

"LUNCH POLICY"
(Cont. From Front)

the number of children in school or service institutions and any unusual circumstances or hardships which affect the family's ability to pay for

school lunches. The information provided on the application will be confidential and will be used only for the purpose of determining eligibility for free and reduced-price lunches.

The following family size-income scale which the Rockcastle County Board of Education has adopted for use system-wide will be used to de-

termine eligibility for free and reduced-price lunches.

If a parent is dissatisfied with the ruling of the Principal and School Committee he may make a request either orally or in writing for a hearing to appear the decision. The request should be made to Superintendent Charles B. Parsons. The hearing will be conducted in accordance with

the procedures as outlined in the policy.

The policy also provides that there will be no identification or discrimination against any student to pay the full cost of a lunch. A complete copy of the policy is on file in each school and in the office of Supr. Parsons where it may be reviewed by any interested patron.

"LOCAL FIRM"
(Cont. From Front)

Home holds by being accepted for membership, since ordinarily but one funeral directing firm in each community can belong. Moreover, the requirements are such that only those firms of high ethical standing, in the profession can attain the distinction of membership.

The Order places particular stress on the necessity of providing service that is modern and comprehensive, and at the same time so moderately priced that it is within the reach of all -- even those in the most modest circumstances.

Members of the Order identify themselves by means of a symbol, consisting of a armored knight with raised visor, who supports with his left hand a shield bearing the Order's motto: "Service Measured not by GOLD, but by the GOLDEN RULE." In his right hand the knight grasps a drawn sword, as if to signify readiness to defend the high principles inscribed upon the shield.

FAMILY SIZE	\$1920	\$2520	\$3120	\$3720	\$4270	\$4820	\$5320	\$5820 *
1	Free	10c	15c	25c	25c	25c	25c	25c
2	Free	Free	10c	15c	25c	25c	25c	25c
3	Free	Free	Free	10c	15c	25c	25c	25c
4	Free	Free	Free	Free	10c	15c	25c	25c
5	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free	10c	15c	25c
6	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free	10c	15c
7	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free	10c
8	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free

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Thirteen children from Cove Branch School came to Mt. Vernon last week on a Christmas shopping trip as a follow-up to a money unit study in Math. One of the school's sponsors, The Utica Chapter, from New York, through the Save The Children Federation, sent the Christmas funds used by the children. During the day, the children visited the Bank of Mt. Vernon and on their way out stopped at Santa's House for a chat with Jolly Old Saint "Nick." After visiting Santa, the children then crossed the street to Hippi's 5 & 10 to do their Christmas shopping. The children made scrap-books from this unit of study and a great deal of learning came from their realistic follow-up. In the above photo, taken on the same day while the children were also visiting the Signal office, are, from front, row, from left: Randall Laswell, Joyce Owens, Morecca Ven Winkle, Barbara Roder, Louie Bullock, Marlene McCoy and Leticia Bullock. Second row, from left: Dean McCoy, Alan Van Winkle, Frankie Mullins, Robert Laswell, Cecilia Owens, Esther Laswell. Mrs. Rena Jordan is the children's teacher.

"MR. HINES"

(Cont. From front) 36 grandchildren and four great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by three sons, Tom, Roy and Jesse Hines, Jr. Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, (today) December 24 at the Cox Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Rolla Cornelius. Burial will be in the Elmwood Cemetery.

(Ed's Note: The water rates for inside and outside of the City of Brodhead, printed in the Dec. 10th issue of the Signal, contained an error. The correct rate schedule is re-printed below.)

Number of Gallons Of Water Per Month	Monthly Charge Per 1,000 Gal. Or Part Thereof To Properties Outside City	Monthly Charge Per 1,000 Gal. Or Part Thereof To Properties Outside City
	For the first 2,000 Gals. or Less	\$2.10 per 1,000 Gals. (\$4.20 per minimum bill)
For the next 8,000 Gals. or less	\$1.10	\$1.90
For the next 40,000 Gals. or less	.80	1.38
For the next 50,000 Gals. or less	.70	1.20
All over 100,000 Gals.	.60	1.04

"MRS. OWENS"

(Cont. From Front) Owens of Dayton, Ohio and 9 grandchildren. Funeral services were held December 22, 1970, at 2:00 p.m., December 21 at the Fairview Church of Christ with Bro. Kelly Ellis officiating. Burial was in the Friendship Cemetery. Cox Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Greetings

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ONE AND ALL FROM

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CHRISTMAS REFLECTIONS: 3-year old Molly Pettit, daughter, ponders the Santa's Workshop wreath on display at the Kentucky Handicraft Outlet, 308 East Main Street, Frankfort. The decorative holiday wreath was made by "Talents Unlimited," a professional group from Anchorage and Shelbyville. (AP Wire Photo)

Whatever else is lost
among the years
Let us keep Christmas.
Its meaning never ends
Whatever doubts
assail us
or what fears,
Let us hold close
this day
Remembering friends.

"We try to emphasize the meaning of the holiday, the fight for freedom and relate it to modern history. I make latkes — we light the menorah, we have close friends over. We try to give our children a feeling of unity, that there are other Jews around, too — that all of us have a part, together, in this holiday season."
Many would like to believe in Santa Claus, too. Some Jewish parents bridge the Santa Claus gap.



Explained one Jewish mother, "Santa Claus visited our house and brought presents. We also celebrated Hanukkah, both the fun and the religious part. — But the Christmas, the religious part was completely disregarded. The giving and the Santa-Claus part is American, not Christian."
Another mother disagrees. "One of the local rabbis said that it's an imposition to celebrate Christmas if you're Jewish and he's right," she said. "I think our neighbors appreciate it and respect us more for observing what we believe in. We can all live together, Christians and Jews, with mutual respect for our customs in America."
To that we say, Amen.

There was a time when Dutch children shivered at the threat of a visit from Black Pete. But modern times have converted him into a merry fellow who does all the work considered below the dignity of a saint, and generally contributes a lot of fun.

This character, dressed as a Moorish slave and painted black is traditionally the one who carries the presents and deals out the punishments for naughty children.

TREE ORIGINS
The decorated Christmas tree as we know it developed from the miracle plays of the Middle Ages. The plays originated as liturgical cantatas sung in Latin in churches with very slight dramatization. Scenery was held to a minimum. The Garden of Eden, for example, was designated by a fir tree hung with apples. This Paradise tree, as it was called, represented the Fall of Man, not the Nativity.

As the miracle plays gained popularity, they became more elaborate, with more characters, more scenery, even live animals — until their staging outgrew the limits of a church. Moved outdoors, the plays became increasingly secular until, about 1450, their performance was banned.

The tree of Eden, the Paradise tree, somehow survived in the public mind after its play was forbidden. It was set up in the house as an object lesson for children: the evergreen tree was an emblem

of immortality, while the apples stood for sin. Round wafers were hung on the tree to symbolize redemption. The strictly-moralistic character of the Paradise tree gradually faded into pure decoration as apples were replaced by



Let the true gifts of this day be yours in full measure.

Billy Kirby, Sheriff

glistening ornaments, and plain wafers took on the shapes of moon and stars. of men and animals. The ornamented glitter of modern Man's Christmas trees has evolved from this basically religious beginning.

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- 1968 Chevrolet Malibu 2 dr. H.T. automatic
- 1968 Ford Fairlane 2 dr. H.T. blue/black vinyl roof
- 1968 Pontiac Grand Prix H.T. air conditioned, black vinyl roof
- 1967 Chevrolet Impala 2 dr. H. T. straight shift
- 1967 Plymouth Fury III 4 dr. H. T. air conditioned
- 1967 Chrysler New Yorker 4 dr. H. T. air conditioned
- 1967 Chevrolet Station Wagon 4 dr. automatic
- 1967 Cadillac Sedan DeVille air conditioned, dark green/black vinyl roof
- 1967 Chevrolet Malibu 2 dr. H. T. straight shift
- 1967 Mercury Cougar 4 dr. H. T.
- 1967 Pontiac GTO H. T. gran.
- 1967 Mustang 2 dr. H.T. 4 speed, air conditioned, yellow
- 1966 Ford Galaxy 500- 4 dr. H. T. air conditioned
- 2-1966 Mustang convertibles, 6 cyl, straight shifts
- 1966 Mercury Cyclone Convertible, GT
- 1966 Pontiac Catalina Convertible, yellow
- 1966 Mercury Comet Convertible, straight shift, red
- 3-1965 Chevrolet Impala 2 dr. H.T.
- 1965 Corvair Convertible 4 speed-Stereo tape.
- 1965 Volkswagen Karmann Ghia 2 door
- 1965 Mustang 2 dr. H. T., 8 cylinder
- 1964 Ford XL 4 dr hard top
- 1964 Pontiac Grand Prix H.T.
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ALL MERCHANTS AND BUSINESSES THAT WILL BE OPEN ON THESE DAYS, PLEASE GET CHANGE REQUIREMENTS ON THURSDAY, BEFORE CHRISTMAS DAY AND THURSDAY BEFORE NEW YEAR'S DAY."

