere wish of joy and merriment at this yuletide season.

It would be almost impossible for every firm represented in this edition to send a personal greeting card, so they have taken the means of publishing their individual greeting with the hope that you will read it and accept the message as being a personal and friendly one.

CHILDREN, CHOIR TO PRESENT CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

"Holy Night" a miscellaneous program of songs, recitations, and dialogues will be presented Friday evening in the Methodist church by the Junior Division of the church at 1:30 p. m.

This will precede the Candlelight service by the choir with Mrs. L. E. Smith as director.

Santa Claus will be present to entertain the children following the program and will present a treat to the little folks.

Practice for the children is scheduled for 3:15 this afternoon Thursday, at the church, and Mrs. Lew is asks that all taking part be present at this time.

LOCAL SHOP TO KEEP CHRISTMAS MONDAY

The factory of the Fate-Root-Heath Company will close at noon tomorrow, Friday, and resume operations on Tuesday morning. The office will maintain its usual hours. For New Years, the workers will go back to their respective jobs on Monday, the second.

Presbyterian Choir to Present Cantata Thursday

This evening, Thursday, December 22nd, the choir of the Presbyterian Church will present the Christmas Cantata "The Child of Bethlehem," as its Christmas gift to the church and public.

Robert Spence is directing and Leonard Smith is organist. The general public is invited to attend the Cantata which is scheduled to begin at 8 p. m.

BEER SPILLS OVER HIGHWAY

A semi-trailer loaded with bottled brew upset Tuesday evening at 5:45 p. m. on State Route 61, about four miles south of Plymouth.

State highway patrolmen said the driver of the truck, Lawrence Stanley of Wapakoneta, O., apparently lost control of the heavy vehicle.

LEGION PLANS NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

Why go out on town on New Years Eve and pay big cover charges, when you can come up to the Legion and enjoy dancing, refreshments, noise makers and so on.

There will not be a cover charge. This is open for all Regular and Social members.

There won't be any more Stag suppers until after the Holidays. The next one will be Jan. 6, 1950.

Come on out to our New Years Eve party. Let's make this one bigger than last year.

RESTAURANT TO CLOSE SUNDAY - MONDAY

Due to Christmas coming on Sunday, stores in Plymouth will be closed, as is the usual custom. Mr. Don Levering, who operates Don's Grill, announces that his restaurant will be closed both Sunday & Monday.

HOLIDAY HOURS AT PLYMOUTH THEATRE

In order that employees of the Plymouth Theatre might enjoy Christmas eve with their families, there will be no Saturday evening or midnight show Saturday, Dec. 24th.

The Christmas Day program is announced for 5 p. m. continuous.

MOVED

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Burrus have rented the apartment in the Suttles Building formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Myers and daughter. They formerly resided on West High Street with Mr. and Mrs. Byron Ream.

Around THE Square

By Phineas Whitteosed
A BIG PAT ROBIN who either was bewildered by the mild fall weather or decided to stay for his Christmas dinner was fed Tuesday by Mrs. Christine (Grandma) Johnson at the bird feeder. Mrs. Johnson who makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. Earl Sheely of Mills Avenue dives much pleasure from watching "her" birds.

THE MILK FUND up at the Elementary school is running dry—in fact, by the first of the year it will be very dry and needs replenishing. \$10.00 a month is not a very big fund, but it does help a lot of little folks to get their necessary vitamins. This is a good opportunity either for a class, church organization or an individual who wishes to assist a good cause at this time of the year.

BEN BLANCHARD along with the other postal employees will really earn the double holiday, Ben said Monday was the biggest day in parcel post in the twelve years he has been assisting. One thing in their favor tho, no snow to wade through.

ITS CHRISTMAS again the world over, and as The Advertiser goes into the mails today, it will reach into the homes of friends from Maine to California, and from Canada to Mexico. It will bring memories to some who have made their homes in Plymouth in years gone by, and who still hold the Old Home Town dear to their hearts. We'd like to mention each subscriber by name, but that is almost impossible.

AS WE can scan down the list we find right at the top the Margie Teale in Atlanta, and William Fetters of Beloit, Wis., Frank Graham of Cove Orchard, Ore., Frank Squires of Chicago, Ted Close of Detroit, Carl Spence of Ed Cerrito, Calif. And then there are Walter Crum of Harrison, Ark., Mrs. M. L. Fenton of Hollywood, Mrs. Maude McCormick of New York City, Rev. R. C. White of New Haven, Conn., Arthur Myers of Tucson, Arizona, Mrs. L. C. McDaniel of Sunflower, Kansas. And in Sarasota, Fla., we find Sam Nimmons, and Willard Caldwell of Oxnard, Calif., and Mrs. R. R. Ashe of Birmingham, Ala. (that's my sister) . . . Well, we could go on forever, at least another hour, but it's press time, and folks, it's the same old story and the same old words . . . Merry Christmas. But we never get tired of saying them.

IN A FALL late Wednesday afternoon, "County Line" John Daniels suffered a bad fall on his face and scratched hands. The mishap occurred quite a distance from the Brown & Miller Hardware store on the outer edge of the walk. He was carrying a bundle of lumber and will probably be suffering from the jolt for a few days.

DON'T LET the kiddies forget to come to Plymouth Saturday afternoon for the big Christmas party being staged by the Young Men's Association. There will be free candy, nuts, etc., and a free show at 2:00 o'clock. I think I'll dress up as a kid and enjoy the party too, that is if I can hide the wrinkles.

JUST IN case you've forgotten to buy a gift, you'll find the stores open in Plymouth every night this week, including Saturday night. Don't expect the shopkeepers to stay open until 10 or 11 Saturday night . . . they want to enjoy Christmas, too.

STATION TO CLOSE

Glen Hass, who operates the Marathon Service Station, states the station will be closed all day Sunday, Christmas Day.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING

AT P. H. S. . . . Even though the bare ground outside doesn't do much for suggesting the Christmas season, upon entering P. H. S. you will be reminded that they're near Christmas.

Three high school girls, Barbara Fox, Helen Fox and Ruth Barnes put their heads together and have decorated the front lawn in traditional Christmas colors of red and green.



MAY THE WARM GLOW OF GOOD WILL AND HAPPINESS PREVADE YOUR EVERY MOMENT THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON

D. F. McDougal

Greetings

We extend our heartfelt wishes that your Christmas Holiday be rich with contentment.



DON'S GRILL
Mr. and Mrs. Don Levering and Entire Staff

Churches

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH
Rev. Anthony Wortmann, M. S. C.
(Rev. George Strak, M. S. C.)
Holy Masses:
Friday at 6 a. m.
Christmas Day at midnight, 9:30 and 10 a. m.
Concessions Saturday from 3-5 p. m. and 7-9 p. m.
Vigil of Christmas is a day of fast and abstinence.
Christmas Party for children of Sunday School:
Feast of Holy Innocents, Dec. 28, at 2 p. m.
PRAYER: O God, You have made this most holy night to shine with the brightness of the true light. Grant, we pray You, that we may enjoy His happiness in heaven, the mystery of whose light we have known on earth. Who lives and reigns forever.
(From the Midnight Mass at Christmas)

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Supply Pastor
Robert Sponseller, Supt.
10:00 a. m. Sunday School.
11 a. m. Morning Worship.
H. E. S. McKenzie, student at Wooster College, will be the supply pastor.
The Christmas Cantata will be presented this evening at 8 p. m. Dec. 29th. Important meeting of Session and Trustees.

PLYMOUTH METHODIST CHURCH
Leonard E. Smith Pastor
Charles Resseger, S. S. Supt.
Mrs. Willard Rosy, Organist
Mrs. L. E. Smith, Choir Director
10:00 a. m. Sunday School.
11:00 a. m. Morning Worship.
Theme: "The Guiding Star."
Friday evening the combined Sunday School and Choir program will be presented.
Christmas eve caroling by youth of the church. Please meet at the church. The C. E. Society of the Presbyterian church will join with our young folks.

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH
Paul J. Mumford, Pastor
Mrs. John Armstrong, Choir Dir.
Mrs. Francis Guthrie, Organist
Dec. 23, 7:30 p. m.—Sunday School Christmas program.
Dec. 24, 11:00 p. m.—Christmas Eve Choral program.
Dec. 25—Sunday School 10:00 a. m. Harold Cashman, Supt.
The service, 11:00 a. m.—Sermon: "The World Made Flesh."

Brownies Have Fine Display At Library
The Brownie Scouts of Plymouth and their leaders have furnished and arranged a beautiful Christmas display at the Library, and everyone is invited to visit the Library rooms and see the work of this active group.
It is of a religious nature, and features a little church and illuminated angels. Leaders of the Brownies are Mrs. George Herber, Mrs. Whitney Briggs, Mrs. Carl Lofland, Mrs. Robert Lewis and Mrs. Harvey Pangel. This group also has had two willing assistants in France Bevier and Suzanne Farrar who have helped with the Christmas caroling and other activities.

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We join the merry carolers to wish our friends the best of Christmas Cheer.
Plymouth Taxi Co.
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Such Lovely FLAMES
By John Scott Douglas
FRED DOBSON plugged in the string of lights and then stood back to admire the blue and red and green candle globes on the Christmas tree. Ellen left the table she was setting to study the effect.
"Nice little tree, Fred. Seems a shame, though, not to be sharing it with someone. This was our year..."
And then she stopped, and her face lit up pretty in middle age, grew pink. Fred knew she'd been about to say that it was their year to have the Robbins to Christmas dinner. Every year since their children had married and left they had either entertained their neighbors or had been their guests.
But now, by mutual consent, the quarrel with the Robbins was not mentioned. It was characteristic of Ellen not to blame Fred. And that took fort because Marthe Robbins had been her dearest friend.
Ellen sighed. "Godness! the turkey must be almost ready."

CHRISTMAS PRESENT



By Shirley Sargent
THE SMALL KITTEN called. "Careful," Marcia Raymond admonished her son sharply. "Don't hang those big balls down so low. The kitten will break them."
Gently Archie lifted them to a higher bough, drawing in the pungent scent of the pine. Only just saw that the kitten walked slowly under the tree unaware of the boughs tickling her furry back. His youngest brother had named the roly-poly butterscotch kitten Tupid. Young Billy was easily aroused to fits of anger. His favorite expression, under stress, was a liped. "You 'tupid, you big 'tupid."
Archie, his ten-year-old brother, Joe, and his parents laughed at the little boy's wrath and because the kitten was slower than the others in the litter, they named him, most affectionately, Tupid.
"Archie," Mrs. Raymond was hurried from all the excitement. "That blue globe is much too low. Tupid will get it. I don't doubt," she added pessimistically, "that we will lose half of our globes."
Archie could see that Tupid had no interest either in the swaying boughs or the brilliant-colored fragile balls. For two days Tupid had wandered carelessly about the house and yard. He wasn't playful or friendly and he had stopped purring. Only Archie sensed that the kitten was lonesome for his sisters and brothers and his mother. At first there had been four balls of fur and a proud old alley cat mother. As they grew, they had become playful catsters and through the house. But now they were all gone, including the mother. Just Tupid was left to keep. Even the black kitten with whom Archie had been given away. Tar Baby, who had been the boss of the litter, had been gone barely two days, and Tupid missed him.
"Well," his father's voice boomed again, as he climbed down the ladder. "All done in time for Christmas Eve. Come here, Joe, Archie, you too Billy. I want you to see this fine tree."
Mrs. Raymond switched the lights off and Archie shivered in delighted excitement as the tree blazed, illuminated by the strings of lights and balls. The magic moment was shattered by the sharp ring of the doorbell.
A rush of cold air came in as Mr. Raymond flung open the door wide to admit a bundled figure. "My father says I can't keep the kitten," Gerald Parks recited automatically, close to tears. "I have to give it back because it gives my father hay fever." Gerald went in another rush of frosty air, but before Mrs. Raymond had pressed a fat candy cane into his mittened hand.
Tar Baby huddled in the middle of the floor. "Watch it, boys," Mr. Raymond warned. "Let's just watch him. He feels strange here now; he'll be all right in a while."
Archie saw Tupid jump from the sofa with a purr of delight. Tupid circled and smelled at the black kitten until he was satisfied. Then his tongue flicked out to lick the kitten. Tupid's paws caressed him as his tongue washed him. The black kitten stood passive, as Tupid showered his pent-up love on him.
"Thay, mommy," Billy liped. "Tupid's kissing him, isn't he?"
"Yes," Mrs. Raymond agreed. "Tar Baby's Tupid's Christmas present."
Mr. Raymond's eyes swept his son's awe-struck faces, "No," he said firmly. "He's our Christmas present too."
Send in your news items early each week—it will be appreciated!

Mr. and Mrs. Gail Kuhn and family of Mansfield will be Christmas Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ross.

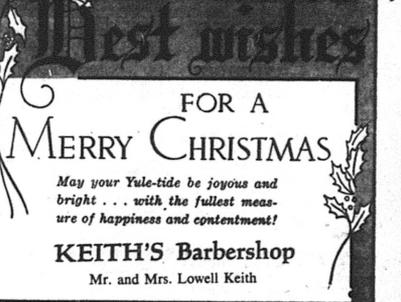
Miss Florence Mittenbuhler of the North Street Road was a Saturday evening guest of the Misses Daisy and Grace Hanick.



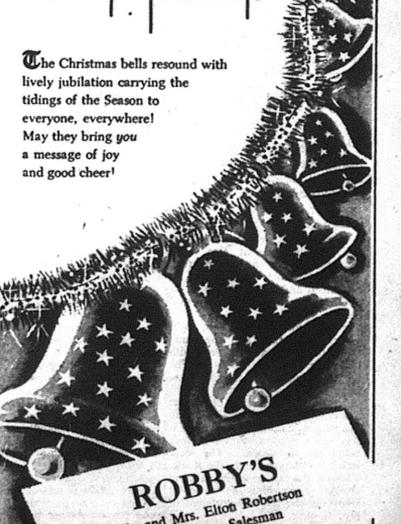
A joyous Christmas to all our friends.
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Mr. and Mrs. Al Koser and Employees



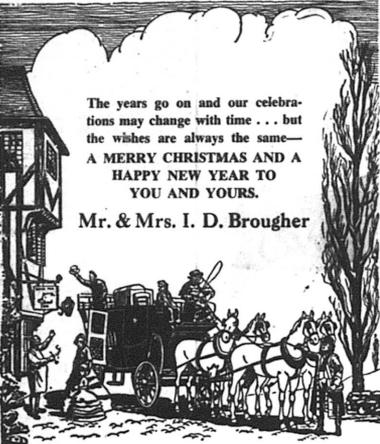
Greetings
—to you our friends and patrons. It is our sincere hope that we may continue to enjoy your wonderful patronage once again during the coming New Year!
Mr. & Mrs. J. F. Blackford



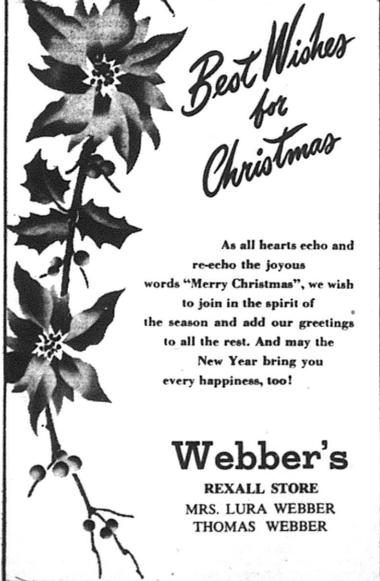
May your Yule-tide be joyous and bright... with the fullest measure of happiness and contentment!
KEITH'S Barbershop
Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Keith



The Christmas bells resound with lively jubilation carrying the tidings of the Season to everyone, everywhere! May they bring you a message of joy and good cheer!
ROBBY'S
Mr. and Mrs. Elton Robertson
Frank Pitzon, Salesman



The years go on and our celebrations may change with time... but the wishes are always the same—**A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU AND YOURS.**
Mr. & Mrs. I. D. Brougner



As all hearts echo and re-echo the joyous words "Merry Christmas", we wish to join in the spirit of the season and add our greetings to all the rest. And may the New Year bring you every happiness, too!
Webber's
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MRS. LURA WEBBER
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By then, beginning to fume at Tom's high-handedness, Fred had his property surveyed, only to discover that his garden had in reality encroached onto his neighbor's property. The fence was where it belonged.
Fred wanted to apologize, but every time he stepped outside, Tom walked into the house.
Within a matter of seconds, Fred was too busy to think of the quarrel. The little Christmas tree was on fire and crackling fiercely. He snatched up the door and screamed, "Fire! help! help!" And then, snatching up the ball runner he'd been planning to replace, he knocked over the tree and began beating out the flames.
Behind him Tom called, "Stay with it, pal—I'll get something!"
He was back in a moment with a rake. Lifting the smoldering tree with the tines, he hurled it out onto the snowy lawn.
Martha Robbins had appeared by then. Seeing Ellen staring dazedly at the cloud of smoke and the excitement as where the tree had stood, she opened the windows and then slipped her arm around Ellen's shoulders.
"Poor dear! And just when you were sitting down to your Christmas dinner. After the smoke has thinned out, this room will be freezing. You and Fred are having dinner with us."
Ellen looked happy but flustered. "But this was our year..."
"Nonsense!" Tom said heartily. "I'll eat with you next year."
"That will be swell," Fred said, beaming.
When they started Martha Robbins' bountiful dinner, there was at first a little stiffness. But Tom was soon joking about Fred's "high forehead," and Fred was asking Tom if he'd considered selling his hair to a wire-brush factory.
As they said hearty farewells later, Tom remarked, "Can't say I'm sorry about that fire, we've sure missed you folks."
"And it was all my fault," Fred said. "I was wrong about..."
"Aw, forget it," Tom interrupted. "How about some golf Saturday?"
When they reached home, Fred looked at the blackened wall speculatively. "No real damage done, Ellen. A coat of paint will fix it up."
"How do you suppose the tree ever caught fire?" Ellen asked. Fred grimaced sheepishly. "A match and a bunch of tissue paper may have helped."

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*Time Not Constant
In the Celebrations
Of Christ's Nativity*

While December is now the month in which Christ's birthday is celebrated by Christians all over the world, research and study show that Christ's nativity has been celebrated in January, March, April, May, September and October by various peoples.

And although few people know it, it was for the purpose of substituting a Christian festival for pagan ones of Romans and Druids that celebrations of Christmas in December were popularized.

No historian pretends to fix the actual date of Christ's birth or the date at which Christmas became a general festival.

About all that is known is that during the fourth century the feast of the Nativity was observed in all western world churches at different dates.

The confusion resulting from celebrations in seven months of the year caused the western church authorities to meet in 342 to set a definite date for the celebration. The eastern churches did not cooperate until the sixth century when December 25 was set as the day to be observed.

The question has arisen innumerable times as to why December was selected as the month for rejoicing. The answer is that this month was chosen in order that a Christian festival could compete with those of the pagans, because December was noted for its feasts and holidays in nearly every civilized land.

Greeks, Romans, Saxons and Scandinavians all took part in the celebration of these festivals which had originated before the birth of Christ.

From the Saxons came the ceremony of burning the Yule log. The Saxons burned great bonfires in honor of their god Thor. From the Romans came the giving of presents, for this custom has been traced to the Roman Saturnalia.

It may seem strange to claim that the pagan festivities might be the forebear of the Christian holiday of goodness and love, but intermingling that which was objectionable with things that have gone straight to the hearts of people throughout the Christian world.

*Santa Affected
By Restrictions*

It's difficult to understand, but the genial spirit of Christmas. Santa Claus himself, hasn't always had it easy. There have been occasions when laws or traditions or regulations have put certain curbs on the old gentleman. Here are some examples:

In Newark, N. J., Santa is required to pass a stiff physical examination before he can serve in a department store. And even then he is barred from kissing any of the children who perch upon his knee.

In Charleston, S. C., charity Santas have been forbidden to make a pitch on public streets on the grounds that children flocking in to see them may create a traffic



hazard. And in Washington a few years ago, when the postmaster general was asked to print a Santa Claus stamp at Christmas time he rejected the proposal with a scornful, "I should say not!"

Outside the U.S.A., Santa has had trouble, too. In Montreal, Canada an influential organization fought against holding of the city's annual Santa Claus parade on the ground that it was "merely a display of grotesque and vulgar buffoonery." A prominent journalist in Rio de Janeiro fostered a movement to do away with Santa Claus (Papa Noel) in Brazil and substitute a toy-bearing grandfather Indian. In Mexico City the minister of education recommended that the Aztec god Quetzalcoatl, instead of St. Nick, should bring gifts to children.

In the field of opinion, Santa has encountered some detractors. Prof. Ivan E. McDougle, sociologist at Goucher college, Baltimore, declared: "The Santa Claus myth has lived too long. Parents should substitute philosophy—whatever that is. A Toronto psychiatrist got in his blast. "It should be made clear to children," he said, "that Santa Claus is not necessarily a real man any more than any other character out of a story book."

VISITS IN MARION

Frank Pizen was a business visitor in Marion Monday evening.

New Haven Notes



... and boundless joy and happiness to all our friends.

MRS. ROLLA VAN WAGNER
Your Correspondent

BRIDE TO BE FETED BY SHOWER

Mrs. Gaylord McCullough entertained at her home several friends last week Tuesday evening at a miscellaneous shower for Louise Van Wagner, Evening was spent watching Television and Socially. The gifts were placed under a pretty decorated Christmas tree and later placed on a table before the honoree to open. She received very nice gifts from the following: Miss Jo Hesse, Mrs. Marjorie Smith, Mrs. Oleta Mitchell, Mrs. Jane Slessman, Mrs. Mae McCullough, Mrs. Jean Fife, Mrs. Trinna Vogel, Mrs. Esther Cook, Mrs. Phyllis Palmer, Mrs. Jessie Van Wagner and the hostess. A delicious lunch by candlelight was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Jane Slessman at pretty tables centered with a bouquet of red carnations and other decorations in keeping with the season.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon McCullough expect to leave soon for a month's vacation in Florida.

The High Road Sunday School Class will sing Christmas Carols Friday evening.

The I. O. O. F. Lodge is giving a Christmas party Friday evening of this week December 23rd at 8 o'clock at the Lodge hall for all children in New Haven under 12 years of age. Entertainment will be Moving Pictures. A visit by Santa Clause with a treat for each child.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fry of Willard expect to leave the last of this week on a trip to Florida.

Mrs. Frank Albright entered the Willard Hospital for observation and care.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fife, Mrs. Tisha Blinzley of Ripley, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd McCullough and daughters Phyllis Sanders and sons, John and Stephen of Greenwich spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Leon McCullough.

Bobby Penrose of Willard spent last week with his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Penrose and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Osborn spent last week Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Cox and family at Steuben.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Gillett of Attica spent last week Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Gillett and family, Mr. and Mrs. Thor Woodworth of Plymouth spent Thursday evening with them; on Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hoede and children of Greenwich and Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. Walter Boehler and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Boehler and children of Monroeville.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Smith of Richmond twp. and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Haycock and daughters of Bucyrus were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Smith and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Van Wagner, son Danny and Miss Louise Van Wagner and Dick Gropcock of Sandusky were Sunday Christmas dinner and supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Grabach and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Pagle, daughters Lois and Patsy of Plymouth were Sunday dinner guests of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gurney and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jones of Cleveland were Sunday guests in the home of their daughter Mr. and Mrs. Charles Myers and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schoen and daughter Delores spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rosenberg and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Chapman and son and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Buchanan and son spent the evening in the home of their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Osborn and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Osborn and children were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Corwin Osborn and family at Wakeman, Ohio.



Greetings

The Christmas Season is with us again and we wish to take the opportunity it offers us to greet our many friends, and convey to them our sincere message of "Merry Christmas—Happy New Year!"

Marathon Station
GLENN HASS
TOM LASER

Try A Want Ad When You Buy or Sell

WAITING FOR CHRISTMAS

By Joseph Brieg

"Daddy," says Betty, "I can hardly wait for Christmas."

"Same here, Dad," says Joe.

Huddled together for warmth, we are standing looking up at the stars, like illuminated ice in the wintry night.

"I wish we could see the star of Bethlehem," says Betty.

"Same here," says Joe.

The words fall frozen from their lips, giving forth little white ghosts to vanish in the dark. Frost has plucked the last of the flowers. Now the earth, virginal with snow, can bring forth nothing. Nothing but Christmas!

"Daddy, I can hardly wait. . ."

"I wish we could see the Star," Children, children! You can hardly wait? Child, you have Christmas with you always. You ARE Christmas. Christ lives in you, and you in Him. Never for a moment need you know the homesickness which covered all the earth before the first Christmas.

"Betty and Joe," I say to them, holding their gloved hands in mine, "keep on wishing for Christmas. Keep on advertising Christmas."

They look at me wonderingly in the starlight, their eyes shining.

"The world," I tell them, "is always trying to forget Christ. But the children of this earth won't let them. Every year at this time, hundreds of millions of boys and girls say over and over: "Daddy, Mommy, Uncle, Aunt — we can hardly wait for Christmas; we wish we could see the star of Bethlehem."

I bend a little closer to them, and whisper: "I can see the Star, I can see it in your eyes. As long as there are children, the star of Bethlehem will shine, and Christ will never be forgotten. Betty and Joe, you are the herald angels, telling us each year that Christ is born."

Meet Riburcio Vasquez, who became known as the modern-day Robin Hood of Old California because he often divided his loot among the poor. You'll relive the turbulent romance and adventure of this gay caballero who once declared: "Vasquez belongs to all women and all women belong to him!" Don't miss "The Love of Vasquez" in the American Weekly, the great magazine with Sunday's CHICAGO HERALD - AMERICAN.

FATHER DIES

Funeral services for Edwin A. VanBuskirk, 78, who died Sunday at the Shelby Memorial Hospital after an illness of several weeks, were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday in the Keiser Home for Funerals at North Fairfield. The Revs. Anthony Calvanico and Hilton W. Woods officiated and burial made in the North Fairfield cemetery. A retired farmer and life-long resident of this vicinity, Mr. VanBuskirk was a charter member of the Assembly of God Church in Willard.

Surviving are his widow, Anna, to whom he would have been married fifty years had he lived until Jan. 10; two sons, Harry, Norwalk, a Huron-co. commissioner and Ross, Plymouth; two grandchildren, three great-grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Hattie Hanville, N. Fairfield; a half brother, Walter J. Dole and a number of nieces and nephews.

Holiday Greetings to All

Lofland's Dairy
MARTHA AND BOB LOFLAND
BARNEY CLYDE CHARLES

Season's Greetings

To the many greetings that come your way, we should like to add ours—to wish you a truly Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

The **Point Market**
New Haven, Ohio
Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Points
Peggy Mock
Mrs. V. Haindel

Greetings

Once again we greet the gay Yuletide season — when young and old gather 'round in good fellowship... with a heartfelt wish that you and yours may enjoy the Merriest Christmas — and a Happy, Happy New Year!

Plymouth Grain Elevator
GEORGE ROGERS, Prop. JOHN GANZHORN, Manager
RUSSELL BAKER MRS. BESS BOGNER CHARLIE FOX NORMAN GANZHORN

North Fairfield Robber Caught

One of the two stick-up men in the \$2,731 robbery of the North Fairfield bank last June 13th was found Tuesday as a turnkey in the Marion, Ind. jail. He had been hired by Sheriff Vaughn Treber four months ago after he was picked up on a vagrancy charge and served an 11 day jail term. Treber took a liking to him and hired him as a turnkey. He read-

ily admitted he was Perry, alias Jimmy Burke, when shown a picture by Detective Capt. Hobart Whitton who had been thumbing through FBI circulars of wanted robbers and noticed the likeness to Perry.

Paul Boyes, 17, the other accused robber, is in Toledo, where he was sentenced to serve in a federal correction institute until he is 21. Perry will be returned to Ohio to face charges. He has a record of having served thirty-two years in prison for larceny, burglary and possessing narcotics.

He said he planned to go straight and liked his job where he was being paid \$100 a month and ate his meals there.

Holiday Season In The Grades

Students up at the new grade school building are really enjoying their new building and Christmas programs. Two beautiful large trees were donated by Jerry Caywood and Paul Stoodt and together with Christmas posters and suggestions, the rooms give a holiday air.

Friday morning the usual schedule will be observed in the grades, with parties and gift exchanges from noon on until 2 o'clock, when classes will be dismissed.

When the children return after the first of the year, students in the third, fourth, fifth and sixth grades will have new seats. Teachers will be required to use eight thousand pounds of material, in 45 minutes, which should set a record of some sort. The seats are of steel construction, unit type with maple tops and are the very best of material and construction.

At the High School, there will be eight one-half hour classes on Friday finishing at 1:30, when Rev. Paul Mumford, pastor of the Lutheran Church will give a short address and close with the singing of carols at 2 o'clock, when classes are dismissed until Monday, Jan. 2nd.

Drivers Must Get Licenses

Motorists must get their 1950 driving licenses by Dec. 31 or take a new driving examination.

The warning came today from the Mansfield post of the state highway patrol. Under a new state law, the current licenses expire in September. The motorists then have until the last day of the year to renew the certificates.

Before the new examination, delinquent motorists must first get a temporary permit for driving.

Dean Grabach Presents Football

Tuesday afternoon at the Shiloh Pep Rally, Dean Grabach honorary captain of the football team, presented his white football that was given to him at the Homecoming game to Mr. Dennis.

Engraved on the ball are the names of all the boys on the football squad, the name of the Queen and members of her court, the score of Plymouth and Cardington, Coach McEuglen's name and the year.

The ball engraving on the white football was done by Mr. Samaha. The ball is now located in the center of the trophy case, placed on the queens crown.

Rites Held For Roy Gathergood

NORWALK—Funeral services for Roy Gathergood, 62, chairman of the Huron-co. commissioners, who died unexpectedly Thursday afternoon in the court house, were held at 2 p. m. Sunday in the Congregational Community Church in Monroeville. The Rev. Elwyn Owen officiated and burial made in St. Joseph's cemetery.

Mr. Gathergood, a life-long resident of Monroeville, was elected a county commissioner four years ago and recently announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination to the same office in the May primaries. Thursday noon Mr. Gathergood attended the Kiwanis Club lunch at which Harry Jump, a fellow commissioner, was speaker. He was stricken with a heart attack upon returning to the court house and died a few minutes later.

He was a young man. Mr. Gathergood conducted a draying and ice business in Monroeville and later operated a van in which he hauled race horses from one county fair to another about the state. He was treasurer of the Huron-co. Agricultural Society, member of the Ohio Association of County Commissioners, Monroeville Elks and Roby Lodge, F. and A. M. He was also a former councilman and mayor of Monroeville.

Surviving are his widow, Ella, one brother, William, Monroeville; three sisters, Mrs. Frank Brand, Berlinville; Mrs. John Brown, of Clyde and Mrs. Joseph Weber of Toledo, and a number of nieces and nephews.

Bellville Topples Plymouth 44-31

By Jim Shutt

The Plymouth Pilgrims absorbed their worst defeat of the season last Friday evening at the hands of the Bellville Bluejays 44-31.

In the other games to date the scores had not been so lopsided but in this one it certainly was.

The Pilgrims played good thru-out the first half but never even got started in the final two quarters.

The Plymouth basketeers held a 14-8 advantage at half time. But this lead soon vanished in the third period as the Bluejays couldn't miss and they were in the van 24-20 going into the finale. They really poured on the coal in that final heat as the host team racked the net for 20 points while the most Plymouth could manage was 11.

The Bellville five connected on only 2 of 27 attempts from the field in the first half but they made up for it in the last half by sinking 13 of 33.

Meanwhile Plymouth connected on 5 of 23 in the first half and 7 of 19 in the second.

Larry Schreck and Dean Grabach paced the losses with 9 each while Stevens led 12 for the winners.

Reserve Game

The PLYmouth reserves lost a heart breaker 23-18.

With the score tied 18-18 and about 1/2 minutes of playing time left the second string varsity were put into the game to try and bring home a victory. But before they could score a point Bellville reserves had scored 5 and the ball game was all over.

Tom Rhine paced the reserves in this one with 7 points.

Varsity Game

Plymouth	8	6	6	11	31
Bellville	5	3	16	20	44

Reserve Game

Plymouth	4	7	6	1	18
Bellville	4	5	4	9	22

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL BROADCASTS TONIGHT

The third and last broadcast of Christmas carols and programs by students of Plymouth schools will be this evening, Thursday, at 8:00 o'clock. The group sings up at the grade school and is broadcast over the Fetters-DeWitt loud speaker.

Many favorable comments have been made on Monday and Wednesday night programs and in addition to the program tonight, the Band will present a Christmas medley.

HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

RCT. Richard Lowery of Chanute Field, Ill. is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lowery.

MOVED TO SHELBY

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Fidler have purchased a home at 24 Vernon Road Shelby and moved last Saturday. They have been residing with Mr. Fidler's parents on Sandusky Street.

ATTEND FUNERAL RITES

Misses Kathryn and Wilhelmina Gebert attended the funeral rites Monday for Mrs. Queenie Hesse-nauer at the Snyder funeral home in Galion. They also called at the home on Saturday.

SESSION AND TRUSTEES TO MEET DEC. 29th

On Thursday, Dec. 29th at 8 p. m. the Session and Trustees of the Presbyterian Church will meet at the church. This is an important meeting and all should attend.

TAKEN TO REST HOME

Mrs. Mary Stinger, 83, was removed Tuesday noon from her home on Trux Street to Boyce's Rest Home in Mansfield.

Mrs. Stinger who broke her hip months ago, is not too well and is unable to look after herself.

Mrs. Andy Whitmore who assisted in her care the past nine weeks returned to her home Tuesday evening in Greenwich.

LIST INVENTORY

Inventory listed in the estate of Mary M. Keller, late of Plymouth is \$7,698.