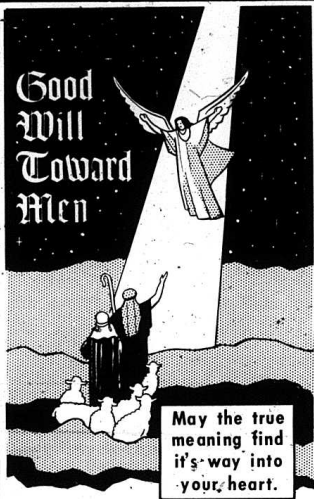
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Also helping out with the festivities were the Mt. Vernon Teen 4-H Club shown in the above photo with their leaders, Mrs. Jerry Mullins. The girls are, from left: Rhonda Hayes, Lori Stewart, Sue French, Jennifer Ponder and Mrs. Mullins.



Santa and Jaycee Buddy Cox seem to have helped make the little girl, in the above photo, quite happy Sunday as Santa arrived early for some 900 children from Rockcastle County. The children are the recipients of a lot of work, effort, money and thoughtfulness of others which is poured each year into the Renfro Valley Children's Christmas party.

1st Christmas toast results in marriage!

One wonders at the forcefulness of the weaker sex, on occasion, especially when a member of the so-called stronger sex is under the spell of spirits, the Wassail bowl and the Christmas toast were both started in the same gesture, so the tale goes, by the daughter of an early Germanic chieftain, then on a campaign in Britain. Offering a gar-

landed bowl of wine to her father's princely host, she said "Wasshell," or "Here's to you." The prince responded gallantly and, one thing leading to another, they were soon married.

For the common people of the Middle Ages, wassail was a mixture of hot ale, sugar, nutmeg, and ginger. The nobility, however, used the finest wines in the cellar. In later times, a popular base for the wassail bowl was Spanish sherry grown from the grapes of Andalusia and fortified with brandy.

The word "toast" however, emerged from the

fact that early wassail bowls sometimes had pieces of toast (as well as fruit) floating around in the top.

In medieval days the wassail was often accompanied by roasted peacock, re-stuffed in its feathered finery, and with a small fire (lighted brandy) playing about its nostrils. Her ladyship always served this dish herself.

Our European ancestors must have had strong stomachs and a gift for showmanship.

A PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

We pray... that strength and courage be given to all who work for a world of good will... that the scourges of poverty, disease and callousness will be driven from the earth... that the spirit of the Season may live among us, for always.



legend of the poor shoemaker and his candle

Here is an appealing story that focuses on Man's old friend, the candle. Back in the Middle Ages, say light, no matter how fragile, was much prized, and a candle, though perhaps common to us, was a possession of great value.

A shoemaker lived in a cottage on the edge of a village near the dark woods. Although a poor man, he placed his candle in the window each night to guide travelers. Despite wars, hardships and illness, by some miracle, some mysterious grace, his light never wavered.

This inspired the villagers and during the Christmas season most of them placed a candle in their windows. The custom grew and became universal.

Altered Meaning

The meaning of "Merry Christmas" has changed somewhat over the years.

Originally, "merry" meant "blessed, peaceful, pleasant."

As the saying goes, "If we would but light one candle, what a bright world this would be!"

How about it, men and women, the rich, the middle and the poor... of Christmas 1970?

Americans exchange billions of Christmas cards every year.

There are conflicting reports of who sent the first one. According to one source John Calcott Horsley designed the first card for Sir Henry Cole in 1843. It is a triptych, the central panel of which shows a well-fed family at table. They raise their glasses to toast, "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year To You." Flanking them in the end panels are the poor and the hungry.

According to another source, the origin of this relatively modern custom is sometimes ascribed to the English Royal Academy artist, W.C.T. Dobson. In 1845 he sent friends lithographed copies of a sketch he had made to symbolize the Christmas spirit.

The first English printed card was very simple; it is a triptych, the central panel of which shows a well-fed family at table. They raise their glasses to toast, "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year To You." Flanking them in the end panels are the poor and the hungry.



Happy Holiday!

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Hazard WKHA Ch. 35	Pikeville WKPI Ch. 22
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Louisville WKMJ Ch. 68	

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MONDAY DECEMBER 28 4:30 MISTEROGERS' NEIGHBORHOOD. 5:30 SESAME STREET. For children. (C) 6:30 WINDOW TO THE CLASSROOM. 8:20 CALLING ALL CONSUMERS. 8:25 LAW OF THE LAND. 8:30 FOLK GUITAR I: Laura teaches the rumba strum used "Eric Canal." 7:00 BRIDGE WITH JEAN COX. 7:30 TO BE ANNOUNCED. 8:00 KUKLA, FRAN AND OLLIE: Should Ollie Be Forgo? (C) 8:30 THE WORLD WE LIVE IN: Other Planets—No Place Like Earth. (C) 9:00 HOMEWOOD: The Plot to Overthrow Christmas. (C) 10:00 BOOK BEAT: "Future Shock" by Alvin Toffler. A detailed account of the hidden impacts of change. (C) 10:30 PANNEAU. For health professionals.	4:00 ARTS AND SCIENCE OF PROFESSIONAL SUPERVISION. Preview program. 4:30 MISTEROGERS' NEIGHBORHOOD. 5:00 SESAME STREET. For children. (C) 6:00 WINDOW TO THE CLASSROOM: A lesson from Kentucky's As My Land. (C) 6:20 CALLING ALL CONSUMERS. 8:25 LAW OF THE LAND. (C) 8:30 BRIDGE WITH JEAN COX. (R) 7:00 FOLK GUITAR I. (R) 7:30 TO BE ANNOUNCED. 8:00 THE FRENCH CHEF: A Wine and Cheese Party. (C) 8:30 CIVILISATION: Heroic Materialism. New York City becomes symbol of the new age of iron, as man's creative impulse is directed to skyscrapers, suspension bridges, and tunnels. (C) 9:30 THE NAUER REPORT. (C) 10:30 BLACK JOURNAL. (C)
TUESDAY DECEMBER 29 4:30 MISTEROGERS' NEIGHBORHOOD. 5:00 SESAME STREET. For children. (C) 6:00 WINDOW TO THE CLASSROOM: A lesson from Ripples. (C) 6:30 TO BE ANNOUNCED. 7:00 ARTS AND SCIENCE OF PROFESSIONAL SUPERVISION. Preview Program. 7:30 TO BE ANNOUNCED. 8:00 SOUTHERN PERSPECTIVE. 8:00 THE ADVOCATES: Should the Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination be repealed? 10:00 SAN FRANCISCO MIL.	THURSDAY DECEMBER 31 4:30 MISTEROGERS' NEIGHBORHOOD. 5:00 SESAME STREET. For children. (C) 6:00 WINDOW TO THE CLASSROOM: The American History series. 6:25 CALLING ALL CONSUMERS. 8:30 TO BE ANNOUNCED. 7:00 TO BE ANNOUNCED. 8:00 WASHINGTON WEEK IN REVIEW. Four Washington newsmen discuss the week's newsmaking events. (C) 8:30 NET PLAYHOUSE: Five Tomorrows. (C) 10:00 SQUIL
WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 30	FRIDAY JANUARY 1, 1971 4:30 MISTEROGERS' NEIGHBORHOOD. 5:00 SESAME STREET. For children. (C)



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Mount Vernon Signal

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MOUNT VERNON, KENTUCKY 40456

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1970

Allen - Hamm Named Combs Co-Chairmen

John Allen and Jerry Hamm will serve as Rockcastle County Co-chairmen for Bert Combs and John Carroll in the May Democratic Primary it was announced today.

"We are very pleased to have Mr. Allen and Mr. Hamm heading our Rockcastle County Combs campaign," Matthews said, "and we are confident of a fine majority for Combs-Carroll from Rockcastle County in the May Primary."

Mr. Hamm, a former Engineer with the Kentucky Department of Highways and with

Greer Brothers and Young Construction Company, operates a Tire Service Business in Paducah, Ky.

MRS. LELA M. TAYLOR DIES IN LEXINGTON

Mrs. Lela Mae Taylor, 86, of Lexington, and formerly of Brodhead, passed away Saturday, December 19 in Lexington.

She was born in Rockcastle County on October 21, 1882, the daughter of the late Jacob and Mattie B. Elder and was a member of the Mt. Olive Church of Christ.

Survivors are six daughters, Mrs. Hazel Nantz of Lexington, Mrs. Blanche Herrin of Xenia, Ohio, Mrs. Louella Owens of Louisville, Mrs. Eiva Mobley, Mrs. Beulah Barker, and Mrs. Manie Long, all of Brodhead; two sons, Willie Taylor of Mt. Vernon and Vernon Taylor of Cincinnati, Ohio; one sister, Mrs. Elva Longley of Aberdeen, Ohio, three brothers, Robert Elder of Louisville, Bronston Elder of Stanford and Leslie Elder of Brodhead; 10 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren and 11 great grand children.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon, December 22 at the Providence Church of Christ with Bro. Kelly Ellis officiating. Burial was in the Providence Cemetery. Watson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

MRS. MARY E. SOARD DIES IN LEXINGTON

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Soard, 82, of Brodhead passed away Wednesday, December 16 at her home.