RULE ON COMMISSIONER VACANCY

In noting the untimely death of Roy Gathergood, chairman, Huron-co. commissioner, the court referred to the state of Ohio general code and quotes the following law governing the appointment of a new commissioner:

If a vacancy in the office of commissioner occurs more than 30 days before the next election for state and county officers, a successor shall be elected thereat. If a vacancy occurs more than 30 days before such election, or within that time, of the interest of the county requires that the vacancy be filled before the election, the probate judge, auditor, and recorder of the county, or a majority of them, shall appoint a commissioner, who shall hold his office until his successor is elected and qualified.

VERDICT FOR PLAINTIFF

The Huron County jury following four days of hearing the damage suit of Emery Hughes, Willard, vs. the B. & O. Railroad, brought in a verdict of \$1,000 for the plaintiff who in his petition had set forth that his 35-acre farm had been damaged by contaminated water draining from the railroad's adjacent property.

SANTA WAS EARLY

Last Sunday morning, Dec. 18, Santa appeared at the Presbyterian church school about 10:30. After greeting one and all he gave the youngsters gift candy and oranges as large as small grapefruit. Some of the little tots had all they could handle on the way back to their seats. Some children seem to be afraid of Santa, but not these folks—they could hardly wait to meet him.

BOWMAN FUND GROWING

The Plymouth Association of Commerce acknowledges with thanks a check from the Catherine Taylor Class of the Presbyterian church to be added to the Judith Ann Bowman fund.

Judith Ann Bowman is taking treatment at the Bowling Green Hospital to help ease the effects of infantile paralysis and the Plymouth Association of Commerce is sponsoring the drive.

The fund is scheduled to close soon after the first of the year, and any who desire to contribute to this fund are asked to do so by that time. The more generous the response, the more treatments will be possible for Judith Ann.

MOTHER DIES

Mrs. Walter Burrus, 87, passed away Sunday evening at her home in Hopkinsville, Kentucky.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Burrus left Monday to attend the funeral rites.

Dies Suddenly At Galion

GALION—Mrs. Queenie Place Hesse-nauer, 52, member of a prominent Galion family, died suddenly at 3 p. m. Friday in her home at 134 West Church street. Mrs. Hesse-nauer, life long Galion resident, had been ill several years with a heart ailment but her death was unexpected.

Mrs. Hesse-nauer's father, the late Burt E. Place, had been president of the First National Bank and an industrialist here. Soon after graduating from Galion high school, Mrs. Hesse-nauer was employed at the bank, and worked there until eleven years ago. Her husband, Walter R., is cashier at the bank and a 33rd degree Mason.

Surviving, in addition to her husband, are her mother, Mrs. Mabel Swope Place, well known locally, and two brothers, Lawrence and Horace F., both of Galion. Mrs. Hesse-nauer was a member of Thea Court, Ladies Oriental Shrine of Columbus, the Galion Garden Club, First Methodist church and Olentangy Chapter, Daughters of American Revolution.

Services were held at 2:30 p. m. Monday in the Snyder funeral home here with her pastor, Rev. Norman R. Somerville, officiating. Burial in the mausoleum at Fairview cemetery.

TO LIVE IN TEXAS

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne W. Hunter and family expect to leave the middle of January for Harlingen, Texas, to make their home.

Mr. Hunter is having a public sale at his farm 1 1/2 miles north of Greenwich on State Route 13 and has rented same to Roy Fishback of Greenwich.

INITIATED INTO PHI ALPHA CHI

BOWLING GREEN, OHIO — Among the seventeen students at Bowling Green State University who have been initiated into Phi Alpha Chi, national recognition society in accounting, is Donald Smith, son of Mrs. Maybell Smith of North Street, Plymouth.

AUTO ACCIDENT

Cars driven by Corley Reed and Howard Frederick collided head on Sunday evening near the Trux Street Corporation line. The State Patrol from Mansfield was called. The left side of both cars were badly damaged, but the occupants while badly shaken and bruised are said not to be injured.

RELEASED FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. Kenneth Eichelberry and infant daughter Mary Jane were released last Thursday from the Willard Hospital and taken to their home on the Shelby Road.

It's Just An Old Custom which we enjoy saying

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE

Weber's Cafe

CHRIS WEBER
HAROLD FARRAR
WILBUR KEELER

Greetings

We look forward each year to sharing with our many friends the brightness and good will of the holiday season.

Ford Repair Shop

T. R. FORD
HALDON MYERS

Greetings

We want to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas. May you enjoy the Holidays to their fullest. We also would like to thank you for your patronage and hope to continue to serve you in the genuinely helpful, smiling I G A way.

YOUR I G A GROCER

Wm. & Burton Forquer

Wishing you all the things that hold a true meaning of Christmas... friends, contentment, peace of mind. May the spirit of Christmas dwell in your home and throughout the coming New Year.

Peoples Store
SHELBY, OHIO

Merry CHRISTMAS

May there be a "Song in your Heart" all through a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

DUFF'S SHOES

MR. AND MRS. ROY DUFF, SR.
MR. AND MRS. ROY DUFF, JR.

Christmas Spirit and Cheer Felt In Club Programs, Meetings

Sunshine Club Has All Day Meeting With Mrs. A. H. Holtz

Thirty members, guests and children were present Wednesday when the Sunshine club held an all day meeting at the home of Mrs. Alvin Holtz, south of Plymouth. A covered dish dinner was served at noon with Mrs. Marshall Ross presiding at the business meeting.

It was voted to give \$12 to the Tuberculosis fund. In the attendance contest, the Reds are leading the Blues by four points.

A 50c gift exchange and social time were enjoyed.

A Christmas party will be held Dec. 30 at the Hazel Grove Grange hall with supper to be served at 7 p. m.

The next regular meeting will be held Jan. 19 at the home of Mrs. Harry Dawson and Mrs. Orva Dawson.

Garden Club Has A Nice Party

Ten members of the Plymouth Garden Club greatly enjoyed the pot luck supper and evening's entertainment provided by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Chatfield at their home last Friday evening. It was the annual Christmas party and exchange.

In the flower quiz, Mrs. T. R. Ford was winner and in the Neck Tie tying contest Mrs. Wm. Wechter was first.

The January 20th meeting will be held with Mrs. Ruckman.

Christmas Vesper Service Sunday At Auburn Center

A Christmas Vesper Service will be held at the Auburn Center Baptist Church, at 4 o'clock on the afternoon of Sunday, December 25th. Everyone is invited to attend. The Rev. Mr. Probst will conduct the service.

For those who do not know the location of the church, drive south on route 98 to the Dean-Aune kennel sign; turn right which is west, and follow the road two "country blocks."

Little Tot Entertains On Tuesday

Terry Gebert was hostess last Tuesday to members of the Kindergarten class at the home of Mrs. H. H. Fackler. Terry was honored with the singing of "Happy Birthday" and choosing the games, after which chocolate milk, cup cakes with candles and candy canes were served.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Searl White and son Jack of Shelby and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fox and son Michael of Willard rural enjoyed dinner on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Proctor Fox and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Earl and family of North Fairfield were callers Sunday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Jessie Holtz and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Markley and children will be guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Lockhart of Crestline, Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ramsey and children to Detroit on Tuesday and were accompanied home by their daughter Janice, who is a student at Ohio Wesleyan.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sheely and Mrs. Christine Johnson enjoyed last Sunday in Mansfield, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilson and son and R. O. Clark.

Miss Gwen Webber of New York is enjoying the holiday vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Webber.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rudd and daughter Judy of Cavanaugh Lake, Chelsea, Mich., are expected Friday to spend the holiday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Ginty. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Fenner and daughter will join the group for Christmas dinner.

DISMISSED FROM HOSPITAL

Robert Grove, Jr. was dismissed Wednesday from the Mansfield General hospital. He is taken to his home on Shelby R. D. 3. He is getting along nicely.

GRANTS DIVORCE

Patricia Miller, Greenwich, was granted a divorce from her husband, Clarence, same village, on grounds of neglect and cruelty. Custody of couple's two children went to the mother. A property settlement between the parties was approved by the court with the defendant ordered to pay toward the support of his children.

Classes Enjoy Joint Christmas Party

Members of the Catherine Taylor and the Nora Wyandt Class of the Presbyterian church held a joint Christmas meeting and party Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Harry Dixon. Mrs. Francis Miller was co-hostess.

The Christmas devotions were conducted by Mrs. Betty Fetters and Mrs. Edna Dick followed by a social hour. Instead of the usual gift exchange, the groups decided to send a Care package overseas and \$9.50 was contributed for this fund. More donations for this purpose will be turned in later.

Lovely refreshments were served to the members and one guest, Mrs. Joe Burre. The January meeting was a nounced for the home of Mrs. Gladys Fetters.

Maid of the Mist Club Meet At Bivins Home

Maid of the Mist club met at the home of Mrs. Whitney Brigt with Mrs. Lucy Pugh as hostess for their Christmas meeting, Thursday, December 15th. Mrs. Wm. Luck Christmas dinner was served to twenty-six members and two guests.

After the program an exchange of gifts between secret sisters was made. The group enjoyed the hospitality of Mrs. Briggs and the very nice party.

Art Appreciation Club

Mrs. Elmer Colbert, Mrs. C. Young and Mrs. Bob Young were in Willard Thursday attending the annual Lee Banco club held with Mrs. Wm. Young. There was an annual Christmas party and exchange.

The January meeting will be with Mrs. Colbert.

Willard Club Entertained Here

The Kings and Queens Club of Willard were guests Sunday evening at the home of Mrs. Wm. Roger Ross for their annual Christmas party. The group played pin-ocle with prizes awarded to Robert King, Betty Williams, first, and Mrs. Elaine King and Paul Reed, low.

The Christmas swap was a feature of the evening with a very nice dinner served before the guests departed.

Garden of Eat'n Hold Party For Employees

Christmas at the Garden of Eat'n, December 22nd, employees of the Garden of Eat'n will hold their annual turkey dinner and Christmas exchange in dining room of the restaurant. Mrs. Maude Shade is the proprietor.

D. of U. V. Enjoy Christmas Party

Miss Florence Danner who is teaching in Mansfield and occupying the Droz Home invited members of Shelby Tent, D. of U. V. to hold their Christmas party with her.

The home was beautifully decorated for the occasion, a Christmas tree was added to the atmosphere and a gift exchange was featured. A cooperative chicken dinner preceded the evening's festivities.

Mrs. May Leech Fenton of Hollywood, Calif. has written several very nice letters to different members of the organization, which were read and enjoyed.

Gifts were given by Mrs. Mabel McFadden and Miss Helen King.

Auburn Center Grange Christmas Meeting

There will be a Christmas program at the Auburn Center Grange on this Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

Brownie Party Friday, December 30th

Members of the Brownie troop will hold their Christmas party on Friday, December 30th between the hours of 7 and 8 at the Scout Hut. There will be no troop meeting this week.

Entertains With Party At Sister's Home In Plymouth

Miss Elsie Swanger of Shelby entertained Friday evening at the home of her sister, Mrs. Leland Pugh on Sandusky street in Plymouth, with a Christmas party. Games, a gift exchange, favors and refreshments were enjoyed during the evening.

Observe 40th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. M. Kruger of Plymouth celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary last Saturday.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. J. Vandenberg, Mr. and Mrs. W. Peterson of Plymouth, Mr. and Mrs. C. Vanderpuy, Mr. and Mrs. John Franzen and Mr. Phillip Lindeman of Willard.

Mr. and Mrs. Kruger wish to thank all their friends and those who were unable to be present for the nice presents and lovely cards.

Friendship Class

Twenty-five members of the Friendship Class of the Methodist Church enjoyed a Christmas party, Tuesday evening, in the church parlors, with Miss Jessie Cole, Mrs. Jessie Holtz, Mrs. James St. Clair and Mrs. H. O. Downend as hostesses.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Miss Jessie Cole, the minutes were read by the secretary Mrs. Bertha Seahons and treasurer's report by Miss Alta McGinley.

After singing "Joy to the World" by the class, Mrs. C. R. McKeek-n presented a splendid devotional service, with Mrs. Thurman Ford and Mrs. Downend reading from the Bible, the chapters in Luke and Matthew relating to the birth of Jesus and where born. Mrs. McKeek-n told the story of the Nativity, followed by the singing of "Holy Night."

Cards of appreciation were read from Mrs. Daisy Reynolds, H. M. Hensler of the Kentucky Henderson Settlement, Mrs. K. E. Buehler of St. Petersburg, Florida, and Mrs. Anna Ross and many members were remembered with Christmas cards.

Mrs. H. Brooks who had charge of the entertainment read a Christmas story on observing Christmas and in the roll call, Mrs. Smith recited "The Gift of Self" and "The Gift of Others" and sang "Holy Night."

Mrs. George Hersheiser received the prize for selling the most rugs, Mrs. George Young received the prize for the class, received a rug as a Christmas gift.

The Christmas gift exchange was held from a beautifully decorated Christmas tree. Delicious refreshments in keeping with the season was served by the hostesses.

MYF Enjoy Party

Highlighting the Christmas party of the MYF last Sunday evening at the Methodist parsonage was the reading of the Christmas parable and singing of carols led by Leonard Smith with the closing candle light service and benediction in charge of Janet Smith.

Holly Pitzten arranged the entertainment for the evening which included various parlor games and Christmas exchange. Following the serving of refreshments to sixteen members, Connie and Charles Hannum, Jerry Johnson and Frances Bevier accompanied by Guy Bishop rendered several instrumental selections.

Children At Lutheran Home In Springfield Remembered

Mrs. Ned Earnest welcomed members of the Lutheran Ladies' Aid at her home on D. St., Tuesday the 13th for a covered dish dinner and Christmas meeting. Decorations in keeping with the season and Christmas luncheon sets, upon which bright red ribbon favors to be worn during the season, were placed, added much to the festive occasion.

Parcels for the children at Osterlen Orphan's Home at Springfield were brought by members who had chosen a child's name. These with packages for the gift exchange made it seem as tho old Santa had arrived ahead of the scheduled time.

All 57 packages were delivered on Thursday at the home by Rev. and Mrs. Mumford. Mrs. Earnest and Mrs. Nimmo—all of whom greatly enjoyed their trip thru the buildings. The home is expecting two Hungarian children, aged 8 & 10, who are displaced persons to arrive any day—and Plymouth's Aid will clothe the little girl.

At the business meeting it was decided to remember all shut-ins of the church with a gift and that the January meeting would be preceded by a planned dinner to be served for 50 cents.

Auto Call Employees Dine At New Haven

The office force of the AUTO Call of Shelby enjoyed their Christmas party and dinner Tuesday evening at the Garden of Eat'n in New Haven.

AN ADVERTISER SUBSCRIPTION MAKES AN IDEAL GIFT.

To Honor Class

Next Sunday at 10:30 the Presbyterian church school will present awards to the class which has been the most regular in attendance for the past year.

We sincerely hope that every member of the church school who can be present for the occasion. These young people should be complimented on their splendid record of attendance.

In appreciation of the work done by our church school staff, each will receive a token of appreciation for the splendid cooperation and achievements made through the past year.

We hope that everyone will make a special effort to be present.

Sixth Birthday For Louis McPherson

On Saturday a happy group of fourteen youngsters were at the home of Louis McPherson to wish him a Happy Birthday, and to enjoy the afternoon of games and fun, which included of course, birthday refreshments and Holiday decorations throughout the house.

Those attending were Cheryl Faust, Robin Root, Fate Chirney, Judy Fetters, Carl Ganzhorn, Steven Lockenberry, Benny Root, Lynn Bachrach, Danny Carter, Linda Robertson, Heather Morrison, Jean and Linda Pitzten, and Bonnie McPherson, all of whom remembered Louis with little birthday gifts, in honor of his sixth natal day.

Assisting Mrs. McPherson for the afternoon were Alice Mumca and Holly Pitzten.

Coming Home For Christmas

Most of the young men and women attending colleges and universities are expected to spend the holiday season with their respective parents and families; enrolled at Bowling Green are Donald Smith, Warren Wirt, Miriam June Johnson, Robert Croy; at Ohio State, Mary Alice Weller and Bonnie McPherson; at Case, Jeanne and Natalie McKown, Wm. H. Wittenberg; George Shaffer; Wood-land; Eldon Sourwine, Gordon Seabolt, Paul Scott; Washington, D. C.: James Rhine and Elsworth Ford.

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Home From College

SPRINGFIELD, O.—Carl Ross son of Mrs. M. Ross of Chatfield, is one of 1307 Wittenberg College students who will begin a two-week Christmas vacation Dec. 21. Ross, a junior, is majoring in music at the Lutheran college.

Letters To Santa...

Dear Santa Clause
I am a little girl in the first grade and my name is Linda Lou Hinch. Will you please bring me a cash register, baby buggy, doll baby, Santa Clause and his reindeer's all candy, and a bank full of candy and please don't forget my little brother.

Yours truly
Linda Lou Hinch

Dear Santa Clause:
I've been a good girl and eat my lunch, since I heard you on the radio, so please bring me some of these things, a doll with red hair, and teeth, a baby buggy, a cash register, sewing machine, some games, and 3 puzzles to take to school.

Beverly Anne Z Lynch

SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Dear Santa:
Cheryl Faust wants a bathinette, dolly, buggy, Tidyie winks and doll dresses and thank you.

Dear Santa—
I want a doll and a wrist watch. That's all. Remember the poor children.

Thank you
Myra Brinson

Kindergarten Closes For Vacation

Mothers, grandmothers and all friends were invited last Friday for the Christmas exercises of the little folks at the home of Mrs. H. H. Fackler during Kindergarten hour. Christmas songs, poems, folk dances and a gift exchange made the affair a very happy one. Dick-ey Lewis served lovely Christmas cookies for the entire group. The class closed for over the holiday vacation.

HOME FROM COLLEGE

SPRINGFIELD, O.—Carl Ross son of Mrs. M. Ross of Chatfield, is one of 1307 Wittenberg College students who will begin a two-week Christmas vacation Dec. 21. Ross, a junior, is majoring in music at the Lutheran college.

PROCEEDINGS IN HURON COUNTY PROBATE COURT

Mary Vogel Estate: Carl Vogel appointed Administrator. Bond of \$1600 filed. F. J. Channing, J. W. Newman and E. M. Miller appointed appraisers.

Mercia R. Deering Estate: Inventory filed. Value \$11,982.30. Clara R. Donaldson Estate: Inventory filed. Value \$11,720.80. Willis Motter Estate: Schedule of claims filed and approved.

Ida M. Emerson Estate: Inventory filed. Value \$4,000.00. Mildred Beveridge Estate: Bond of \$500.00 filed. Roy A. Dove, Charles H. Terman and Cecil Humel appointed appraisers.

Clara W. Treiber Estate: Inventory filed. Value \$5400.81. Marjorie W. Wade Estate: Private sale of personal property ordered.

Victor A. Dietrich Estate: Schedule of claims filed and approved.

Clinton M. Smeltz Estate: R. C. Brown appointed Executor. Bond of \$14,000.00 filed. W. C. Linn, Eddie V. Myers and Floyd DeVoe appointed appraisers.

ASSOCIATION HEARS STATE PRESIDENT

State President of the Ohio Junior Chamber of Commerce, William A. Kestlar of Zanesville, Ohio, was guest speaker Thursday evening when the Plymouth Association of Commerce held their regular monthly meeting.

The affair was held at Peter's Pullman near Willard with twenty-eight members and their guest in attendance at a splendid dinner. Mr. Kestlar invited the group to again join the Jaycee Association and spoke on the Hoover plan.

A NEW GRANDDAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Brown are delighted over the arrival of their second granddaughter Kathleen Grace Phelan, Saturday, Dec. 17th. The new arrival is the daughter of Major and Mrs. C. S. Phelan of Washington, D. C. and weighed 8 lb. 6 oz. Mrs. Phelan will be remembered as the former Miss Betty Brown of Plymouth.

A NOTE OF THANKS

I wish to thank all who sent cards or called or helped in any way to make my stay in the hospital easier. I appreciate everything.

Robert Earle Grove, Jr.

LIST INVENTORY

Inventory listed in the estate of O. C. Adams, late of Plymouth township is \$17,848.

Miss Clara Silliman is leaving today, Thursday, to spend the winter at Miami, Florida.

TO SPEND XMAS IN SOUTH DAKOTA

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Holthouse and children, Wayne, Esther and Billy, left this morning for Mitchell, South Dakota, where they expect to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Anderson. Mr. Holthouse was employed by Mr. Anderson back in 1920-22. They have retained their acquaintance throughout the years.

SCHOOL LOOKS FORWARD TO HOLIDAYS

Plymouth school children are looking forward to their annual Christmas holidays.

Superintendent of schools, Glenn Dennis announces that the local schools will be dismissed on Friday, Dec. 23 at 2 p. m. and will resume on Monday morning, January 2nd.

While both Christmas and the New Years fall on Sunday this year, only Christmas Monday will be included in the school vacation.

Greetings

FROM YOUR FIREMEN

Don't let Santa come to Your House on a Fire Engine.
Be Careful with Candles and Open Fires.
Check all tree wiring for defects. Play Safe and Live to Enjoy a

Happy New Year

Plymouth Fire Department

Courtesy of The Ohio Fire Safety Committee
Division of State Fire Marshal.

Speaking of Christmas

SPEAKING OF CHRISTMAS . . . Throughout the world wherever Christmas is celebrated it is customary to place a lighted candle in the window . . . The legend is that candles originally were set out to light the Christ child's way as he made his visits through the children . . . One explanation of the custom of hanging stockings on Christmas Eve recalls the baronial halls of England where huge fireplaces were constantly in use . . . Each Christmas a special log, the Yule log, was thrown on the fire . . . This log burned steadily as long as the feasting and celebrating continued. Naturally, it burned with a pungent odor and stockings were hung over the fireplace to absorb some of this odor and to protect the owners from evil spirits . . . Christmas Eve, 1863.



saw a near tragedy in Virginia City, Nevada . . . Just as dawn was breaking, they embarked on a perilous promenade over the town's rooftops . . . A policeman, mistaking them for burglars, drew his revolver and prepared to shoot—but a passerby stopped him . . . Had he fired and the bullets found the mark, the world would have been deprived of two great humorists—Artemus Ward (Charles Farrar Browne) and Mark Twain (Samuel Clemens) . . . Mince pies, so long a part of our Christmas tradition, originally had a deeply symbolic significance . . . The first mince pies were patterned in oblong shape, after the manger in which Christ was born . . . The crust represented the gold brought by the Three Wise Men; the many spices, the frankincense and myrrh . . . On May 11, 1659, the general court of Massachusetts Bay outlawed Christmas . . . Anyone celebrating, stopping work, serving holiday fare or deviating from normal daily life would be fined five shillings . . . The righteous Puritans were sure they were acting wisely—for how could good Christians condone the pagan origin of Christmas? Did not such a holiday encourage excess in eating and drinking? . . . It was 22 years before that law was repealed.



to all a very Merry Christmas

May your Christmas be merry and its joy and happiness spread throughout the glad New Year!

BROWN & MILLER
 STACY C. BROWN E. BERYL MILLER
 BILL and DORLA MILLER
 ROBERT and KENNETH ECKELBERRY

Greetings

FOR THE SEASON AND OUR BEST WISHES FOR THE COMING NEW YEAR!

Hud's Garage
 Darrell & Mabel Hudson
 Dale Baker

ALWAYS THE BEST —

USED CARS

FRONT END ALIGNING WITH **VISUALINER**
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BOURGEOIS PONTIAC CO.
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PLAY IT SAFE Don't Mix Gaiety With Danger When Celebrating Christmas

While Christmas is the merriest of all seasons of the year it can also be a time of tragedy if certain hazards aren't avoided and some particular precautions taken.

The National Safety Council annually points out that the Christmas holidays are the most dangerous of the year, usually replete with casualties, home accidents, fires and falls.

The council has listed the following "don'ts" and precautions which if remembered will help make this Christmas season a safe one:

The Christmas tree shouldn't be placed near a stove or fireplace. Don't give children any toys that could prove dangerous, such as those with sharp points. If toys are operated with electricity, be sure some grownup supervises their use.

The Christmas tree should not be decorated with lighted candles. Carefully-wired electric bulbs definitely are much safer.

Don't leave a lighted tree unguarded at any time. One should be on the lookout for fire all the time the tree is lighted. Especially dangerous is the practice of some families in leaving the Christmas tree lighted and unwatched all night long.

One should never use a rick-

ety, unsafe ladder in decorating the tree.

Don't place Christmas candles near the tree, curtains, paper wreaths or any other inflammable decorations.

Remember, the Christmas tree can be made fire-resistant. According to the United States forestry service, it can be done in this manner: Divide the weight of your tree by four and buy that many pounds of ammonium sulphate. Dissolve it in water—one and one-half pints of water to each pound of ammonium sulphate. Cut the end of your tree trunk on a diagonal. Put some of the solution in a jar and stick the diagonal butt of the tree into it. Add more solution as the tree drinks it up.

Don't be excessive about Christmas "spirits." Keep toys out of places where people might trip over them.

Remove the tree from the house before it dries out.

During Christmas you'll probably have many guests, so sprinkle salt or sand on icy steps and sidewalks.



END OF THE RAINBOW . . . The rainbow of at least one human desire had fulfillment at the end when Judy Sue Warschauer found herself face to face with the doll of her dreams—and it was the very one she wanted for Christmas.

Russian People Are Also Able to Say "Merry Christmas"

"S' Rojdestvom Khristovym." That's what a Russian would say to you if you were in Russia on Christmas day and he wished to extend the season's greetings.

The phrase is the Russian's way of saying: "Merry Christmas." In the past, the Russian's Christmas was closely associated with his church; but how the day is observed now that the religious life has been subjugated in the Soviet, one would have to be behind the "iron curtain" to know.

But it was not always like that. In other days, the Russian Christmas was much like the Ukrainian. There was a Santa Claus known as "Dedushka Moroz" and there were traditional gifts of red boots for children and golden slippers for young girls.

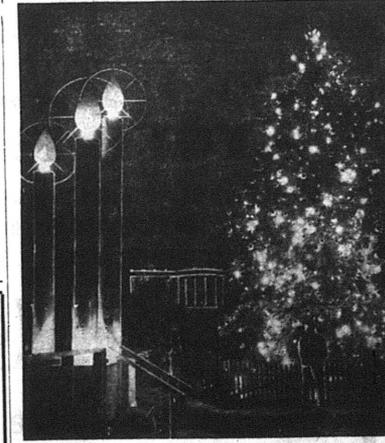
In certain parts of the country the "baboushka" (grandmother) was the legendary dispenser of gifts. According to one story, she repented of unkindness and ever since has tried to make amends by distributing gifts to children at Christmas.



CHRISTMAS SYMBOL . . . The light of the deathless spirit of the Yule burns steadily in every mind at this season of the year, but nowhere is it more beautifully typified than in the delighted wide-eyed look of a child experiencing the shimmering delights of his first Christmas.



SHIRT-SLEEVED SANTA . . . It's not a common subject for discussion, but Santa Claus sometimes does take off his coat and just lounge around in his beard and shirt-sleeves. However, this is not standard procedure, and it's mighty few Santas you see sitting on a park bench in New York.



PRESIDENTIAL CHRISTMAS TREE . . . This was the annual community Christmas tree in Washington, D. C., as it blazed with light last year. President Truman, at his home in Independence, Mo., pushed a button to turn on this holiday brilliance by remote control. The White House shows dimly in the background, framed by the tree and huge Christmas candles.

MAYOR ROBINSON IS HOME
 Mayor C. A. Robinson, who has been a patient at Cilia Hospital, Parma, Ohio was released Friday and is getting along nicely.

ABLE TO BE OUT
 George Farnwalt who received injuries several weeks ago when he accidentally fell, is now able to be out again and attend to his duties.

Hal Myers was the lucky holder of the prize winning ticket for the television set sponsored by the Plymouth Association of Commerce. It was given away Saturday evening.

Merry Christmas

We earnestly wish that all of the excitement, enjoyment and good fellowship of the Yuletide continue to be yours long after the Holiday Season has passed.

Plymouth Block Company
 DON ROE HENRY VAN LOO

Extending the Greetings of the Season

It is our fondest hope that this Christmas Day be filled with many warm and pleasant moments for you! And that the New Year brings you the fulfillment of all the sincere wishes that have been extended to you in the spirit of the Holiday Season!

The Hitching Post
 DICK and MIRIAM RULE
 JANE LAMBERT ELDON BURKETT

HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

Local boys in service who will spend the holidays with their respective parents are: Rct. Robert Metcalfe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Colbert, Rct. Kenneth Donathan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Orbie

Donathan, both located at Camp Knox, Ky. and Bill Trauger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Miller who is located in Georgia.

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Season's greetings

With volumes of good wishes, For Christmas joy and cheer And happiness and gladness, Every day throughout the year!

Plymouth Coal Co.
Levi McDougal and Family

Greetings

May all the good cheer and happiness of Christmas and the New Year be yours in every way.



SHUTT'S Grocery
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shutt
Jerry Schneider Jim Shutt



reetings

We look forward each year to sharing with our many friends the brightness and good will of the holiday season.

The Peoples National Bank
Plymouth, Ohio
Member F. D. I. C.

THE VILLAGE Personals

Dorothy Boys Killian

THE CLOCK struck nine as Nola J. hung the last bauble on the fragrant green Christmas tree. Without even stepping back to admire the finished effect she went to the front window and peered out. A cold white moon illumined a cold white earth. She shivered. How lonely she had been in this tiny, quiet village!

When she had written Jim two months before that she was being evicted from their apartment in Chicago he had answered, "I'm hoping against hope to be home from occupation duty in time for Christmas, and I can't think of any place more perfect than Pineville to spend the holidays and my terminal leave. Remember my telling you what happy summers I spent there as a child and how I'd always wanted to see it in winter? Do investigate this, as a Christmas present for me, Nola darling."

So she had come here and found a house. But somehow she felt that the villagers had ignored her as an outsider.

And now it was Christmas Eve. "He's not going to make it and that's that," Nola thought miserably. She knew that he had landed at San Francisco three days before and had been trying desperately to get a seat on a train or plane.

"It's me, Doc Ryan. We're on your party line you know, and heard the good news. My wife thought I'd better take you over."

The telephone rang. "There's a telegram just come for you, Mrs. West, down here at the drug store. Very important!"

"Yes!" Nola breathed.

"Chicago, 8 P.M. Am catching train. Get off Shoreham five miles east of Pineville 10 P.M. love Jim. Nola leaned heavily against the wall and stared at the phone.

"Mrs. West, are you there?" Mr. Trotter, the druggist, sounded anxious. "Listen, you go out in the garage and get your car motor to warming up. My wife'll be up there in five minutes to stay with your little boy, Harry now."

In joyful haste Nola peeked in at Jimmy. "Santa Claus is bringing you your Daddy, honey"— powdered her nose and put on her fur coat and boots.

The garage door stuck in its icy groove although she bent her whole weight against it. Suddenly, out of the darkness, a voice called. "It's me, Doc Ryan. We're on your party line you know, and heard the good news. I'm so used to driving out in all kinds of weather, my wife thought I'd better take you over."

"Dr. Ryan, I don't realize 'til just now how I dreaded that trip alone."

A train whistle shrieked through the cold thin air as they drove up to the little depot.

"We made it!" Nola cried exultingly. "Come on." She held open the door.

But Doc muttered, "I'll stay here and keep my feet warm."

Now the huge black engine roared past, slowed down and slid to a stop. A coach vestibule door opened, and before the conductor could step down, a khaki-clad figure leaped onto the platform.

"Oh, darling, darling, darling," Nola's heart throbbed as she felt once more the thrilling warmth of Jim's arms around her.

"Nola!" Jim said everything in that word.

A few moments later as they walked to the car a voice boomed from within, "Glad you made it!"

"Whoever you are—thanks," Jim answered. "It's people like you who made me want Nola to come to Pineville to wait for me."

"Get in and close the door. You're freezing me out." Doc grinned as he raced the motor.

"Christmas Eve," Jim said softly as they squeezed in with Doc. "You beside me, our baby just a few miles away, and a Christmas card place like Pineville to welcome us. Don't you love it there, darling?"

Nola glanced at Doc, thought of Mrs. Trotter and the others. "Yes, Jim, I do," she whispered. "Yes, surely do."

EVERYBODY READS THE WANT ADS — TRY ONE.

of Washington, D. C. are expected home for over the holiday, with their respective parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Rhine, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Ford and family. Jimmie expects to be sent out of the country soon after the holidays, on a government radio position.

Jim Negly, sophomore at Southern College, Lakeland, Florida, and Alan Kirkpatrick who attends Florida State at Greenville, Fla. arrives Tuesday for a two weeks visit in the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Neely.

Story Hour At Library Friday

As a special Christmas treat for the grade school children, there will be a Story Hour at the Plymouth Library on Friday of this week, the 23rd. It will begin at 6:30 p. m., and be over in time for the Christmas exercises at the churches, so parents are urged to let their children attend and then go directly to their respective church programs.

Mrs. Harold Shaffer, local librarian, will conduct the story hour and has selected one or two very interesting stories. Besides these, there will be carols, and those children who have not already visited the Library this week will enjoy the lovely Christmas displays for both adults and children. There have been many requests for a story hour and Mrs. Shaffer should be sincerely thanked for arranging one at this beautiful but busy season.

A large number of young readers have been added to the library lists and the circulation on one evening of last week reached a high of 119.

Displays Arranged
Mrs. W. Chatfield has again this year decorated the reading room mantel and it is truly beautiful. She also kindly furnished the Christmas greens and the Madonna statuette. The children's room shelves have also been attractively decorated and are enjoyed by the adults as well as the children. The librarian decorated a miniature Christmas tree in keeping with the season, and Jack McQuate furnished a star for the top.



Christmas GREETINGS

May the pleasures you derive from the exciting moments 'round the Christmas tree with your dear ones, linger and provide a host of wonderful memories to make the coming year a very happy one!

PAUL'S NURSERY
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stoodt and Employees



The Garden of Eat'n will be open on Christmas Day from 9 a. m. to 7 p. m., serving . . .