She was born in Rockcastle County on September 22, 1888, the daughter of the late F.M. and Kathagen Hurst and was a member of the Hickory Grove Holiness Church.

Survivors are three daughters, Mrs. Ruby Carter of Brodhead, Mrs. Edith Wilson of Hamilton, Ohio and Mrs. Daisy Brock of Batavia, Ohio; one son, Esmer Soard of Indianapolis, Indiana; 16 grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by two sons, Frances and Charles Soard.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon, December 18 at the Hickory Grove Holiness Church with Bro. Charles Starnel officiating. Burial was in the Saylor Cemetery. Watson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



THE WONDER OF CHRISTMAS—Thru the Eyes of a Child. This little girl is quite enthralled with Santa Claus as can be seen from the above photo. She was one of 900 children whose Christmas was made a little brighter Sunday morning at Ranfro Valley's Annual Children's Christmas Party. Candy, fruit and toys were distributed to the youngsters who were brought in by bus from all over the county. The Rockcastle County Jaycees, the Rockcastle County Shrine Club and other local individuals all participated in the annual event to make it a day to be remembered for these children. Joycee Buddy Cox, shown above, was one of several Jaycees who are on hand every year to assist Santa and the Ranfro Valley staff.



The Rockcastle County Shrine Club's members and members of the local Jaycee organization who helped out with the Christmas Party are shown in the above photo with Joycee Buddy Cox, "Old Saint Nick" lines off. Santa and his helpers are, front row, from left: Charlie York, Raymond "Pill" Baker, Monty Baker, R.R. "Doc" Wolf, Jim Cox, Back row, from left: Tip Reppert, Paul Blevins, Cleth Thacker, Santa, John Cox, Gordon Graham and Buddy Cox. Another interesting and heartwarming story developed from this year's party. It seems that for the second year in a row, a group of youngsters, scheduled to be picked up at Climax School, were inadvertently missed by the bus driver. So, to see their parents, a group of local businessmen and citizens got together toys, candy and fruit for the 25 children at the school and made a surprise visit to the school early Monday morning complete with an appearance by Santa Claus, portrayed by local attorney John Allen. The children were needless to say, delighted and we are sure it will be a much happier Christmas for them as a result of a little thoughtfulness on the part of others.

Golden Rule Order Honors Local Firm

Dowell and Martin Funeral Home of Mt. Vernon has been officially notified of its acceptance into the Order of the Golden Rule — an international organization of funeral directors.

The affiliation was gained only after Dowell and Martin Funeral Home received approval of many Rockcastle people who are in a position to speak with authority on the firm's qualifications.

Funeral director-members of the Order are selected for their ability to uphold the ideals of this world-wide organization, which has been in existence for four decades.

Notification of membership was made by letter from the Executive Director of the Order, who stressed the distinction Dowell and Martin Funeral Home has achieved.

Winners in the best decorated door in Brodhead contest have been named by the Brodhead Homeowners, sponsors of the contest.

First place winners were Mr. and Mrs. R.C. Anderson. The Anderson's door was decorated by their daughter, Mrs. Betty Gode and their grandson, Raymond Franklin Anderson, from an idea by Mrs. Anderson.

Second place winners were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Shival and placing third was Mrs. Lucy Smith.

Judges in the contest, all from out of the Brodhead area, were Mrs. Clint Sayers, Mrs. Billy Randolph and Mrs. Junior Sower.

School Board Revises Lunch Policy

A revised Policy Statement concerning free and reduced price lunches for children in the Rockcastle County School System has been announced by the Rockcastle County Board of Education.

The Policy was sent to the State Department of Education and has been approved there.

Under the provisions of the policy, the principal of each school and a School Committee member will be designated.

INFANT DIES
Larry Edward Vanwinkle, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob and Aileen Baker Vanwinkle of Orlando, passed away suddenly Friday morning, December 18, at his home.

He was born in Rockcastle County on October 10, and is survived by his parents; one brother, Gary Jacob; three sisters; Peggy Ann, Patsy Kaye and Terry Lynn, all at home; his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Baker of Orlando and his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Vanwinkle of Route 2, Mt. Vernon.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon, December 20 at the Dowell-Martin Funeral Home. Burial was in the Johnetta Cemetery.

mittee will determine which families are unable to pay the full price for their children's lunches. Letters have been sent home to parents with an explanation of the policy and additional copies may be obtained at the principal's office in each school.

LIBRARY CLOSED
DECEMBER 26
The Rockcastle County Library will be closed Saturday, December 26, according to Mrs. Phillip Davis, Librarian.

Knitting classes will begin January 7 and will be held each week thereafter on Thursday afternoon and evening. Anyone interested in attending should call Mrs. Davis at the library.

SADDLE CLUB SETS MEETING-BANQUET
The annual meeting-banquet and election of officers of the Rockcastle County Saddle Club will be held Monday night, January 11 at the Brodhead School cafeteria at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets or reservations may be obtained from any director or by calling 256-2150.

The form itself is simple to complete and requests information needed to determine economic need, based on the gross family income, the number of persons in the family.

(Cont. to 9)
MRS. LLOYD OWENS DIES DECEMBER 18

Mrs. Cleo H. Owens, 77, of Level Green passed away Friday, December 18 at the Rockcastle County Baptist Hospital.

She was born in Rockcastle County on February 9, 1893, the daughter of the late Joseph and Martha Graves Hayes and was a member of the Fairview Church of Christ.

Survivors are her husband, Lloyd Owens; two daughters, Mrs. Georgia Crewell of Kingston, Tenn. and Mrs. Mary Lou Easterly of Dayton, Ohio; three sons, Bob Owens of San Jose, Calif., Henry Owens of Route 1, Mt. Vernon, and Fred Owens.

(Cont. to 9)
SPECIAL SERVICE

There will be services at Cap Lady of Mt. Vernon Catholic Church on Christmas Eve at midnight to celebrate the birth of Christ. Everyone is invited to attend.



THE BIRTH OF AN ELECTRONIC CHRISTMAS TREE—It all began on December 12, when Glenn Whitaker and Dennis Grava, students of the Harry Sparks Vocational School, delivered a Christmas tree to the Radio and T.V. Repair Class. The students decorated the tree with electronic components. The ornaments are made of resistors, capacitors, tubes, printed circuit boards, inductors and pilot lights. The pilot lights were colored with magic markers and the capacitors acted as icicles because they are made of aluminum foil. At the base of the tree, a T.V. picture tube was mounted and extension cables connected to its cabinet, permitting a visual Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the students of the Radio & T.V. Class. Shown with the results in the above photo are, front row, from left: Frankie Clements, Don Kirby, Kenneth Stantler, Keith Mason and Jerry Reynolds. Back row, from left: H.E. Todd, instructor, Randy Mink, Lellis Mullins, Larry Cromer, Roy Rowlett, Douglas Bullock, Roger Vanzant and Deven French.

CHARLES W. McDONALD DIES SUDDENLY

Charles W. McDonald, 49, of Louisville, formerly of Taylor County, died Saturday afternoon, December 12 at the Taylor County Hospital in Campbellsville, where he had entered only two hours previously.

Mr. McDonald was the son of the late M.S. and Ora Malone McDonald and was married to the former Charlotte S. Clair, daughter of Mrs. Ina St. Clair of Mt. Vernon.

A member of the Jones Chapel United Methodist Church, Mr. McDonald was a veteran of World War II and a member of the Valley Station Masonic Lodge No. 511. He was employed by the Johnson Service in Louisville.

Besides his wife, he is survived by three brothers and four sisters: Mrs. Joe Hogan of Mannsville, Mrs. Amelia Gabehart of Campbellsville, Dr. L.R. McDonald, Vice President of Lindsey Wilson College in Columbia, Edward McDonald of Shepherdsville, Kerlith McDonald of Manderston, Wyoming, Mrs. Pauline Farmer of Louisville and Mrs. Helen Hogg of Dallas, Texas.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday morning, December 15 in the Parrott and Ramsey Funeral Home by Rev. Charles Music, Rev. Ken Vassy and Rev. Marshall Owen.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon, December 15 in Elmwood Cemetery.



At a recent White House meeting, President Nixon is flanked by Kentuckians including Joe Lambert, son of Atty. and Sen. James W. Lambert of Mt. Vernon. Lambert is an aide to Senator Cooper. From left are Senator Cooper, Lambert, the President and Robert Kipping, Carrollton. The photo was taken in the President's Oval Office.

Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men. Luke: 2:14

Never a Christmas Morning...
Never the Old Year ends,
But Someone thinks of Someone
Old Days, Old Times, Old Friends

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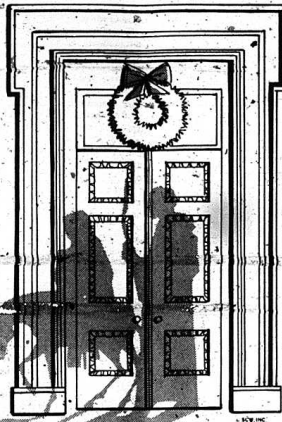
Capital Digest

NUNN ELECTED TO CHAIR GOP GOVERNORS
 Gov. Louie B. Nunn was elected to a one-year term as chairman of the Republican Governor's Assn. at the final session of the group's annual winter conference at Sun Valley, Idaho. Elected as vice chairman of the group was Gov. William

MILIKEN OF MICHIGAN
 Governor Nunn, who replaced Pennsylvania Gov. Raymond F. Shaker at the organization's helm, will serve for the governors' spring conference, set for April 18-21 at Williamsburg, Va.

DRUG CONFERENCE
SPURS NATIONAL PRAISE
 The recent Drug Abuse Con-

Make Room for Him Today



It is ironic that, in the midst of putting our house in holiday array — in decking "the halls with boughs of holly", and doing all the other happy chores of Christmas, we are often bereft of the inner spiritual grace that can light our lives! * * * Let us continue to make merry — to add swag of greenery to our front door, and wreaths high and beautiful. But let us also open our hearts and minds to the true meaning of Christmas. Let the shadow of these wanderers grace our homes in every way. Let us make the Virgin Mother, the kindly Joseph — yes the donkey — and their precious cargo welcome, today and always!

ference called by Governor Nunn has resulted in thousands of requests for drug education material from individuals and groups across the state.

As a follow-up to the conference, the Mental Health Department has called for a statewide meeting Dec. 21 for drug coordinators, directors and board chairmen of all regional comprehensive care centers.

The head of the California firm which publishes the drug education pamphlets used by state officials told the governor this week Kentucky's program is the best she has seen.

\$44 MILLION IN ROAD BIDS
 The Highway Department recently opened bids for construction projects totaling \$44 million, the largest one-time dollar volume in the history of the department.

Included among the projects were another 22 miles of the Bowling Green - Somerset parkway and seven miles of the Bowling Green - Owensboro parkway.

Bids also were opened for the construction of main river piers for a bridge over the Ohio River in Campbell County for Interstate 471.

Bids also were opened for splitting of counties.

The Legislative Research Commission has estimated as many as 30 to 40 of Kentucky's counties may have to be split to achieve acceptable legislative districts under reapportionment.

Though such splitting is unconstitutional in Kentucky, a

case is now pending in federal court to determine if federal "one-man, one-vote" rulings take precedence.

PROPERTY OWNERS AWAIT APPEALS COURT RULING
 The Court of Appeals will soon begin deliberations on the constitutionality of the 1965 law which placed a ceiling on local property tax revenues.

Jefferson Circuit Judge Lyndon Schmid recently overturned the law in a suit brought by the Louisville Board of Education.

If the decision is upheld, it could mean a tax increase for property owners, provided other legislative measures are not taken.

CHRISTEN NAMED TO PREPARE PLAZA
 The Capital Plaza Authority has named Finance Commissioner Albert Christen as its chief operating officer to prepare the 28-story state office tower for occupancy.

Target date for moving into the structure has been tentatively set for December 1971.

Christen selected Al Hubbard, director of the Budget, to assume much of the workload in preparing the building for some 1000 state employees, as well as leasing the 69,000 square feet of commercial space in the Plaza.

KENTUCKY DELEGATES ATTEND CONFERENCE
 Forty-eight Kentuckians were among 4000 delegates from across the nation attending President Nixon's White House Conference on Children last week.

The conference is a national

Tom Duncan's Frankfort Watchline

"Right on" never will replace "head-on" as Gov. Louie Nunn's motto.

He told the Republican Governors Conference the GOP should have met the economic issue head-on in the 1970 campaigns.

His view on that could have impact on Kentucky's race for governor next year.

Former Gov. Bert Combs, a Democratic hopeful, acknowledges that Nunn is popular. But he believes issues such as unemployment and inflation will work against Nunn's choice, Tom Emberton.

Nunn thinks Republicans should go on the attack to pin the economic blame on the past Democratic policies.

Who's right—or who'll win, which isn't necessarily the same thing—remains to be seen.

But Combs' strategy is causing some ripples in his Democratic primary with Lt. Gov. Wendell Ford.

His needling over what Ford should do as acting governor fits into an effort to picture Ford as a non-leader, actually as part of a coalition government with Nunn.

But Ford feels the public doesn't want a governor in effect held captive because Kentucky's antiquated set-up strips him of power when he leaves the state.

Whatever the merits of the case, the Ford and Combs camps may be taking off the gloves. No matter how they start, these breaks between old friends have a way of turning bitter.

Murphy's Law may be the best bet on Kentucky's legislative redistricting.

Murphy, surely with an eye on Kentucky, said: "If anything can go wrong, it will."

And the potential for going wrong seems to be building with all the scurrying in the guise of preparing to redraw the lines of state House and Senate districts.

There's little doubt that essential census figures would be ready for a special session. And even if the courts haven't ruled on splitting counties, obvious inequities could be eased.

But those with political ambitions are scared of giving the lawmakers a platform to speak from—and the law-

system of toll roads as new largest in the nation, New York is first.

sources" to confuse the issue: win Kentuckians have an equal voice in choosing their legislators next year—or most it wait, effectively, until the 1974 General Assembly, comes in?

The fact is that if redistricting waits past the March 31 deadline for some filing in



To our many friends:

Merry Christmas Greetings

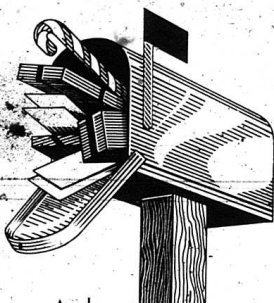
we send to you — And our warmest wishes, too . . . May there be special joys in store —

All the wondrous things, You're surely hoping for!

DO YOUR LAST MINUTE SHOPPING AT JEAN - FAYE FASHIONS

BE SURE TO CHECK ON THE SPECIALS THAT ARE 20% OFF CLOSED DECEMBER 26TH

Cheer



And a MERRY CHRISTMAS to everyone.

J. B. Messer
 REALTOR & AUCTIONEER
 Crab Orchard, Kentucky

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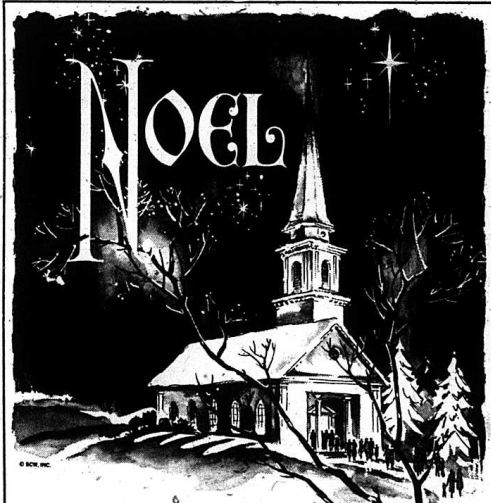
We pray for lasting peace at Christmastime and always.

Dowell - Martin
 Funeral Home
 Billy Dowell Roy Martin



From all of us wishes to all of you, for a happy Yule!

Harold Rogers
 COMMONWEALTH ATTORNEY



WE PRAY THAT PEACE BE WITH YOU

May that peace that passes understanding . . . the peace of Jesus Christ, our Lord . . . come into every heart this Christmas. We wish you and yours the very best!

THE BANK OF MT. VERNON



T & M MARKET
 Mr. and Mrs. Emilio Telo

Hunting & Fishing

In an effort to continue an outstanding fish and wildlife management program and to provide the necessary facilities for and stocks of both fish and game, the Fish and Wildlife Commission adopted moderate increases in fishing and hunting license costs at its meeting December 13. In increasing the license fees the commission pointed out that the total cost of the construction of the new Clark Fish Hatchery, which replaces all other hatchery facilities, will be \$2.25 million. Currently this is equivalent to the total revenue received from 750,000 fishermen and hunters annually.

The cost of day-to-day operations such as conservation officers' salaries and expenses, fish transportation units and research programs has substantially increased since the license costs were last increased almost five years ago. The commission stated also there is an urgency to purchase land for goose man-

agement as rapidly as possible before it is destroyed by agricultural practices and other private interests.

Greater efforts in game and fish management on the thousands of acres now under the control of the department are needed, and the purchase of small game management areas located as near as possible to the centers of population is planned. The people living there really need places to not only hunt but to observe and to enjoy the wildlife that can be propagated of these areas.