TURKEY DINNER With all the trimmings;
Also **CHICKEN, HAM or STEAK**

CALL IN FOR RESERVATIONS, PLEASE!
WILLARD PHONE 3460

MONDAY, DEC. 26th — REGULAR HOURS

The Garden of Eat'n
Route 224 West of New Haven
MAUDE O. SHADE, Prop.

You Can Pocket up to \$300 when you buy a FORD TRACTOR



Ford TRACTOR for only **\$1333. 25**

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GREETINGS



Up pops Santa brimming with cheer to help us wish you a most joyful Christmas—chock-full of all the most wonderful things!

Fogleson's Dry Cleaning
ROBERT & JANITA FOGLESON
18 Main St. On the Square

Merry Christmas



Here are our three Yuletide wishes . . . may they all come true for you!

GOOD HEALTH! GOOD CHEER! GOOD FORTUNE!

McINTIRES and EMPLOYEES

HAPPY Holiday WISHES

We feel genuinely pleased and privileged to extend sincere Holiday greetings to our many friends. In the spirit of appreciation for the confidence you have shown in us, we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Cashman's
PLYMOUTH SHOE STORE
MR. AND MRS. HAROLD CASHMAN
MRS. JAMES JACOBS

WANT ADS

FOR SALE—Chrome bird cage in good condition, \$5.00. Mrs. P. H. Root, Plymouth, Phone 39. 22-c

FOR SALE—17 pigs, 12 weeks old. Leo Barnes, Trux Street, Plymouth, or phone 0984. 22-c

FOR SALE—APPLES, good winter varieties. Delicious red and yellow, Jonathan, York Imperial, Greenings, etc., \$1.25 per bushel in your container, or pay extra for it. Sweet Cider made daily, 30¢ per gal. in your jug, or 35¢ if we furnish it. Hoag Fruit Farm, Rt. 224, Greenwich, O. 8-15-22-pd

FOR SALE—1939 Chrysler 6. Pass. Coupe, new motor and new tires. Inquire 202 W. Broadway, Plymouth. 31-c

FOR SALE—Philco 5 cu. ft. deep freeze, used one year. Walter Thrush, 51 No. Street, Plymouth, Ohio. 22-p

FOR SALE—A new house on Maple Street with full basement, new garage and a good garden spot. Inquire 163 Maple St. 15-22-29-Jan-5pd

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Hogs 25¢ Cwt.

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FOR SALE—Two late model electric refrigerators, six and seven ft., white enamel kerosene range, three burner kerosene cabinet range, apt. size gas range, large and small fuel oil heaters, several coal and wood heaters, pair galvanized wash tubs on stand, electric washers \$12.50 to \$55.00, all good ones, nice breakfast sets \$10.00 and up, studd couch, new style Simmons davenport bed, lots of shoe ice skates and sleds, family size lard press, grinders, china cabinets, two roll top desks, mahogany knee hole desk, Spinet desk and chair to match, late model dining room suites, lots of nice antique furniture and dishes, maple chest drawers, and tables, magazine racks, large fish aquarium, three corner cupboards, large and small, baby bed, play pen, Utility cabinet. See our large stock of good, clean used furniture. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and lots of good luck. I. D. Brougier, 76 East Main, Shelby, Ohio, Phone 605. Open all day Monday. 22-c

TURKEYS - - ALIVE
Hens 70¢ lb. — Toms 55¢ lb
DRESSED WEIGHT
Get them at our farm alive any time or fresh dressed for the oven Dec. 23 or 24.

HERMAN'S TURKEY FARM
One mile east of Sulphur Springs, Brougier, 76 East Main, Shelby, on Route 98, then north two miles on the New Washington Road 15-22-pd

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING
The regular annual meeting of Stockholders of The Peoples National Bank of Plymouth, for the purpose of electing directors for ensuing year will be held in their banking office, Tuesday, January 10, 1950, from 1:00 to 2:00 p. m. C. M. LOFLAND, Cashier 8-15-22-29cg

FOR SALE—Young frying chickens, No. 3 McCormick Deering cream separator, A-1 condition; electric range in A-1 condition; marrow fat soup bones, new crop, 13¢ lb. R. I. Mulvane, 2 miles south on Springmill road. 15-22pd

SET YOUR TREES IN MELLOW-PEAT AND PLANT AFTER THE HOLIDAY SEASON.
PHONE PLYMOUTH 8132.

FOR SALE—Coke and cordwood. Phone Plymouth 8132. 8-15-22-c

FOR SALE—1 sow and 7 pigs. 4½ miles out route 98 and 7½ mile south. Kenneth Fox. 22c-1/2

ORDINANCE NO. 201
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL, VILLAGE OF PLYMOUTH, OHIO, ESTABLISHING HOUSE AND LOT NUMBERS FOR THE VILLAGE OF PLYMOUTH, OHIO
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL, VILLAGE OF PLYMOUTH, OHIO, THAT:
SECTION NO. 1
WHEREAS, a survey has been completed by Charles E. Blosser, registered surveyor, and numbers for houses, buildings and lots have been established by the said Charles E. Blosser for the Village of Plymouth, Ohio.
SECTION NO. 2
As of Jan. 1, 1950, house, building and lot numbers established according to numbering placed on

Best Wishes for CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR too!

JUMP'S
MAX DON BILL

Kroger
LIVE BETTER FOR LESS

THE Season's Best
TO HELP YOU LIVE BETTER FOR LESS

CRANBERRIES 27¢
One can makes 2 Pies—Kroger Pumpkin 29¢
Kroger Stuffed Manzanilla Olives 39¢
Kroger's smooth, rich salad Dressing 49¢

PHILLIPS PUMPKIN PIE MIX 2 No. 2 39¢
SO-LI-CIOUS MARACHINO RED CHERRIES 8-oz. 29¢
SO-LI-CIOUS MARACHINO GREEN CHERRIES 4-oz. 18¢
MOTT'S APPLE SAUCE 2 No. 303 25¢
DEL MONTE FRUIT COCKTAIL No. 2 1/2 36¢
NONE SUCH WET MINCE MEAT 24-oz. 43¢
KROGER ANIMAL CRACKER 2 2 1/2-oz. 15¢
CHRISTMAS WRAPPED CIGARETTES cartons \$1.73
BETTY CROCKER PIE CRST pkg. 35¢

THE Season's Best
TO HELP YOU LIVE BETTER FOR LESS

SPOTLIGHT
Kroger, Fresher, Hot-Dated
lb. 59¢
St. Francis 2 No. 1 29¢
Boysenberries 2 cans
Del Monte Bartlett Halves No. 303 22¢
Pears 2 cans
Del Main Tender Corn 2 12-oz. 33¢
Niblets 2 12-oz. 33¢
Mary Lou Whole Dills or Sweets Pickles jar 19¢

SANTA CREAMS
Kroger's Pure Christmas Candy — lb. 29¢

KROGER FRUIT CAKE
Enjoy Fruits and Spices. Fine This Economical Christmas Treat.
4-lb. Cake
\$1.98

Sunshine Krispy lb. 26¢
Crackers box
Cross and Blackwell Plum 16-can 43¢
Pudding 16-can
Eric Shore Esterberry 12-oz. jar 24¢
Jelly 12-oz. jar
Lucy Lockett — Orange 2 46-oz. cans 55¢
Juice 2 46-oz. cans 55¢
Betty Crocker Party Cake Mix box 35¢
Kroger Pure Strawberry Preserves 12-oz. jar 35¢
Gold Medal Flour 5-lb. bag 50¢
Jack Frost 6-X Confectioners Sugar 2 lb. boxes 25¢

KROGER'S FRESH KOLL BUTTER LB. 66¢
U. S. CERTIFIED GRADE A. LARGE
FRESH EGGS doz. 49¢
KROGER'S OWN FRESH, FINE-FLAVORED EATMORE OLEO 2 lbs. 59¢
WISCONSIN BRISK, SLICED SWISS CHEESE lb. 69¢
SAVE ON KROGER'S FINER, FRESHER WHITE BREAD 2 lbs. 27¢
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FRESH BAKED AT KROGER CHRISTMAS STOLLEN pkg. 29¢

CRANBERRIES Cigarettes
Choice, Pick of the Crop, Eatmore-brand.
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FINE MIXED NUTS OR LARGE ENGLISH WALNUTS lb. Bag 39¢
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ORANGES California Navels—Large 200's 2 doz. 59¢

FOR SALE—The Village map, prepared by Charles E. Blosser, registered surveyor, submitted to the Council, Village of Plymouth, Ohio, August 1, 1949, is the official numbering of houses, buildings and lots for the Village of Plymouth, Ohio.
SECTION NO. 3
This Ordinance is an emergency measure, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, welfare and safety and shall go into effect immediately. The reason for this necessity is that numbering should be established in the Village of Plymouth in order to relieve current confusion concerning the numbering or properties.

CARROLL A. ROBINSON
President of Council
Passed November 15, 1949
Attest: D. G. CUNNINGHAM,
Clerk 22-29c

ORDINANCE NO. 204
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL VILLAGE OF PLYMOUTH, OHIO, FIXING THE SALARY OF THE CEMETERY SEXTON.
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL, VILLAGE OF PLYMOUTH, OHIO, THAT:
SECTION 1: As of January 1, 1950, the salary of the cemetery sexton, Village of Plymouth, Ohio, shall be Two Hundred Dollars per month, payable semi-monthly.
SECTION 2: This ordinance is an emergency measure, necessary for the immediate preservation of the peace, health, welfare and safety of the people of the Village of Plymouth, Ohio, and shall go into effect immediately.

WHITNEY J. BRIGGS
President of Council
Passed Dec. 20, 1949
D. G. CUNNINGHAM, Clerk 22-29-c

ORDINANCE NO. 203
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL, VILLAGE OF PLYMOUTH, OHIO, FIXING THE SALARY OF THE FIRE CHIEF, VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, VILLAGE OF PLYMOUTH, OHIO.
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL, VILLAGE OF PLYMOUTH, OHIO, THAT:
SECTION 1: Beginning January 1, 1950, the salary of the Fire Chief, Volunteer Fire Department, Village of Plymouth, Ohio, shall be Four Hundred Dollars, per annum, payable quarterly.
SECTION 2: This ordinance is an emergency measure, necessary for the immediate preservation of the peace, health, welfare and safety of the people of the Village of Plymouth, Ohio, and shall go into effect immediately. The reason for this emergency is that the raise in salary herein provided for is needed in order to obtain the services of competent personnel in the position of Fire Chief, for said Village fire department.

WHITNEY J. BRIGGS
President of Council
Passed Dec. 20, 1949
D. G. CUNNINGHAM, Clerk 22-29-c

The Advertiser will make an exceptional year round Xmas Gift.

Aged Willard Resident Dies

Services were held at 2 p. m. Sunday in the Secor funeral home Willard for Mrs. Ella Bechtol, 95, a Willard community resident for seventy-five years who died Thursday noon in a rest home in Green-wich.

Mrs. Bechtol, a Crawford county native, had been a patient there one month.

Rev. G. C. Heffelfinger, pastor of Trinity Lutheran church, officiated with burial in Centerton cemetery.

Mrs. Bechtol leaves a son, Elmer of Centerton; two daughters, Mrs. Charles Yearick of Huron and Mrs. Charlotte Kessler of Sandusky; fifteen grandchildren, thirty-nine great grandchildren, and five great-great grandchildren. Her husband, L. G. Bechtol, died in 1937.



FIXES THINGS UP

By Dorothy Boys Killian

"T WAS Christmas Eve but the group of people sitting on the floor in the Reeds' living-room certainly weren't in a festive mood. "Doggone!" Dad exclaimed as he stared gloomily at the shiny truck for that train for moan, and how'll he feel tomorrow morning if the thing won't run?"

"Maybe Ralph can help. He's coming here for me in a few minutes, you know," said Wilma, the pretty big sister of the family.

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EVOLUTION OF SANTA CLAUS

Christmas has rolled around once again and Santa Claus with round red cheeks, jolly smile and chunky figure looks the same as he did nearly 90 years ago.

His creator was Thomas Nast, one of America's greatest cartoonists. During the early 1860's he was asked to illustrate Clement Clark Moore's poem. "A Visit to St. Nicholas."

"'Twas The Night Before Christmas." The result was Santa Claus as we know him.

Santa's creator was born in Bavaria in 1840, son of a musician in a Bavarian army band. When he was a fat little boy of six, Thomas' father left Germany to enlist in the United States Navy, and Thomas' mother brought the boy to New York to live.

Along about the time stocky Tommy was 15 he landed his first job as an illustrator for Leslie's Weekly at \$4 a week. By time he was 20 he was sent to England by the New York Illustrating News to sketch the Heenan-Sayers fight on an outstanding sports event of the day.

In 1862 he joined the staff of Harper's Weekly and began the series of emblematic drawings which continued throughout the Civil War. From those he created certain trademarks that have been the inspiration of cartoonists down to the present—notably the Republican elephant and the Democrat donkey.

Famous as the political symbols are today, Nast's Santa Claus probably holds first place in the hearts of Americans. Before Nast's day, a few artists had drawn Santa on one occasion or another, but could not seem to agree on how the old gentleman should look.

Nast changed all that.

He located Santa's home at the North Pole and gave him a sleigh drawn by reindeer. He drew the familiar, fat, merry old fellow with red cheeks and white beard, dressed in red, wearing a cap and boots, carrying a sack of toys and smoking a short pipe.

The artist then gave Santa a spy-glass so that during the year he might pick out the good children from the bad, and also a big book in which to write their names and keep their records.

This conception of Santa Claus first appeared in 1863. Since that time, the pictured Santa has been the same, although the spy-glass and pipe seem to have been dropped by the way.



ARRIVALS

Mr. and Mrs. Leeland Predmore, 24 Summit Street, Shelby, are the parents of a son born last Tuesday evening at Shelby hospital.

Mr. Predmore is a former resident of Plymouth.

CARD OF THANKS
I wish to thank the hospital staff and Doctors for their efficient care while I was in hospital; also all my neighbors and friends for their fruits, presents, cards and help.

The Senior class, (my favorite flowers) I thank you; Rev. Smith,

Mrs. Rose Tuttle
Mr. and Mrs. Arch Myers

Rev. Haines, Rev. Miller and Mr. McKensie for their visits. I truly thank you all for everything.
LEVI McDUGAL
22-pd

CARD OF THANKS
I wish to thank the Lutheran Sunday School, the Auburn Grange, the Senior Club and sponsor, the Willard F. O. E., the Shelby Salesbook Co., the Shipping Department, and friends for the lovely flowers sent me while in the hospital. I also wish to thank the Alice Willet Class and everyone who sent gifts or cards and helped my family in any way. Everything was greatly appreciated.
22-pd MRS. HUBERT BURRER

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to express our sincere thanks to all the neighbors and friends who were so kind to us in our recent sorrow. We especially thank the ladies of the Sunshine club, Reverend M. P. Paetznick for his comforting words, and the McQuate Funeral home for their services.

Mrs. Rose Tuttle
Mr. and Mrs. Arch Myers

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Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Neill
and Family
Mrs. Lottie Lynch and Family
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and Family
22-pd

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I wish to express my thanks to Dr. Butler, Dr. Reed and Dr. Hanum, Miss Hoover and her entire staff for the excellent care I received at the Shelby Memorial hospital. And all who sent flowers, cards and gifts. Everything was greatly appreciated.
MRS. C. E. RIGGLE AND DAUGHTER SYLVIA DIANE
22-pd MRS. FRANCIS CUPPY

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I appreciate very much the cheery cards, flowers and gifts sent me while a patient at Crile hospital; also wish to thank Dr. Ford and Dr. Ballinger for their excellent service and all who remembered me in any way.
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A Christmas Wish

May the joyful pleasures of your Christmas Holiday become the core of happy memories for the coming year!

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SEASON'S GREETINGS

When Christmas comes, with all its joy and beauty it is a pleasure to express our whole-hearted greetings!

It is in this spirit that we extend our sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to our many friends

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May this Christmas-tide possess scores of wonderful surprises and pleasures for you to enjoy and remember!

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

The season of hope and good cheer is at hand, and to friends and neighbors we send our sincere greetings.

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ORVILLE GULLETT

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Our wish is brief — But very sincere —
A Merry Christmas to you
And a Happy New Year!

J. O. Schreck
Bob Schreck
Robert Hartman

Legend of the YULE LOG

In Virginia, the old Dominion, storied land of early American history, there is an old tradition of the legend of the Yule log that is retold every Christmas.

As the family sits around the Yule log and signs their Christmas eggnog on Christmas eve, the ancient legend is recounted again.

One very cold Christmas eve, when the frosty wind howled across a world of snow, an old man was sitting in his little cabin wishing that he had a fire to warm him.

Suddenly he heard the cry of a little child away out in the cold. The old man hobbled to the door and gazed out across the snow. The wind and the snow came swirling, and the old man shivered until his "outlet two teeth" chattered with cold.

The plaintive cry of the child came again above the whistle of the wind. It went straight to the old man's heart and he wished with all his power of longing that he might have the strength to go out and find the unfortunate babe.

The cry came a third time — and then a wondrous thing happened. A miraculous power filled the old man's veins. His muscles became strong and taut, his crutch fell back into the cabin and he stepped from his threshold out into the snow.

Hurrying over the snow with a speed he had not owned since boyhood, by and by he came to a little child lying in a snow bank. He bent down and touched the child and a great new strength flowed over him, a strength which seemed to give him wings as he sped back to his cabin.

Arriving there, he placed the child upon the bed, tenderly drew the ragged coverlet about it and then looked to see if there were a bit of furniture he could use to make a fire with which to warm the little one.

At that precise moment a great log rolled across the threshold and into the fireplace. The little child looked at the log with eyes like stars — stars which sent gleams of light that kindled the log with the most brilliant fire the old man ever had seen.

The dimly little room immediately was filled with radiance and warmth, and as the light enveloped the child he laughed and laughed with a melody like a song from the heart. The old man turned his eyes to where the fire burned and watched the flames leap in beautiful rainbow tints over the log, and as his old eyes watched, the colors seemed to form the shape of the Cross in the fire.

The flames of the Cross leaped higher and higher, blue, red, yellow and white, and as the old man watched this display, suddenly and magically there appeared a table in the center of the room, covered with a Christmas feast such as never before had been spread before his eyes. And never again was the old man hungry or cold, and never after that was there a Christmas to old Virginia without the Yule log and the Christmas Child to give light and warmth.

And that is the story of the Yule log as it is told in Virginia every Christmas eve.

The ideal Christmas tree is the fir, because of its tendency to hold its needles longer.

A final step in trimming the Christmas tree is frosting it with fluffy snow. A simple and popular form of snow is ordinary soap flakes.

Star of Bethlehem Continues to Puzzle Modern Scholars

Once again Christendom sees the Star of Bethlehem and, like the Wise Men of old, rejoices with exceeding great joy.

Astronomers have discounted possibilities that the star may have been a natural phenomenon since such phenomena occur too far from the earth to serve as any sort of local sign. Modern opinion is, however, inclined to hold that there was a Star — although the story probably has been touched by Oriental imagery.

St. Matthew suggests that even the Wise Men may have lost sight of the star while they were in Jerusalem; hence, they rejoiced when it reappeared to their vision as they approached the Manger of Bethlehem.

Come to think of it, astronomers have sought an astronomically authentic star — and found it not; historians have sought an historically human Jesus of Nazareth — and are still arguing whether or not they have found Him; even zealous theologians, striving to harmonize messianic and eschatological theories with the illusive historical and human Jesus, have sometimes lost sight of the Babe in the Manger Who from His lowly stable draws unto Himself all who are weary and heavy-laden.

Pressing close to that sacred Manger, Christendom glimpses the Star of Bethlehem once more and rejoices in the light of righteousness and peace which has conquered every tyranny that evil men could think of, the light that shineth in the darkness and shall not fail.

Finns See Evergreen As Mourning Symbol

Evergreens are never used as decorations in the homes and churches of Finland because the Finns regard them as symbols of mourning.

At Christmas most homes where there are children suspend a "heaven" from the living room or dining room ceiling. Such "heavens" consist of a cord framework covered with stars and different colors of paper ribbons, etc., and decorated with paper stars and silhouettes cut in various designs. The effect, when reflecting the firelight and the candles' glow, is mysterious and fascinating.

Candles are used profusely in the churches; the alters are banked and the windows are filled with them, so that in the pre-dawn darkness (Christmas morning services begin at 6 A.M.) the churches beckon approaching worshippers like brilliant lanterns.

After the early church services, the gayly decorated sleds race for home, bright robes flying and sleigh bells a-linging. Breakfast is festive, and then everyone takes a long nap. Christmas Day is not devoted to play or gift-giving; it is religiously observed, with intervals of carol singing and Bible readings. The day after Christmas is St. Stephen's day, and from then until New Year's parties and general festivity are in order. Although gift-giving is not an integral part of the observance, in some parts of Finland trinkets and useful gifts of wearing apparel are presented to children by Wainamöinen, the Kalevala hero of Finnish legend.

Legend relates that the crown of thorns which was placed on the head of Jesus was made of holly and that before the crucifixion the berries were white, but turned crimson like drops of blood.

Christmas..

With the approach of the Yuletide Season, our thoughts turn to those whose friendship we cherish so much, May your every wish be fulfilled this Christmas, and may your New Year be healthful and happy.

W. L. and R. L. FORTNEY
NIGHT CLUB

• Good Luck!
• Fine Friends!
• Happiness!
• Good Health!
• Prosperity!

May all these pleasures be yours this Christmas!

Plymouth Police Dept.
BOB MEISER ESTEL WATTS JIM RYAN

NORONIC VIGIB'S CHILDREN GET FUND
WOOSTER, O. — A little boy and his sister, orphaned when the Noronic ship fire killed their parents last September, will benefit from a trust fund started by former college classmates of the Lakewood couple.
The College of Wooster announced that the class of 1946 has contributed more than \$300 for Jimmy Timanus, 3, and his 15-month-old sister, Barbara. Their parents were Dr. James K. Timanus and Dorothy Coleman Timanus, formerly of Willard and well known in this area.

READ THE ADS

Greetings

It is our sincerest wish that the spirit of friendliness and good fellowship will make your Christmas a merry one — and that the New Year will bring to you a full measure of good health, success, and happiness.

JUD'S
Sohio Station
JUD MORRISON, PROP.
JIM GULLETT

Merry Christmas

Once again we pause as another joy-filled Yuletide season arrives, to wish our many patrons and friends prosperity, health, contentment and peace this Christmas Day and throughout the year to follow.

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A Friendship Tree For Christmas



Here is a new and novel way to show off those many Christmas greeting cards you'll be getting soon. Make a "Friendship" tree by hanging the cards on your Christmas tree where all the folks who drop in can see them. You be amazed at the amount of sparkle and color they add to the tree and how well they complement the other decorations. It is easy to do. Just tape them on the tree with loops of transparent cellophane tape.

Merry Christmas

From Our Family To Yours

THE OHIO FUEL Gas Company

Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus
My name is Jimmy Cobb and I'm in the 2nd grade at Plymouth school. My sister is writing this for me.
Please bring me a Dick Tracy car with lights and a siren on it, a coco cola truck, a fire truck with a siren on it, a toy accordion and a Buck Rogers sonic ray gun.
If you can't bring all of them, try to bring at least three of them.
Goodbye Santa,
Jimmy Cobb

Please don't forget my little sister, Phoebie Faye.
Thank you, Santa, and a Merry Xmas to you and all little children.
Sandra Nordyke

Dear Santa,
I am seven years old, please bring me a wagon, football shoes, billfold and handkies. Please bring my father and mother my 2 sisters something nice.
I hope you dont forget anyone.
Good By
Francis Briggs

Dear Santa Claus
Avery would like for you to bring him a cowboy suit and a lot of candy and I think he would like some fruit such as oranges, apples and best of all sack full of bananas.
love Avery E. S.

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a pair of house slippers, and I would like a cow-git suit, also a doll that laughs and cries and talks and opens and shuts her eyes. I would like a baton.
Thanks,
From Judith Broderick

Dear Santa
I am a little girl 4 1/2 years old and I have tried to be a good girl. Would you please bring me a doll and anything else you care to.

Plymouth, Ohio
Dec. 15, 1949

Dear Santa
How are you this year. I sup-

Christmas Wishes

May your Christmas be as
A doorway to good cheer,
Through which you will pass
To a Happy New Year!

**BOB and ANN
BLACKFORD**

**Wishing
you all
a very
Merry Christmas!**

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**BEST WISHES
for Christmas**

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**With Best
Wishes**

May all the joys of
Christmas be yours and
may your New Year
overflow with happiness.

**LASCH'S
BARBERSHOP
JOE CLYDE**

146 Maple Street
Plymouth, Ohio

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy six years old

and have been a pretty good boy. I would like you to bring me a model derrick, a dump truck a microscope set, books and nuts. Please bring my little sister something also. She is only 15 months old, so you can pick out what you think she could play with. Merry Christmas to you and I'll have a light lunch ready for you when you finish filling my stockings.
Good bye for this year.
Jimmy Caywood

Naturalized Citizen— That's Our Santa

Santa Claus as Americans know him is a naturalized American citizen, and as such is America's contribution to the Christmas legend. That's the opinion of Dr. Gustav O. Arlt of the department of German languages on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California.

"The Norwegians who settled early in America brought the first version of the modern Santa Claus, who in Europe had been known as St. Nicholas, but never adequately personally described," said Dr. Arlt.

"When the American Clement Moore described the jolly, rotund gentleman in minute detail in his poem 'Twas The Night Before Christmas," he assumed the proportion of living legend and thus became an integral part of Christian legend and folklore," the professor stated.

Archaeologists' Findings Bear Out Bible Stories

Archaeologists' findings attimes serve to further establish the authenticity of the story of Jesus. Only recently a group discovered the name of Jesus, carved before 70 A.D. and perhaps by an eyewitness to the crucifixion, among inscriptions on 11 early Christian burial urns found in a cave on the Jerusalem-Bethlehem road.

The urns may provide the "oldest archaeological record of Christianity" and an historical confirmation of the trial and crucifixion of Christ, the archaeologists said.

A sect of Hebrews, who followed Jesus, denounced Pontius Pilate and mourned the crucifixion of their leader, was believed to have left the writings on the urns in the cave.

The Hebrew and Aramic inscriptions contained common names like Miriam, Simeon, and Matti. The Greek inscriptions and symbols beside them contained references to Christianity and, it seems probable, to the crucifixion.

Plymouth, Ohio
R. D. 1
Dec. 3, 1949

Dear Santa:
I would like for you to bring me an electric train complete with tracks, a cowboy suit, a double holster and gun set and a wrist watch. And please bring my sister Christmas a tricycle, a big doll, a dust mop and an ironing board; we have been good kids.
Yours truly
Larry and Jean Ann Smith

Dec. 16, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like to have a B-B gun, and a ping-pong set, and a basket ball, and whatever else you would like to bring. Please don't forget Grandma and Grandpa, Momie and Daddy, and all the poor little girls and boys. As I am moving I'd better give you my new address, 24 Vernon Rd., Shelby, Ohio.
Thank You
Kenneth Fidler, Grade 2

Shelby, Ohio

Dear Santa:
My name is Martha Wilson. I help my mother set the table, wipe dishes and get in wood. For Christmas please bring me a pair of roller skates, color book, crayons and a doll.
I will leave a glass of milk and a cookie on the table for you.
a little girl,
Martha Wilson

Plymouth, Ohio

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a watch and gun. I am a good boy. From
Carl Ganzhorn

Dear Santa Claus
I want a doll, some books, clothes and a bicycle. Please bring my brother and sister something too. I have been a pretty good girl.
Darlene Kucinic
Plymouth, Ohio

Dear Santa Claus
We have our Xmas tree and I think we will have a nice Xmas. I would like some electric railroad equipment to go with my train I like farm toys and barns some candy nuts and tangerines.
Your Friend
Charles Williams

Good bye Santa
Ruth Ann Fitch

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Plymouth, Ohio

Dear Santa
I am 7 years old my Name is LaVonne Port Plymouth Ohio I want a bride doll, a game, a coloring book, crayons, play dishes, a doll house and a play watch. My little sister wants a doll and a play watch.
LaVonne Port

Dear Santa
I would like a boy doll made of rubber and an accordion, a twin sweater outfit and house slippers and anything else you want to bring me.
Janet Barnes

Dear Santa:
I have been a good boy most of the time. I want you to bring me a cowboy suit, 2 guns, little fire truck, and anything else you want to bring. Bring Bobby 2 guns, little car, a tinkler toy set. Also bring me a tool set. And bring Roger and Terry anything you want to.
John Wilson

Dec. 16, 1949

Dear Santa
I am seven years old and in the second grade.
I have tried to be a good girl and hope you come to my house.
I would like a baton and some clothes.
Please don't forget my brothers and sister. Thanks.
Dann Vogel

Dear Santa,
I am in the second grade. You just bring what you have for me. I tried to be a good boy. Joy is 4 and she is a good sister. She wants a big doll with hair. Thank you.
Larry Keinath

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl 6 years old, and this is what I would like for Christmas. Please bring me a Wedding Doll and a set of clothes to dress her, also a sewing kit to keep her clothes neat and repaired. I would like a bassinet to keep my baby Coo doll in. It possible I would like some assorted games to play with.
Thank you very much Santa Claus and I hope you and your elves have a very Merry Christmas.
Lorna Lee Lake

Plymouth, Ohio
Dec. 16, 1949

Dear Santa
I am in the second grade. I like my Teacher very much I would like an electric train for Christmas, a tool set and a bicycle.
Bill Taylor

146 Maple Street
Plymouth, Ohio

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy six years old

JOYFUL CHRISTMAS WISHES

In the glorious spirit of Christmas—we extend to you—one and all—our heartiest wishes that this Yuletide season will be your merriest—and that the coming New Year will prove one of true joy, health and prosperity.

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To all our many friends, we extend the wish that this Christmas be a truly Merry one, and the coming New Year a happy one!

**Fred A. Schaffer
INSURANCE
Plymouth, Ohio**

Shiloh News

Merchants Take Two

The Shiloh Merchants defeated the tough M Homerville team on Wednesday night 36-25 after being held scoreless in the first nine minutes of play. After that however the merchants never faltered and increased the lead three points each quarter. Swartz was leading scorer in the game with 13 points.

In the second game the New Washington Mansfield Brass team staged a rally in the third quarter and tied the game up 38-38. Shiloh came back in the final four minutes to score 16 points to win 54-41. Young ran away with the scoring honors with 25 points.

This Friday night at 7:00 at the Shiloh gym the Merchants open a triple header series of ball games. The first game is with the North Fair. We hope that every one who that reads this will try to come. That's Friday, December 23rd.

Shiloh Inn
Open every day except Sunday. Beer, wine, and soft drinks. We also have a top notch selection of sandwiches. Drop in and spend a quiet evening with your friends.

Shiloh Garage
Jim Purdy's Garage offers you up to the minute service on your automobile. Jim also offers a fine selection of Batteries and Tires for autos and trucks. If you are in need of overhauling stop and have the job estimated. You can't go wrong at the Shiloh Garage.

Shiloh Merchants	G	18
Swartz, f.	4	0
Smith, f.	2	0
Young, f.	11	3
Kinsel, f.	1	2
VanWagner, c.	1	2
Shepherd, c.	0	1
Wolford, c.	0	1
Wolford, c.	0	1
Clark, g.	3	0
Totals	13	10

Score by Periods 13 16 7 18
Mansfield Brass of N. Washington

Springer, f.	4	2
Kehres, f.	2	10
Ekstein, c.	6	1
Coder, g.	2	1
Snay, g.	0	0
Ehrman, g.	0	0
Kraft, g.	2	0
Beckstein, g.	0	0
Totals	15	6

Score by Periods	13	10	7
Shiloh Merchants	G	18	
Swartz	6	1	
Wagner	0	0	
Reynolds	0	0	
Clark	1	0	
Smith	1	0	
Young	3	1	
VanWagner	1	3	
Wolford	0	0	
Hammann	0	0	
Kinsel	0	0	
Amstutz	1	0	
Totals	15	6	

Homerville G. 21
Harvey F. 1
Owen 2
Leatherman 2
Brown 2
Dask 2
Butler 2
Houston 0
Totals 9 7 25

Score by Periods: 5 8 8 15
Homerville 3 5 9 8
Officials—Don Dawson, Delmar Nesbitt

P. T. A. PROGRAM FOR JAN. 2, 1950
The following program will be presented at the next P. T. A. meeting on Jan. 2nd: Morning Reading—"New Years Resolutions" by Anna Mae Hamman
Prince of Peace Orations—"Pursuit of Happiness" by Della Lacer
"What Matter of Men Are We" by Iona Million
One Act Play—"The Tree" by the Freshmen class

Churches

WHITE HALL CHURCH OF GOD
Nelson Kittle, Student Pastor
Chester Van Scoy, S. S. Supt.
Sunday School—10:00 a. m.
Church Service—11:00 a. m.
Evening service—7:45 p. m.

MT. HOPE LUTHERAN
Rev. G. S. Gladfield, Pastor
Howard Clark, S. S. Supt.
E. Floy Rose, Organist
Church School—10:00 a. m.
Church service—11:00 a. m.
Choir practice Thursday night at 8 p. m.

SHILOH M. E. CHURCH
Leonard E. Smith, Pastor
Reva Childs, Organist
Mrs. Stanley Huston, Choir Dir.
Mrs. Hammann, S. S. Supt.
Sunday 9:45 a. m. Morning
Worship theme: "The Guiding Star."
10:45 a. m. Sunday School.
Christmas program, Dec. 22nd.

Make Improvements In Council Rooms

Folks will not recognize the town council room the next time they go to the polls, for now it can be truthfully said it is a beautiful room.

Instigated by Mayor E. J. Stevenson and backed by our council the work is now completed, and they deserve a lot of credit. The old cold stove, sealed beside which one either froze or roasted, is missing and in its place is a neat gas heater.