The commission has pointed out that the increases adopted amount to only 70% to the average hunter or fisherman per year, and that it sincerely believes the modest increase is in the very best interest of the sportsmen.

All licenses may be purchased at the present cost prior to July 1, 1971, and they will be valid throughout the year. The following are major fee changes ordered by the commission, including the

clerk's fee:
 Combined hunting and fishing license (resident)—is \$7.50, will be \$9; Statewide hunting license (non-resident)—is \$25.50, will be \$27.50; Jr. hunting license (resident only)—is \$2.25, will be \$3.50; Statewide fishing license (resident)—is \$4.85, will be \$4.95; Statewide fishing license (non-resident)—is \$7.50, will be \$10; 45-day fishing license (non-resident only)—is \$3.25, will be \$4.

Commercial fishing license (resident)—is \$15.50, will be \$16.50; Commercial fishing license (non-resident)—is \$30.50, will be \$35.50; Ohio River fishing license (residents, Ohio, Indiana & Illinois)—is \$4.25, will be \$4.95; Ohio River commercial fishing license (residents, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois)—is \$15.50, will be \$16.50; Seine tag for each 100 ft. or part thereof—\$2.25, will be \$2.50.

Ohio River seine tag holder, or Ohio River commercial fishing license—\$2.25, will be \$2.50; Seine tag (non-resident)—\$4.25, will be \$4.95; Hoopnet or snagline tag (resident)—\$2.25, will be \$2.50; Ohio River hoopnet or snagline tag (residents, Ohio, Indiana & Illinois)—is \$2.25, will be \$2.50; Hoopnet or snagline tag (non-resident)—is \$5.50, will be \$6.

Trapping license (resident)—is \$4.25, will be \$5.50; Trapping license (non-resident)—is \$25.50, will be \$27.50; Big Game Permit (deer license) resident and non-resident—no change, will remain at \$10.50; Trout stamp—newly created, will be required beginning July 1, 1971, in addition to valid fishing license—\$2.25;

Live bait dealers license (resident)—is \$15, will be \$17; Live bait dealers license (non-resident)—is \$25, will be \$30; Musseltag license (resident)—is \$15, will be \$17; Musseltag license (non-resident)—is \$25, will be \$30; Mussey buyers license (resident)—is \$300, Mussey buyers license (non-resident)—remains at \$300.

Taxidermist license—\$3, will be \$5; Commercial guide

license (resident)—remains at \$10; Commercial guide license (non-resident)—is \$25, will be \$30; Fur Processors License (resident)—remains at \$100; Furbuyers license (resident)—is \$5, will be \$10; Furbuyers license (non-resident)—is \$7.50; Furbuyers license (resident)—is \$7.50, will be \$100; Trap Tags (each tag)—remains at five cents.

Special hunting preserve license for persons without income—remains at \$100; Commercial shooting preserve license (operator's license)—remains at \$25; Propagation permit, either for deer, including pet permit—remains at \$5.

Scientific permit—remains at \$1; Food permit for selling bobwhite quail—propagation fee—\$200; Retail food permit for selling propagated bobwhite quail—remains at \$1; Commercial waterfowl shooting permit (operator's license)—remains at \$5; Jay Lake license—remains at \$50 to \$100 scale; Falconry permit—\$2, will be \$10.

A trout stamp costing \$2.25 was established in order that the greatly expanded trout stocking program can continue and pay at least a part of the cost of this project. The stamp will be required when fishing for trout beginning July 1, 1971, in addition to a regular fishing license.

The commission in its continuing efforts to increase

benefits for fish and wildlife employees approved the initiation of an actuarial study to determine the very best possible retirement system for conservation officers, regional directors, conservation club leaders and the director and assistant director of the law Enforcement Division.

The commission instructed the Division of Game Management to establish a regulation which would require a deer hunter using a gun to display some type of orange or yellow on his person. The wearing of red by the hunter will not be considered a violation of this regulation, however, the commission has directed that each conservation officer encountering a hunter wearing red should inform him of the fact that he is jeopardizing his own life because people with red-green color blindness cannot see the red in the woods, but can see orange or yellow.

"Tom Duncan Cont. From 2" 1971 legislative races it, will be the 1974 session before lawmakers are seated under the new plan.

But Murphy's Law is a good bet—even if the legislators tangle with the problem. Because they'll be confronted with suggestions that would even include splitting parts of Jefferson and Fayette counties to join other counties in Senate seats.....

STATEMENT NONDISCRIMINATION

"South Kentucky Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation has filed with the Federal Government a Compliance Assurance in which it assures the Rural Electrification Administration that it will comply fully with all requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Rules and Regulations of the Department of Agriculture issued thereunder, to the end that no person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the conduct of its program and the operation of its facilities. Under this Assurance, this organization is committed not to discriminate against any person on the ground of applications for service or any other policies and practices relating to treatment of beneficiaries and participants including rates, conditions and extension of service, use of any of its facilities, attendance at and exercise of any rights of such beneficiaries and participants in the conduct of the operations of this organization."

"Any person who believes himself, or any specific class of individuals, to be subjected by this organization to discrimination prohibited by the Title VI of the Act and the Rules and Regulations issued thereunder may, by himself or a representative, file with the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250, or the Rural Electrification Administration, Washington, D.C. 20250, or this organization, or all, a written complaint. Such complaint must be filed not later than 90 days after the alleged discrimination, or by such later date to which the Secretary of Agriculture or the Rural Electrification Administration extends the time for filing. Identity of complainants will be kept confidential except to an extent necessary to carry out the purpose of the Rules and Regulations."

NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that Gertrude Bales, Livingston, Kentucky, has been appointed administratrix of the estate of Gilbert W. Bales, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate shall present them, verified according to law to the said Gertrude Bales, Livingston, Kentucky, or to William D. Gregory, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky, attorney for said estate, no later than April 7, 1971.

NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that Ruth B. Parsons, of Wildie, Kentucky, has been appointed executrix of the estate of Shirley E. Parsons, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate shall present them, verified according to law to the said Ruth B. Parsons, Wildie, Kentucky, or to Allen, Clontz & Cox, Mount Vernon, Kentucky, attorneys for said estate, no later than April 7th, 1971.

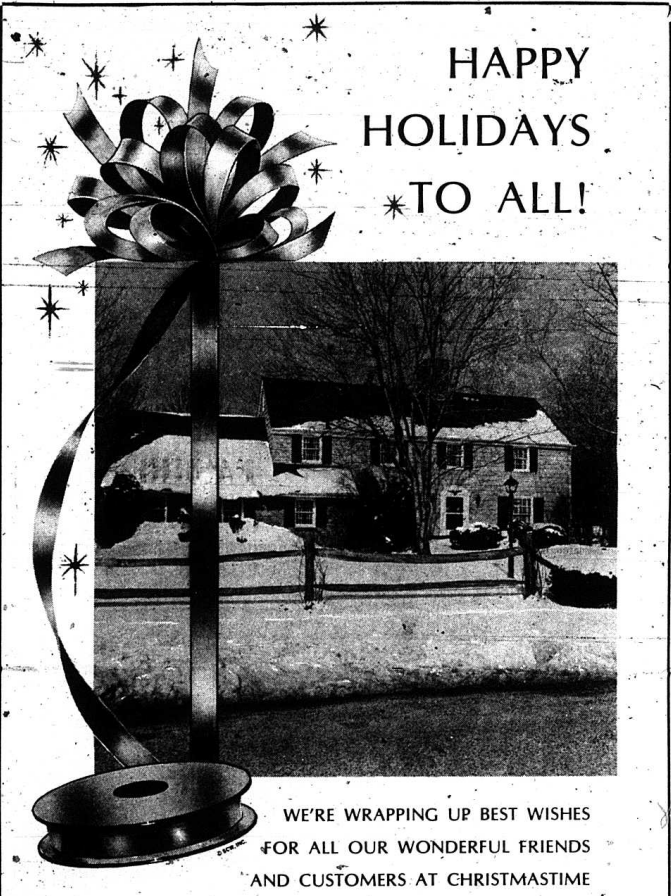
The wildest suggestion to redistricting problems came from one of the sharpest reporters you'll see—Jim Rensen.

He points out that the Legislature can redraw county lines to meet the population requirements of one-man, one-vote rules for legislative districts. Now try that one in Kentucky.

The question of state employees' holidays recalled the time Gov. Norton after taking office asked one, "How long have you worked here?" He swears he got his answer: "Ever since you threatened to fire me."

CUSTOMS VARY
 Sending cards, shopping and gift giving are familiar parts of Christmas to Americans, but people of other countries celebrate the holiday season in many different ways.

In Armenia holiday customs are primarily religious, with the week before Christmas devoted to strict fasting. The fasting ends with Christmas Communion after which each young man gives his sweetheart a special gift to show he can provide her with the necessities and luxuries



HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!