Ceilings and walls are of pressed wood and the floor is laid with asphalt tile. The place has been rewired, and three new fluorescent lights make it like day in any part of the room. The windows on the West side, next to the Legion building have been removed, these replacing the two, on the South, and venetian blinds now hang over them. A built in cupboard occupies the space which was the back door.

The wainscoting, door and window frames have been repainted, and tables and chairs varnished. The ceiling is white, wainscoting brown, walls in plank finish, in shades of tan and brown with maroon trim. The floor is laid in blocks of maroon and light tan.

Koonz and Hafer of Shelby were the contractors responsible for walls, ceiling and floor. Glen Swanger did the inside painting. V. C. Moser the wiring, and Dwight Keesy the outside painting and carpenter work.

The walls of the township room also were repainted recently.

O. E. S. Installation

About seventy-five attended the Installation of officers of Angelus Chapter, O. E. S. last Wednesday night. Visitors attended from Wildcat, Plymouth, Cleveland, Shelby, Crestline, Bucyrus and Sycamore.

Fern Pittenger was the Installing Matron, Jane Hamman, Installing Warden and the following officers were installed:

Worthy Matron—Vera Hopkins
Worthy Patron—Dean Hall
Asso. Matron—Doris Herz
Asso. Patron—Anton Herz
Secretary—Elma Dawson
Conductress—Letha Kendig
Asso. Conductress—Artis Hopkins
Chaplain—Faye Zickman
Marshall—Nellie Hall
Organist—Frances Hughes
Ada—Verda Harding
Ruth—Jean Hamman
Edith—Lavetta Adams
Martha—Mildred Brown
Elicia—Jean Russell
Warder—Betty Briggs
Singer—Leo Kendig

Phyllis Gates was the soloist. A double Addenda was given at the close of the Installation services: the first "Lights Out" by the retiring officers, the second "Let Your Light So Shine" by the past Matrons, and patron. The color scheme was gold and white, candles, yellow mums and roses being used in the chapter room.

The center piece on the dining table was made of gold and white tinsel. The table was decorated with the creation of Bestie Light. Tiny gold candle sticks holding white candles were given as favors.

Mr. and Mrs. John Alverson of Ashland spent Sunday with Mrs. Dora Gates. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bevier of Shelby called on Mrs. Gates Monday afternoon.

MRS. MAUDE RUCKMAN Correspondent



Yuletide Greetings
We want you to have something that cannot be placed beneath the tree — our best wishes of the season.

MRS. MAUD RUCKMAN Your Correspondent

Legion Entertains

Garrett-Riest Post No. 503 American Legion sprang a pleasant surprise on its Bingo guests on Saturday evening, Dec. 17, when it invited the entire crowd upstairs to partake of a 10 o'clock supper.

Tables were tastefully arranged about a centrally located, gaily decorated Christmas tree in the spacious Auxiliary room, and approximately seventy guests participated in the meal capably prepared and served by members of the all efficient Legion Auxiliary.

Shiloh Loses To Lucas In Thriller

Shiloh Hi met defeat again for the second time in a row, this time to the Lucas Cubs 35-32. The Shiloh team got off to a very dead start as the 1st quarter score was 12-4 Lucas' favor. The 2nd quarter found Shiloh hot on the foul shots as they made all their points on fouls. The score at the halfway mark was 11-16 Lucas' favor. Shiloh came on the floor determined to make it a fight to the finish and by the end of the 3rd quarter the score was 23-19 in Lucas' favor. Shiloh didn't give up 'till the last gun went off. The last quarter was the most thrilling of the whole game.

boys from Shiloh outscored the Lucas club but in vain as they could not meet that margin that was built up in the first quarter. Jack Stephenson led the winners with 16 points and Chuck Wallace led Shiloh with 10.

The Shiloh Reserves won their equally thrilling game 28-25. When the clock showed 1 minute to play the score was all tied up 25-25. Buzz Witche came up for a foul shot and it was good. That put Shiloh ahead 26-25. Burton Garrett dropped one from the side with 20 seconds to go. Shiloh came out on top 28-25. Burton Garrett led the winners with 13 points and Robinson had 14 for the losers.

Pinochle Club Entertained

Mrs. Miriam Moser was hostess to the Pinochle club at her home Thursday night. Margy Dawson won high score, Martha Lofland low. Jean Rupp was a guest.

Visitors In Barnes Home

Mr. Ralph Barnes of East Wilton, L. I., who had been at the Wright Field on business for several days spent Saturday with his mother Mrs. T. A. Barnes.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Long and family of Canton also spent Saturday with Mrs. Barnes.

Mrs. Barnes will spend several weeks during the holiday season with her daughter, Mrs. Long in Canton.

News About Shiloh Schools

Junior Class
We want to thank everyone for coming to our program last Tuesday evening. We are sorry for the delay that was made but it could not be helped.

We want to congratulate all the basketball boys for the fine work they have been doing. Despite the fact we lost the Varsity game to Lucas 35 to 32 it was a very good game. The Reserves won their game 28-25.

We are making out very well on our candy stand and we hope to have sandwiches along with our candy, ice cream, pop and guth at the rest of our home games. You can look for us there.

The president, Gerald Alfrey, appointed the play committee to begin looking for a good play which will be presented around the first of April. The committee is as follows: Anna Mae Hamman, chairman, Marlene Russell, Iona Million, Marilyn Baird and Bob Clark.

Rome County Club

The Rome County Club will meet January 4th with Mrs. Aller, for an all day meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Fair

of Mansfield were callers of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Kester Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Firestone

attended the funeral services of a cousin, Mrs. Clark Firestone in Ashland Saturday afternoon.

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Mr. and Mrs. Carmen Russell

and daughter of Cleveland spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Griffith.

Improved

Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Moser, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Moser were in Toledo Sunday to see Russell Moser who is in the hospital at that place. They report Russell is greatly improved.

Loyal Daughters Entertained

Mrs. Mary Forsythe entertained the Loyal Daughters class at her home Friday evening. Mrs. Gladfelder led the Bible Study, and a gift exchange was a feature of the evening's entertainment. There were seventeen present.

Senior News Reporter

After a long period of comparative silence, the voice of the Senior class is still silent. I might add that there is little to be said.

However, just for something to say, I might mention that our play was a success. We had a larger crowd than was expected. A good time was had by all, including the tant.

For Christmas, the separate classes have exchanged names and the student council has planned a party in the auditorium. School is out from Friday, December 23, to Monday, January 2, 1950.

AFTERTHOUGHT: We are still working hard on our annual MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Senior News Reporter: Arlyse J. Whitcomb

Grade Three

The best spellers this week were: Nancy Ballitch, Marilyn Oney, Nancy Evans, Gary Stroup, June Cuppy, James Ramey, Daryl Herz and Marjorie Brooks.

Grade Four

We are sorry that through a typing error our second six weeks honor roll did not star the names of Judy Patterson and Sherry Smith. These two girls made a straight "A" record this last six weeks period. Keep up the good work, girls!

The following people made the highest scores in the state arithmetic test: Judy Patterson 94, Linda Ramey 94, Patricia Barnd 90, Donald Barnhouse 88, Virginia Dec 87, and Louise Ousley 86.

The highest reading scores were: John Hevle 73, Sherry Smith 66, Virginia Dec 58, Judy Patterson

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Help Stamp Out TB

Buy Christmas Seals
Help Stamp Out TB
Send Items In Early

55, Danny Moore 55, Mike Hall 53. The possible score on reading was 81.

Grade Five
Kay Elliott read an article on "Christmas Trees Mean Lots of Work."

We have a Christmas tree in our room and have completed decorations in the room. We are looking forward to the grab bag we will have on Thursday.

Our weight has been recorded for December.

Elaine Ballitch won our recent spell down.

Grade Six
Mary Catherine Daup, Reporter
Grade Six
We enjoyed decorating our Xmas tree Friday.

The girls are looking forward to the Christmas program the boys will present before vacation.

We have memorized Luke II, verses one through fourteen.

Patricia Million, Reporter

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FROM SHILOH MERCHANTS who appreciate your patronage the past year and wish for you and yours a Happy Christmas and New Year.

Sincerest greetings of the Season to our many friends and their families.

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BEST WISHES TO ALL OUR MANY FRIENDS, AND CONTINUED HEALTH AND HAPPINESS THRUOUT THE COMING YEAR.

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We wish you a Season laden with cheer, followed by a year brimming with contentment and good fortune.

Shiloh Savinns Bank Co.

MAY THE JOYS OF CHRISTMAS MORN BE YOURS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

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WE WISH ALL OUR FRIENDS CONTINUED HEALTH, SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS.

Quality Coal and Supply
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Alvin Garrett
Will Willett

May the Joy and Peace of Christmas be with you always.

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Let EVERY HEART

By Vera Tarpley

"BUT THEY don't believe in Christmas, Jim—you know that." Laura wished she hadn't spoken quite so loudly; her remark had stopped in midstream three rapid-running conversations. Her guests studied the rug pattern. Jim merely looked at his wife in silence.

"I mean, after all," she went on, "it's not their religion. . . so I assumed it would be embarrassing—to them—to invite them to our Christmas party." She swallowed uncomfortably.

"And I follow for this party was for all the fellows in our office, including Ben." He smiled then, but didn't soften the accusation. Everyone in the room knew of the close friendship between Jim and Ben—they only gazed at his wife's resentment of the friendship.



"He asked us to sing 'Silent Night' and guess what? He gave us ten dollars!" And she invited us in and gave us candy and cookies."

Mr. Adams, office manager, broke the silence next. "I wouldn't worry about it too much, Jim. After all, Christmas is . . ." He emptied his glass and returned it to the coffee-table. "And we all feel a little differently about the holidays than they do."

About nine o'clock carolers came to the door, singing lustily and slightly off-key. "Let every heart prepare him room to receive him," the oldest caroler was wailingly twelve. He rattled a box full of coins. Mr. Adams snatched the donation box from him ceremoniously deposited nine pennies, and passed from guest to guest, bowing after each donation. Everybody's been in and dinner, Jim put in a five-dollar bill and everyone shouted "Show-off!" Laura was annoyed but kept still. Laura and Jim's little girl, Bonny, was out caroling too, but her group covered a distant neighborhood.

No one noticed much when the telephone rang later in the evening and Jim went to answer it. But they noticed Jim's face when he returned to the living-room—it was white and twitched unpleasantly. Laura walked over to him. "Who was it, dear?"

"It was Ben—he called to apologize for not coming tonight. 'His daughter's been in Children's Hospital for the past month, you know.'"

Adams broke in. "Say, that's right—Ben said she was pulling out of it—that was last week, I believe. How's she doing, did he say?"

"She died this afternoon."

Nobody seemed to have anything more to say after that. The party broke up within the next half-hour. Just as the Adamses were leaving, Bonny came in from caroling. She was flushed with happiness and excitement. Laura clutched her in her arms convulsively.

"Did your group make a big haul tonight, Bonny?"

"Did we!" she gasped. "We got more than any other group I bet! And Mom, we sang for that Mr. Ben at Daddy's office, and—"

"Oh but you shouldn't have!" Laura looked at Jim with alarm. "Why not, Mom? He asked us to sing 'Silent Night,' and guess what? He gave us ten dollars! And she invited us in and gave us candy and cookies, and gee, they're nice! And I told them hello from you and Daddy, and you know what? She cried! Isn't that funny, mother?"

Jim looked at his stricken wife and wanted to take her in his arms, but Mr. and Mrs. Adams were standing there with their mouths open, so he merely grasped her hand firmly. Bonny babbled on happily.

"And you know what else? Mr. Ben asked me what the donations went for, and when I told him we took all the money out of his wallet and put it in our box, can you imagine? And then I asked him if he had any boys or girls like us and would they like to go caroling with us and he said no. And then she started crying again and we left. Wasn't that funny?"

Mr. Adams cleared his throat. "By the way, Bonny, just what were those donations for anyway? I forgot to notice when they came around."

"Why, for the Children's Hospital fund—or something like that—it was all printed on the box."

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HOLIDAY PARTY DRINK

"COME to see our Christmas tree"—that's the invitation you hear over and over again during the holidays. And it's the invitation that results in many impromptu gatherings of the clan.

On these occasions there must be refreshments. Cookies, candies and a long, refreshing drink are always welcome. The young hostess will delight in making the drinks she serves and this can be a simple matter if chilled bottles of pale dry ginger ale, sparkling water and fruit juices are waiting for her in the refrigerator. Packaged ice cream in the freezing compartment helps to add variety to the drinks she serves. A large tablespoon of vanilla ice cream placed in a glass of pale dry ginger ale

is a favorite drink with the children. Among the easier drinks to make are the old stand-bys, grape juice and ginger ale, half and half; the juice of an orange, squeezed in a glass, and the glass filled with ginger ale. Place 1 tablespoon of strawberry, raspberry or grape jam in a glass with a tablespoon of lemon juice and fill the glass with sparkling water and ice cubes.

Try this good Christmas drink.

Christmas Julep
2 cups apple juice
1/2 cup heavy cream
2 tablespoons sugar syrup
Ice cold pale dry ginger ale
Combine apple juice, cream and sugar syrup. Divide among 5 tall glasses. Fill each glass with pale dry ginger ale. Stir gently to mix.

With Best Wishes for Christmas

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WILLARD AIRPORT NEWS

On December 7th, Wayne Keefe, Willard, flew to Wakeman, and Arthur Heck, Willard flew to Mansfield. Wayne Keefe also made flights to Wakeman on December 12th and 14th, and flew to Columbus, December 16th. Richard Pittenger flew Mrs. Chilcote, Atica, to Angola, Indiana, in the Super Cruiser on December 14th.

"Bud" McQuillen, who paced 3rd in the Thompson Trophy Race at the 1949 Cleveland Air Races, landed at the airport last week in a Twin Cessna.

During the past week pilots on cross-country flights from Elyria, Willoughby, Cleveland, and Chargin Falls landed at the airport.

The annual Flying Club Christmas party was held Saturday evening, December 17th, at Richland Recreation, Mansfield, attended by eighty people, who enjoyed the turkey dinner and dancing.



AMERICAN CHRISTMAS SCENE . . . Symbolic of our nation at this festive season of the year is this picture of little Ethel Gorman, 4, daughter of a guide at the Statue of Liberty, as she admires a Christmas tree on the porch of Newell M. Foster, superintendent of the statue staff on Bedloe's Island. Over her shoulder, Miss Liberty herself stays right on the job, blaring her message of peace and good will.

an old-fashioned

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Old times and the carefree pleasures of other days are recalled as we enter another Holiday Season. In the spirit of remembering friends and associations of the past, we extend our greetings to all!

McPherson's Body & Fender
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C. M. McPherson Harvey Robinson

Season's Greetings

...to our many friends and neighbors whom we have so happily served through the years. A Very Merry Christmas To All!

A BOOK full of sentiments would barely express our heartfelt wishes and hopes for a joyful Christmas and a Happy New Year

Plymouth Cash Market
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MRS. EVA HOUGH

QUESTIONS ON CHRISTMAS



1. The Swedes know kissing is fun. That's why they thought of the Christmas tradition. What should be done to the suitcases for each sister kiss? (a) remove a berry (b) do nothing (c) take all a leaf.



2. We ought to know the names of the Three Wise Men who were the first gifts of Christmas gifts. They were Melchior, Balthasar and (a) Simeon (b) Casper (c) Shadrach?



3. Everyone likes to get lots of Christmas cards. When did the custom of sending them start? (a) about 1845 (b) about 1781 (c) about 1903.



4. Who first had the idea of building a small replica of a manger for the Christmas ceremony? (a) Pope Gregory (b) Peter Florence (c) St. Francis of Assisi.



5. The Christmas tree is the heart of our Christmas decorations. Which country first used the tree as a part of holiday observance? (a) Germany (b) Norway (c) France.



6. "Silent Night, Holy Night," one of the most beloved of Christmas hymns, was written by (a) Beethoven (b) Father Joseph Mohr (c) Martin Luther?

Letters To Santa ...

Dear Santa
Please bring me a drum, telephone, mixer and some clothing. I have been a good girl.
Thank you
Linda Robertson
Shelby, Ohio
Rt. 3
Dec. 14, 1949

Dear Santa Claus
I will write you to let you know what I would like to have for Christmas, I want a toy train some candy and apples and oranges.
Your Friend
Richard Shepherd

Dear Santa
Would you please bring me a big black board and a doll baby and my little sister wants table and chair and a teddy bear and a set of dishes. I would like to have some new clothes for my doll.
Love
Marilyn Fink
Plymouth, Ohio
Dec. 16, 1949

Dear Santa
I have been a good boy and helped my mamma I carry water and coal, want a cork gun and a cow boy hat I would like candy and nuts and oranges.
Yours truly
Cecil Mulvano
Plymouth, Ohio
Dec. 15, 1949

Dear Santa
I want a bicycle and a little airplane and a cow boy suite. Mike wants a electric train and Florence wants a doll and buggy and roller skates.
Your friend
Jimmy Dorion

Dear Santa Claus
I am 7 years old. I would like a play house, doll stroller, Baton, ice skates for my doll, and, most of all I would like a doll.
Thank you
Dixie Fortney 3
P. S. If you bring me all of these I will be very happy.

37 Portner St.
Dec. 16, 1949
Dear Santa Claus:
My Mother and Daddy think we have been good enough this year that you won't forget us.
I would like a Tool Chest, Doll and Lincoln Logs. My sister would like a Chug-Chug and Knox Out Bench.

Merry Xmas,
Heather and Stephanie Morrison

Dear Santa
I want a radio and a Toni doll and twin sweater set and a game or two and a little electric iron. Don't forget the poor children. I will leave some Christmas cookies for you. Thanks you for the toys you brought me last year.
Good by Santa
Nancy Sue Lewis

Dear Santa Claus
Please bring me a bicycle. Also a wagon for my little sister.
This Christmas we have auntie and uncle and my two cousins with us. Dorothy Kay lost her doll carriage in the fire so please bring her another one. Little martin would like a tricycle.
Trudy Ryan

Dear Santa:
Please bring me truck, cars, service station, Diesel train, tractor

with trailers and bulldozer, bow and arrows, steam roller, airplane. I have tried to be a good boy and hope you are feeling fine. I like you.
Yours truly
Fate Christian
Plymouth, Ohio
16 1/2 Broadway

Dear Santa
I watch u every nit. I have been trying to be a good girl. I am six years old and in the 1st grade. I would like to have Toni doll and some doll clothes. I will leave some cookies under the tree Xmas eve.
Your Friend
Judy Fetters
149 W. Broadway

Dear Santa
Do you think you can come in your sleigh this year?

How is Mrs. Santa Claus and your Helpers?
Now I will tell you what I want for Christmas. I would like to have a gas station, football, dump truck, wagon and tractor. Also bring gifts to my sister, mother and father.
There will be a lunch for you in the kitchen.
I have been a good boy I also go to school this year and like it very much.
Love
Dick

Dear Santa
I hope you remember me from last year. I would like a dolly highchair, a big coloring book and crayons, also a toy broom and dust pan so I can help my mother.

My sister wants a coloring book and crayons too, also a scooter bike.

Please bring my little brother a train.
I will be a good girl.
Shirley Ann Hawk
Dec. 16, 1949
Shelby, Ohio

Dear Santa Clouse
I want a tool set and some candy, nuts, oranges and apples, coloring book, crayons.
William Edward Binion

Dear Santa
When you come this Christmas our back door will be unlocked. Would like to see you in person.
Please bring me dishes, puzzles and a red shoulder strap purse. I am in the first grade. I have a younger brother he wants a negro doll.
Yours truly
Dariene Cheesman

GREETINGS

With the realization that each passing year brings a fuller appreciation of old friends and pleasant associations, we extend to you our sincerest wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Black & Gold Soda Grill

MR. and MRS. WELDON CORNELL and ENTIRE STAFF

Season's Greetings

Our best wishes for a Merry Christmas

Our sincerest hopes for a Happy New Year

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Society News

Louise VanWagner Feted At Shower In Victory Recently

Miss Louise VanWagner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rollo VanWagner of New Haven, who will become the bride or Richard Gros-cout the day before Christmas, at 2:30 in the afternoon, was com-plemented with a miscellaneous shower given by Mrs. Paul Storey of Victory on Wednesday evening.

Hearts were played during the evening with awards going to Mrs. Kathryn Dalton and Mrs. George Haltsen and Miss Julia Koke, who was consoled.

The guest of honor was pre-sented her gifts in a box decorated to depict Santa's descent down the chimney. Refreshments

were served. The Storey home was beautifully appointed in a holiday motif for the occasion.

To Spend Christmas In Kansas

Mr. and Mrs. Burr Knaus and son expect to leave Friday morning for Spring Hill, Kansas and will spend Christmas Day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wil-son and son. They will also visit Mrs. Knaus' mother, Mrs. May Varner at Benedict, Kansas, and other relatives before returning home within a week.

Sunday Guests

Guests entertained Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. McPherson and family were Mrs. Sa-die Snyder, Miss Harriett Snyder,

Mr. and Mrs. Keith McPherson and son, Mr. and Mrs. John Coe and daughter of Shelby, Mr. and Mrs. Carl McPherson of Newark, and Mrs. Florence Coe of Ply-mouth.

The affair honored the birthday of Louis McPherson who was re-mempered with many pretty gifts.

Pre-Christmas Dinner

A pre-Christmas family dinner was held Sunday in Mt. Vernon, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rich-ard Dickinson and daughter. At- tending from here were Mr. and Mrs. D. F. McDougal son Jim and daughter Allie, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Gebert and Terry Lee Gebert, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Smith.

affair a happy occasion.

Mr. James Hoffman of Mans- field showed some moving pictures of the farms and cartoons for the children.

Those in attendance besides the employees and families were Mr. Chas. Hoffman, and son James and grandson, Jamie Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Wentz of Mansfield and Mr. and Mrs. Har- old Cashman and son Lynn of Ply- mouth.

RETURN TO PLYMOUTH

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Phillips have returned to Plymouth from Will-cox, Arizona, owing to the ill health of Mrs. Phillips.

DRAW JURY NAMES

Richard County Jury Commis- sioners C. W. Swanger and Carl Schaefer have drawn names of sev- enty-five prospective jurors from the county jury wheel in prepara- tion for the January term.

Names were drawn for the grand jury and two petit juries.

The court term lasts four months. The grand jury is scheduled to convene Jan. 16. County Prose- cutor Harold Lutz said there now are about 15 cases on the docket. No date has been set for the petit jury hearings which will follow the grand jury session.

The grand jury panel includes the following names from this area: Carl Sparks, Plymouth, R. D.; F. W. Wood, Shiloh, R. D. 2; Madge Kirkwood, Shiloh, R. D. 2, and Frank Fransens, R. D. 2.

HEARTY BREAKFAST



A hearty breakfast to start the day.

By BETTY NEWTON

Help your family to start the day right by serving hot and hearty breakfasts. A cup of steaming cocoa, a bowl of cooked cereal and muffins hot from the oven give the warmth and energy needed to start out on these wintry mornings.

Swiss Chocolate

1/2 cup bitter chocolate
1/2 C. sugar
1 C. water
4 C. milk, scalded

Flake chocolate, add sugar and water. Cook in top of double boiler or over simmer flame for 15 minutes. Stir in hot milk and serve at once. Makes 6 servings.

Jelly Toast Rolls

12 slices fresh bread
Jelly

Cut crusts from bread. Spread with jelly. Roll as for jelly roll and fasten with toothpicks. Place on baking sheet seam side down.

Broil under medium flame, turn- ing until evenly browned.

Quick Breakfast Cake

3 C. sifted flour
2 tsp. baking powder
1 tsp. salt
1 tsp. cinnamon
1/2 C. sugar
1 egg
1/2 C. milk
1/2 C. melted shortening
1 Tsp. grated orange rind
1/2 C. chopped nuts
1 Tsp. melted butter or margarine
1 Tsp. flour
4 Tsp. sugar

Sift dry ingredients together. Beat egg, add milk, shortening, and orange rind. Add dry ingredi- ents and mix thoroughly. Stir in nuts. Turn into a greased 11" x 7" pan and sprinkle with mixture of butter or margarine, flour and sugar. Bake at 400 degrees for 25 to 30 minutes.

NEW NORWALK BORWALK - OHIO

Fri. - Sat. December 23-24

Ricardo Montalban, George Murphy, Howard Da Silva "BORDER INCIDENT" HIT NO. 2

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THURS. - FRI. - SATUR. DEC. 29 - 30 - 31

NO MIDNITE SHOW XMAS EVE SAT., DEC. 24
SUNDAY - MONDAY DEC. 25 - 26
SUNDAY (XMAS DAY SHOW) Will Start at 5 P. M.

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DON'T LET DEATH TAKE YOUR HOLIDAY

The wreath is a traditional symbol of Christmas. In windows and on front doors of homes all over America, the bright red and green of holly will signify the joyous festivities of the holiday season.

For Christmas time should be a time of happiness. Every family looks forward to the joy and celebration that the holiday period should bring. But every year thousands of families in our country see Christmas joy turned into suffering and tragedy because of needless and preventable accidents.

The National Safety Council points out that hundreds of persons are killed and thousands more injured by accidents during the Christmas-New Year's holiday season — the year's peak accident period. The No. 1 killer is traffic, and its death toll on Christmas Day is two or three times the annual daily average.

To keep death from taking your holiday — or the holiday of your loved ones — is a simple thing. It costs nothing, takes no time and requires only a little effort. It only means being aware of the extra holiday hazards and of the extra caution, common sense and courtesy needed to overcome them.

Refuse to drink if you are driving. Wait for the light to change. Yield the right-of-way. Discard a string of Christmas tree lights with worn insulation. Throw away gift wrappings as soon as presents are opened.

These are little things — but they pay off big in holiday happiness. These little extras go a long way toward keeping the lights on in your home and the red and green holly wreath on your door.

They will preserve for you and your loved ones the joy and delight that is America at Christmas.



By Shirley Sargent

THE VERY NICEST thing about Henry Ellis, Henry had decided, was the fact that he was nine years old. He possessed another attribute variously described by his friends as stubbornness, stupidity, and the result of a one track mind.

To get something he really wanted, Henry had learned from experience, he always had to work hard and long. Festering his mother for what he wanted came easiest. "Why not, mom?" he begged, "Why can't I do it? I want to more than anything in the world. It'd be so good you wouldn't know me."

Finally his mother gave in to his endless teasing and what she considered impossible promises.

"All right, all right," she said.



Soundly sleeping, he lay back in the chair, in one hand a noise-maker; clutched limply in the other, a large horn. The box in his lap contained piles of confetti.

"We'll see if you can be good for a whole month and then—well, we'll see."

His long-awaited goal was in sight, but Henry had to admire his mother's shrewdness. Knowing that Rita, who was five, would keep close tab on him, Mrs. Ellis put her Henry's charge for the month. Playing nursemaid to a five-year-old was a stern task, even when he could be as nasty as he wanted—but taking full care of her on his good behavior was purely awful. All this time she would taunt her demands with "Or I'll tell mama!"

Only once he told her calmly but desperately, "If I ever have any children, they'll all be boys or all be girls. I'm not going to make any little boy of mine have a little sister. No sir, I'll give him a turtle or a goat or something he wants, not a little sister."

Rita just barely listened to him before demanding, "Now be a turtle and pull your head in a shell." So Henry crawled all over the apartment like a turtle and wished he'd kept quiet—like a turtle.

The days crept past Christmas and Henry knew that being good was surely a most terrible experience. Then, at last the month was over and he heard his mother asking, "Had enough of being good, Henry?"

Feeling it to be a trick question, he answered casually that "... would be fun to see the fellows again, and just sort of all over relax!" She laughed, encouraging him to go on, "Hey, mom, well, can I do it—'you know'?"

She kissed him, saying, "Yes." Henry yelled "Hooray" as he ran into his room. Gosh, it had been worth waiting for after all—no one but he hated girls, though. Ugh! There were some very important matters to attend to before he was quite ready. They won't take so long, but the waiting would. He started unwrapping his packages. Thanks to mom, life was really fine.

A little before 12 that night Mrs. Ellis, noting the silence, went into Henry's room. His lights were blazing but the boy was asleep in a chair drawn close to an open window. She walked quietly over behind him. A whole month—thirty arduous days devoted to being good—he had worked for this night, and now he was asleep with the sum total of his dreams in his lap and fists. Soundly sleeping, he lay back in the chair, in one hand a noise-maker; clutched limply in the other, a large horn. The box in his lap contained piles of confetti, while reams of paper streamers were laid neatly over the chair arms. There was a ridiculous paper hat crushed into the chair back by his head, and, on the table near him, there was another horn. It had a white card tied to it labelled simply "For mother."

So, she thought, with tears in her eyes, a little man's plan for one night had included his mother. She shook him gently, settled his hat more perkily on his head, and picked up her own horn. Noise seemed suspended in the air.

"Wake up, little one, track mind," she said, sitting him up straight. "Hurry and wake up so you can wish me a Happy New Year!"

TRANSFERRED
Robert Williams son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Williams, Dix St. has been transferred to March Airport Base near Riverside, California. He is with the 622nd Engineers' Aviation Maintenance and was formerly stationed at Camp Gordon, Ga.

HERE ON FURLOUGH
Capt. and Mrs. J. H. Kruger and children of Fleischmanns, N. Y., are here on furlough visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Kruger of Plymouth Street. They will report on the 29th to Pine Camp, N. Y.

Capt. Kruger returned to the States about a month ago from Baffin Island in the Arctic Circle where he was stationed the past year.

The apartment in which the Krugers resided in New York suffered a disastrous fire and the family lost all their belongings.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Davis of Fredericktown spent the week-end at their home on Trux Street.

HURON CO. COURT NEWS
Rufus Hargrove Estate: Inventory filed. Value \$4863.00.
Mary DeWitt Estate: Distri-

bution of assets of estate in kind ordered. Final accounting filed. Albert Bradford Estate: Purchase of real estate by surviving spouse authorized.

Victor A. Dietrick Estate: Inventory filed. Value \$1500.00.
Mary Louise Dietrick Estate: Inventory filed. Value \$1500.00.

Charles D. Bohn Estate: Estate closed by affidavit on Final Settlement.

Frances J. Gifford Estate: Inventory and appraisal ordered. H. C. Barre, D. W. Mead and Nathan Heston appointed appraisers.
Harry M. Goodwin Estate: Inventory filed. Value \$31,903.00.

Bertha Barshaw Estate: Inventory filed. Value \$4835.59.
Albert E. Young Estate: John A. Clarke appointed Administrator. Bond of \$12,000 filed. L. C. McLaughlin, Ralph Poth and Fred Johnson appointed appraisers.

Clara R. Donaldson Estate: Will filed for probate and record. Clara R. Donaldson Estate: Will and codicil admitted to probate and record. Frank D. Donaldson appointed Executor. L. L. Reynolds, W. E. McCulloch and Earl Kilgore appointed appraisers.

Frances J. Gifford Estate: Inventory filed. Value \$8499.02.

WASHINGTON REPORT

BY SENATOR ROBERT A. TAFT

THE pension settlement made in the steel industry raises the question whether we are drifting into a general problem of providing \$100 a month for all persons over 65 years of age to be paid either from government or industry. If a steel worker and a miner are to receive that sum, why not a molder or a waiter? The Federal Old Age Insurance Plan grades pension payments in accordance with wages previously paid, but the matter now is becoming one of a flat sum for all, along the lines of the Townsend Plan.

It would cost about \$12 billion a year to pay this amount to all persons over 65 years of age. Of course, no such sum can be paid out of any pension fund accumulated on a sound actuarial basis. The reserve would be so huge that it would have to purchase most of the property in the country. A reserve in government bonds would be no reserve at all because you have to pay taxes on current earnings to buy the interest on the bonds.

The truth is that the only way pensions can be paid to millions who have retired and are not working is out of the current earnings of those who are working.

Those earnings must be reached by some form of taxation. That taxation may be on pay rolls. It may be paid by the employer or by the employee, but pay roll taxes in either case are usually passed on to the consumer in the price of the finished product.

Through a profit-sharing plan the taxes may be paid out of corporate profits; they may be raised by general taxation on income or sales; they may be raised by a transaction tax as proposed in the Townsend Plan. But taxation it must ultimately be, and the question we are to face frankly is whether our economy can stand that tremendous burden without deterring industry as well as the worker and reducing too much the worker's standard of living. It is the most expensive project of the social welfare proposal, for even the much-advertised program of free medical care for 140 million

I suggest that we should study the idea of a basic uniform federal plan frankly based on taxation through current federal tax. This tax could be on pay rolls, but I doubt if it should be related to the future rise in payment of particular employees.

In addition to this basic plan, we might even authorize and provide special funds to be created for particular industries and set up in a manner decided upon by the employers and the employees in such industries. The payments might be made by employer or by employee, or both, out of profit or out of pay roll; they might be graded and provide specific sums, but I do not think they should be varied because of any change in the basic federal plan.

Each class of payment ought to stand on its own base. Because these payments would usually be passed on to the consumer, perhaps in case of industry they should be limited to some total percentage of pay roll.

The whole subject is in such complete confusion today that it should receive the most careful study from the Senate Finance Committee when it meets in January.

KROGER'S
MRS. ETHEL REED, Mgr.
Lois Phillips Arline Schreck
Vale Reed

Merry Christmas!

May your holiday be merry, your tree laden with good things and your happiness unending. Simple pleasures of the old-fashioned, homespun variety are still the most enjoyable at Christmas time, even in this streamlined age! So in the modern manner, with old-fashioned sincerity, we say, "Merry, Merry Christmas."

Brightly the Holiday Spirit lights new friendships and rekindles old ones year after year. And at this Season we wish to pause to greet our friends . . . and to tell them that we are thinking of them.

The business you have given us is sincerely appreciated, and we hope you are pleased with the way we have served you. We want you to think of us, not only at the Holiday Season, but all through the year, as a friendly firm.

We have striven to serve you at all hours. However we believe during the icy months, January, February and March, business will not justify staying open every night So please keep in mind our

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