WE'RE WRAPPING UP BEST WISHES FOR ALL OUR WONDERFUL FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS AT CHRISTMASTIME

"Due To The Holidays, The Citizens Bank of Brodhead, Kentucky Will Not Be Open Saturday, December 26, 1970 And Saturday, January 2, 1971. All Merchants and Businesses That Will Be Open On These Days, Please Get Change Requirements On Thursday, Before Christmas Day and Thursday Before New Year's Day."

CITIZENS BANK
 BRODHEAD, KENTUCKY

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A special Christmas wish to you from your friends here.

Mt. Vernon Dairy Freeze

256-4290 Mt. Vernon, Ky.

*Merry Christmas
 Happy New Year*

Greetings of the season to all our friends and customers.

Jerry's Tire Center

RICHMOND STREET MT. VERNON

Around BRODHEAD



Wishing you peace at Christmas.

Billy Gregory

COUNTY ATTORNEY



Mr. and Mrs. Dan R. Gray of Brodhead are shown in the above photo during the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary held November 29 at the Cedar Rapids Country Club. Approximately 300 friends and relatives attended the celebration. In the photo, Mrs. Gray is attempting to feed Mr. Gray a piece of cake in the tradition of wedding and anniversary celebrations.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Gray Celebrate Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Dan H. Gray of Brodhead celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary with an Open House on Sunday afternoon, November 29 at the Cedar Rapids Country Club. Family and old friends, some whom they hadn't seen for years.

The main table, covered with a lace trimmed gold colored cloth with a centerpiece of yellow roses and candelabras with yellow candles, was the setting for the large punch bowl, tiered cake and other refreshments.

The coffee service stood on a round table covered with the same type cloth. A small table by the door was covered with an antique crocheted cloth over gold with the guest book, anniversary candle and pictures of Mr. and Mrs. Gray when they were married.

The mantle was decorated with magnolia leaves and a large candelabra with yellow candles. The tables and decorations were done by Mr. Gray's niece, Mrs. Willis Webb of Fort Valley, Georgia.

Hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. Charles Stewart of Louisville, Mrs. W.T. Brooks of Anchorage, Mrs. Tony Jacobs of Fort Thomas and Mrs. Larry McQuade of Cincinnati, Ohio, all sisters of Mrs. Gray. The refreshment table was presided over by Phyllis Gray Webb and Henrietta Frith Smith assisted by Bonnie Brooks Joly and Mary and Linda Stewart.

Out-of-town guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. Cecil McKinney, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Smith and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Brandenburg and sons, Mrs. H.C. Bowman, Mrs. A.M. Hiatt, Dr. and Mrs. J.C. Baker and Lynn Smith, all of Berea; Rev. Cornelius Horroff of Crab Orchard; Mr. and Mrs. Homer Purkey of Richmond;

Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Frith, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brooks and son, Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Stewart, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. C. Tinsley Stewart and son, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Huffman, Mrs. Mayme Huffman, J.L. Frith, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Marshall McKinney and Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Frith, all of Louisville; Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Frith, Jr. and family of Detroit; Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. W.T. Brooks of Anchorage; Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Joly and children of Dayton, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. John F. Stewart and family of Pee Wee Valley; Miss Thelma Goodwin, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert F. Ellis and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Huffman, all of Lexington; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Goodwin and Mrs. Merrill Hammons, all of Stanford; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Frith and son, Joel, of Smithfield, Pennsylvania; Mr. and Mrs. Tony Jacobs of Fort Thomas; Mrs. Dorothy Frith, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Frith and daughter, Kathy, and Mr. and Mrs. Larry McQuade, all of Cincinnati, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Hope Cox of Middletown; Mr. and Mrs. John Lair of Reston Valley; Dr. and Mrs. Willis Webb and daughter, Nancy, Phyllis, Laura and Evelyn, of Fort Valley, Georgia; Brian M. Potter of Elkhorn City, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Smith of Morehead; Mrs. Erie Pike and daughter, Anna Carol, of Corbin and Janis Frith of Royal Oak, Michigan.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Price of Paintsville are spending this week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Adams,

and Mrs. Norma Price. Mr. and Mrs. Cassie Lunsford and Mrs. Viola Singleton were in Mt. Vernon Friday on business.

Mrs. "Loyal" Adams and Edna visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter Adams Sunday afternoon.

A storm shower was given in honor of Mrs. Joan Jones last Friday night at her home. Many nice gifts were received. Miss Ruth Albright of Louisville and Ralph Albright are spending the holidays with their brother, M.G. Albright, and family in Tucson, Arizona. Ralph will remain for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Holman of Lebanon Junction visited Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cox and other relatives Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bussell of Mt. Sterling visited with relatives here Sunday and attended services at the Baptist Church.

Rev. and Mrs. E.P. Whit of Swiss Colony are spending a few days with their son, Mr. and Mrs. Lawson Whit. Sympathy is extended to the family of Mrs. John Soard, Dr. and Mrs. Byron Owens and son of Somerset visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C.B. Owens, Sr., and other relatives Saturday.

Louie Doan is a patient in the St. Joseph Hospital at Lexington. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Laura Howard left for Ohio Saturday where she will spend the holidays with relatives.

Mrs. Nora A. Harris and daughters were in Brodhead Saturday.

Mrs. Dessie Moberly was in Mt. Vernon Saturday.

Mrs. Carl Brock of Berea was in Brodhead Friday.

Last week end guests of Mrs. Camille Parrimon were Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Parrimon and children of Springdale, Ohio.

Mrs. Jimmie Neal has returned home from the Rockcastle County Baptist Hospital.

Miss Linda Holcomb and Marty were in Mt. Vernon Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Howard of Ohio were here Saturday on business.

We were sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. Bill Taylor. Sympathy is extended to her family and friends.

Mrs. Wil Harris is improving after undergoing surgery at Berea Hospital.

Mrs. Douglas Hamm and Amy and Mrs. Clyde Harris were in Danville Thursday to consult a doctor for Amy.

The young people of Freedom Baptist Church had their Christmas Worship Service Sunday night.

Miss Lucy McKinney spent Saturday afternoon with Gwen Harris.

Mrs. Mary Martin and Rodney Bengie are spending the holidays with relatives in Evansville, Indiana.

Mrs. Johnny Anderson of Crab Orchard visited her mother, Mrs. Verla Collins, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Cromer visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bullock and Mr. and Mrs. William McFerron Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Cromer and son, Benny, were in Cin-

cinnati, Ohio Wednesday, on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Caudill and Lora of Georgetown and Mr. and Mrs. L.A. McKinney of Lexington spent the week end with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Deboard and family of Stanford visited Mr. and Mrs. George Deboard Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry V. Robinson, Jr. and sons of Fort Knox visited her father, Bill Cox, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene VanHook and family visited Mr. and Mrs. George VanHook at McKinney Sunday.

We were sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. Cleo Owens. Sympathy is extended to the family.

Mrs. Lillian Chandler spent the week end with Mrs. Mae Riddle.

Mitchell Bussell is home after spending a few days in the Rockcastle County Baptist Hospital.

The name chosen for the adopted daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Sargent of Lexington is, Leigh Ann. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Renner of Brodhead and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Corrick Sargent of Indiana.

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A miner's Christmas dinner in the Rockies, 1858: pork, elk, antelope, buffalo, grizzly bear, squirrel, prairie dog and mountain rat; then swan, crane and quail.



Greetings

In the spirit of the Season we wish you true happiness. Merry Christmas to our many friends!

ROCKCASTLE FARM SERVICE Mt. Vernon, Ky.

BRODHEAD MILLS Brodhead, Ky.



Let us follow the Star of Bethlehem, in search of that peace that passes understanding. May Christ's love abide with you and yours!

COX FUNERAL HOME 256-2345 Mt. Vernon 256-4444



At This Holy Time

May the spiritual meaning of the season be with you this Christmas, and bring its blessing

TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

CARTER'S MARKET

Clarence & Louise Carter

Mt. Vernon



To Our Loyal Friends...

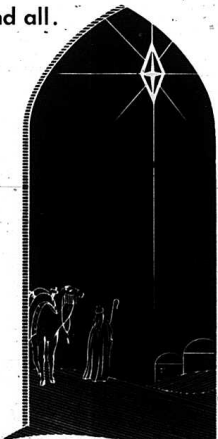
May Peace, Good Will and

Happiness Follow You Through all the Year.

MT. VERNON FLORIST

Ruth & Lee Fain

May the holy spirit of Christmas surround us one and all.



Jackson County R.E.C.C.

McKee, Kentucky

Social And Women's News

LAMBERT'S ENTERTAIN WITH PARTY
Mr. and Mrs. James W. Lambert were hosts at a Christmas party Sunday afternoon at their home on Richmond Street.

Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. D.C. Hoekins and Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Patton, all of Loudon; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Millard and son, Greg, and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hunt, all of Lexington; Mr. and Mrs. Bentley Hilton and Kathy of Richmond, Evans Hilton of Somerset, Mr. and Mrs. Otha O'Connell and children, Vicki

Lynn and John Norman, of Mt. Sterling, Mr. and Mrs. John Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Hiatt and children, Leigh Ann and Willie, and Henry Lambert and daughter, Lora Lee, all of Mt. Vernon.

Gifts were exchanged and delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

T.E.L. CLASS HOLDS CHRISTMAS PARTY
The T.E.L. Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church held their annual Christmas Party at the

supper at the home of their teacher, Mrs. Hazel Owens on Monday evening, December 14.

Ten members and four guests, including Rev. Ray Cummins, pastor of the church, attended.

A Christmas program was presented by Mrs. Ethel Baker, president of the class.

OPEN HOUSE
Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Nieceley of Mt. Vernon will observe Open House on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday, December 27 between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. All friends and relatives of the couple are invited to attend. (The couple request no gifts.)



FEDERAL-STATE MARKET NEWS, Fri., December 18, 1970
(Lancaster, Ky.) Garrard County Stockyard

TOTAL RECEIPTS: 1975:
Cattle: 1532; Calves: 129; (Compared to last week)
Slaughter cows 1200-200 higher, bulls and slaughter calves steady, veales calves steady, vealers 2.00 higher, feeders steady.
Slaughter Heifers: Few Good 900-1040 lb, 22.80-23.75, Standard and low Good 850-1000 lb, 19.00-21.00. Slaughter Cows: Commercial 17.00-20.50, Utility 17.50-20.00, Cutter 16.50-18.10, Camer 14.00-16.50, light weight canner down to 8.50, Slaughter Bull: Utility to Good over 1000 lb, 23.10-25.20, Cutter and 850-1000 lb, 21.70-22.80, Slaughter calves and vealers: Choice 240-400 lb, calves 35.00-40.00, Good 32.25-35.00, Standard 25.00-32.00. Mixed good and choice vealers in graded pen 229 lb, 44.00, Feeders: Steers: Choice 300-350 lb, 31.00-33.25, coupe packages 410-418 lb, 34.20-34.25, Choice 550-700 lb, 28.00-30.50, few 750-900 lb, 27.00-28.00, Good 300-550 lb, 27.00-31.00, 550-750 lb, 25.25-28.00, 750-1000 lb, 24.00-26.90, Standard and low Good 300-550 lb, 22.00-27.00, 550-750 lb, 22.00-25.40, 750-1000 lb, 22.50-23.25. Heifers: Choice 300-500 lb, 25.75-28.25, 500-700 lb, 25.00-27.70, Packages mixed Good and Choice 489 lb, 25.90, Good 300-500 lb, 25.00-28.25, 500-700 lb, 23.60-26.00, Standard 300-500 lb, 24.00-25.00, 500-700 lb, 20.50-22.50. Hogs: 278; (Compared to last week) Barrows and gilts steady, sows unsteady. Barrows and Gilts: U.S., 268, 229 lb., 15.80, Horses, ponies and mules: 36; No quotations.....

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Personals

Mrs. Ann Bowman of Louisville has returned home after spending two weeks with her son, Howard Linville, and Mrs. Linville, Mr. and Mrs. Linville accompanied her home and spent the week end in Louisville.

Mrs. Elizabeth Zeiger has returned home after spending several days at the Rockcastle County Baptist Hospital for treatment, and is reported improving.

Lee McClure spent the week end with his daughter, Mrs. Junior Hunnelly, Mr. Hunnelly and family at Eubank.



The Blessings of the Season to Our Friends
GRAY'S FURNITURE
Broodhead, Ky.

SPIRIT OF LOVE-Christmas 1970 is special for five-year-old Amy, one of 683 children adopted in Kentucky during the past year. She is having a truly Merry Christmas, enjoying the spirit of giving and love that mark family holidays.

Logan "Buster" Wilmoth is back on duty at his Cab Station after spending several days in Central Baptist Hospital for treatment. He is reported getting along nicely.

Mrs. Wilmoth remained in Lexington during his stay in the hospital to be with him.

Dyche Ponder spent the week end in Hamilton, Ohio visiting his brother, Dale Ponder, and family.

Sheila Burton spent Saturday night with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Carol Bianton.

Kenny Burton spent Friday night with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Burton.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Bullock and Valia Burton visited Mrs. Lona Logsdon Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Jones of Lockland, Ohio spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. Celia Jones. They also visited her mother, Mrs. Dessie Milne.

Mrs. Celia Jones has returned home after spending a few days in the Berea Hospital.

Little Roger Lunstorf is on the sick list.

Mrs. Virgil Brock visited her sister, Mrs. Lona Logsdon, Monday.

Mrs. Lillian Anglin, Miss Debra Ramsey and Ricky Ramsey of Henderson spent a few days recently with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Anglin and Nancy and Mr. and Mrs. W.F. Coffey.

County Statistics

Deaths Recorded
Pearl Hayes, Argle and Raymond Millick, George Chan and Marie Hayes, Ernest Hayes, Earl and Ina Hayes, Norman E. and Mary Hayes, Wm. Coble Hayes, Diley and Billy Joe Kirby, Donald Ray and Linda Hayes, Anna and Wayne Kirby, real property located in Rockcastle County on the waters of Hendricks Creek, to James V. and Laura Hayes. Tax \$8.00.

Mollie Brown, real property located near Orlando, to Waldon Brown. No Tax.

James and Perline M. Anderson, real property located in Rockcastle County, to James L. and Barbara H. Browning. Tax \$12.50.

Sarah A. Murphy, real property located in Mt. Vernon, to James and Perline M. Anderson. Tax \$13.00.

Marriage Licenses
Vernon Wayne Richmond, 32, Berea, Mechanic, to Fessie Helen Rice, 22, Berea, December 18, 1970.

James B. Croucher, 23, Rt. 3, Berea, body work, to Nora Jo Ann Poynter, 20, Boone, December 18, 1970.

George Edward Rrriek, 30, Falmouth, Henman, to Sharron Bernice Burkhardt, 22, Melbourne, December 19, 1970.

Gary Wendell Allen, 20, Berea, student, to Shirley Lella



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IN THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON...

May we take this opportunity to wish the best for you and your loved ones. We hope your holidays are truly joyful, and are marked with harmony in every way. Merry Christmas to all!

Robert Cromer
County Property Valuation Administrator

County Agent's Notes

By: n. Lee Durham

THE STRANGER CHILD

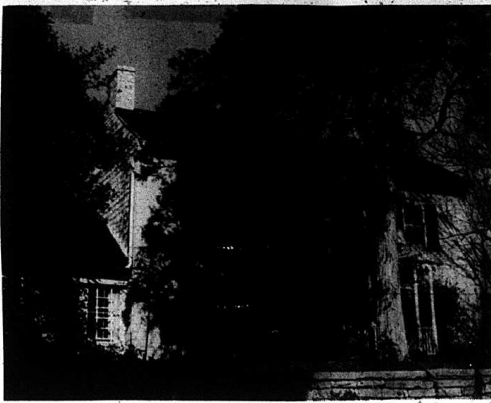
Count Franz Pockl.
There once lived a laborer who earned his daily bread by cutting wood. His wife and two children, a boy and girl, helped him with his work. The boy's name was Valentine, and the girl, Marie. They were obedient and plous for the joy and comfort of their poor parents.

one winter evening, this good family gathered about the table to eat their small loaf of bread, while the father read aloud from the Bible. Just as they sat down there came a knock on the window, and a sweet voice called, "O let me in! I am a little child, and I have nothing to eat, and no place to sleep. I am so cold and hungry! Please, good people, let me in!"

Valentine and Marie sprang from the table and ran to open the door, saying, "Come in, poor child, we have but very little ourselves, not much more than thou hast, but what we have we will share with thee."

The stranger Child entered, and going to the fire began to warm his cold hands. The children gave him a portion of their bread, and said, "Thou must be very tired, come, lie down in our bed, and we will sleep on the bench here before the fire."

When the parents went to their bed, Valentine and Marie



STONE LONESOME-This lovely old house of Kentucky River marble is the home of the E.C. O'Rear's II of Woodford County. Built around 1784, the house is shaded by a giant cedar, the last of fourteen that originally surrounded the house.

lay down on the bench before the fire, and said one to the other, "The stranger Child is happy now, because he is so warm! Good night!" Then they fell asleep. They had not slept many hours, when little Marie awoke and touching her brother lightly, whispered, "Valentine, Valentine, wake up! Wake up! Listen to the beautiful music at the window."

Valentine rubbed his eyes and listened. He heard the most wonderful singing and the sweet notes of many harps. "Blessed Child, These we greet, With sound of harp, and singing sweet, 'Ere the home That holdeth These Peace, and love, its guardians be."

"Sleep in peace, Child so bright, We have watched thee, All the night." The children listened to the beautiful singing, and it seemed to fill them with unspeakable happiness. Then creeping to the window they looked out. They saw a rosy light in the east, and, before the house in

the snow, stood a number of little children holding golden harps and lutes in their hands, and dressed in sparkling, silver robes. "Full of wonder" at this sight, Valentine and Marie continued to gaze out of the window, when they heard a sound behind them, and turning was the stranger Child standing near. He was clad in a golden garment, and wore a glistening, golden crown upon his soft hair. Sweetly he spoke to the children, "I am the Christ Child, who wanders about the world seeking to bring joy and good things to loving children. Because you have lodged me this night I will leave with you my blessings."

As the Christ Child spoke, He stepped from the door, and breaking off a bough from a fir tree that grew near, planted it in the ground, saying, "This bough shall grow into a tree, and every year it shall bear Christmas fruit for you." Having said this He vanished from their sight, together with the silver-clad singing children and the angels. And, as Valentine and Marie looked on in wonder, the fir bough grew; and grew into a stately Christmas Tree laden with golden apples, silver nuts, and lovely toys. And after that, every year at Christmas time, the tree bore the same wonderful fruit.

And you, when you gather around your richly decorated trees, think of the two poor children who shared their bread with a stranger child, and be thankful.

Wishing each of you a very merry Christmas,

WILLAILLA

Ida Hurst has returned home from the Rockcastle County Baptist Hospital. A speedy recovery is wished for her.

W.E. Burton, Mrs. Julia Norton and Mrs. Dora Burton, all remain about the same.

Sympathy is extended to the Taylor, Owens, and Stepp families in their sorrow.

Mrs. Mary Ping of Indianapolis, Indiana passed away at a hospital there recently.

Sympathy is extended to the family.

Mrs. Heddie Duvall has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Henry Duvall at Woodstock.

Recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Burton were Mr. and Mrs. Willard Davidson and family of Dayton, Ohio, Mrs. Gladys Bumgarner and Harold, Mrs. Dollie Stevens, Russell Long, Owen Burton, G.D. Burton and Lewis Brown.

Week end visitors of Mrs. Julia Norton were Mr. and Mrs. Russell Norton of Cincinnati, Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Norton and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ray McClure.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bullock and Andy visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles McClure Sunday.

A large crowd attended the funeral of Boyd Stepp at Liberty Saturday.

Mrs. Wilma Burton and Stephen were in Louisville over the week end visiting her sister, Selma Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Goff and Keith visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Goff recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Banks Pennington and daughter recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Hiatt Mink at Quail.

Lewis Brown visited Mrs. Ora Brown at Somerset a few days ago.

Mrs. Mary Jane Randolph and Mr. and Mrs. G.D. Burton visited Ida Hurst recently.

Arvil Burton and Mary Jane Randolph were in Somerset shopping recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McClure and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Long visited Mrs. Florence Albright recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Hopkins of Mt. Vernon visited Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Herrin one night last week.

Arvil Burton visited Mrs. Ora Brown at Somerset recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Lois McClure and family of Lowell Green spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stevens.

legend of the three trees & the Christ-Child

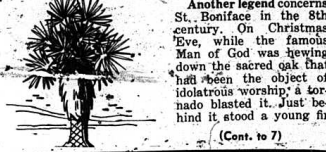
Trees have been friends of Man for as long as recorded history. But not always are they associated with the coming of the Christ Child, and the day which Christians (and other sects, too) celebrate.



Legends abound about the origin of the Christmas tree. One is based on the three trees near the manger—the olive, the date and the pine tree.



To honor the newborn king, the olive gave its fruit and the palm its dates as an offering, but the pine tree, given, had nothing to give. Some stars seeing this from above, gently descended from the heavens and rested upon its boughs as an offering. This charming tale is said to be the origin of the decorated tree.



Another legend concerns St. Boniface in the 8th century. On Christmas Eve, while the famous Man of God was hewing down the sacred oak that had been the object of idolatrous worship, a tornado blasted it. Just behind it stood a young fir tree.

Peace on earth and joy abound—



Merry Christmas

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QUAIL

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Casey of Ohio, and Mrs. Charles Casey and Karen of Valley Station spent the weekend with their mother and grandmother in Florence Albright and Diana Ann Mink and Boris Brown spent Sunday with Thelma Ponder...

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Long and Mr. and Mrs. Charles McClure spent Thursday with Florence Albright. Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Reynolds and Roxanne are spending a few days with Mrs. Elmer Long while Mr. Long is in the hospital. Mrs. Jesse Taylor visited Mrs. Pattie Baker Tuesday...

Mrs. Christine Brown, Billy Joe and Doris visited Mr. and Mrs. Casper G. Owens Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Chester Noe of Shopville spent Friday night with Mrs. Maude Hasty. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Barnes visited Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Taylor Friday afternoon...



Brindle Ridge

This community extends its deepest sympathy to the family of Mrs. Lizzie Sord of Brodhead. She was formerly of this community. Billy Lee Cameron, Jr. celebrated his 8th birthday Sunday with a party. Several of his friends attended. Mrs. Patricia Holland and daughter, Linda, spent the week end with her son, Sgt. and Mrs. David Holland, and Jennifer at Bedford, Va. Robert Cummins of Cincinnati, Ohio visited his brother, Charlie Cummins, and family Saturday. George Powell spent Sunday night with Mike Burdette. Several from here remain on the sick list.

low" is known as Father Christmas; in Germany, as Kris Kringle, Christkind or the Christ Child; in Denmark the Yule Man. Italians have changed the custom somewhat, using a female "Santa" known as Befana. She has a Russian counterpart, Baboushka, which recently has been changed to Grandfather Frost. The French call their gift-giver, Le Petit Noel. Even the day for exchanging gifts varies: Italy's day is Epiphany or January 6; France and Scotland use New Year's Day. Washington Irving portrayed St. Nicholas as a jolly, tubby fellow. Clement C. Moore elaborated in 1822, describing Santa with twinkling eyes, merry dimples, clothes of red fur with ermine-trim, cheeks of roses, a nose like a cherry, beard of white snow and a round belly that shook, when he laughed like a bowlful of jelly. Rudolph is the most popular of Santa's nine tiny reindeer that pull his big sleigh filled with toys for every girl and boy. Rudolph, as the story goes, guided Santa's sleigh one frosty, Christmas Eve "with his nose so bright". Landing on the Frodoops, Santa descends down the chimneys and delivers the gifts. And as he rides off to his next stop, one might hear a jolly "Merry Christmas to all and to a merry Christmas to all and to a merry night!" The same to you, Santa... St. Nicholas Kriss... or whoever you are. From a telegram by General Sherman to President Lincoln, Christmas Day, 1864: "I beg to present to you as a Christmas gift the city of Savannah."

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LADIES-AID MEETS

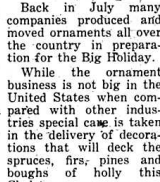
The Ladies Aid Missionary Society of the Brodhead Christian Church was held at the home of Mrs. F. Earl Mullins Thursday night, December 10 with 18 present. Officers for the coming year were elected. They are Mrs. Walter Baldwin, president; Mrs. Richard Shivel, vice president; and Mrs. Robert Machal, secretary-treasurer.

"THREE TREES"

(Cont. from 6) tree pointing a green spire heavenward. St. Boniface turned to the pagans and said, "This little tree is a young child of the forest, shall be your holy tree. It is the wood of peace, for your homes are built of it. It is the sign of an endless life, for its leaves are always green. Let this be the tree of the Christ child."

YES, VIRGINIA, THERE ARE GLASS ORNAMENT MAKERS. THEY WORK ON XMAS, MONTHS AHEAD

While you're busy selecting the perfect ornaments for your family tree, the manufacturers of them in all likelihood, are vacationing on some southern sands, or otherwise far away from the hustle... unless they, too, are admiring the ornaments selected for their trees!



Back in July many companies produced and moved ornaments all over the country in preparation for the Big Holiday. While the ornament business is not big in the United States when compared with other industries special care is taken in the delivery of decorations that will deck the spruces, firs, pines and boughs of holly this Christmas season. Miraculous dictu, only 12 to 15 per cent of such decorations are made of plastic. Because of the special care in the shipment of glass balls, less than 4,000 out of 200 million glass balls produced last year were broken. An excellent performance! Glass ornaments, which are produced by three companies in this country, are usually only five one-thousandths of an inch thick and are quite fragile. Most ornaments balls for the Christmas tree come in the popular size of 2 1/4 to 2 3/4 inches. One firm makes balls ranging from one" to 3 1/4". Currently a major portion of holiday ornaments comes from Japan, with more and more being imported from Hong Kong and Taiwan in recent years. Italy, Germany and some of the countries behind the Iron Curtain also supply these products to the United States. In fact 8 to 10 per cent of all glass ornaments, comes from outside of this country. Over 80 different designs are offered by one leading U.S. maker, which fashions about 40 million ornaments a year from American-produced glass. Most glass decorations today are manufactured by machine but a limited number are still made by hand.

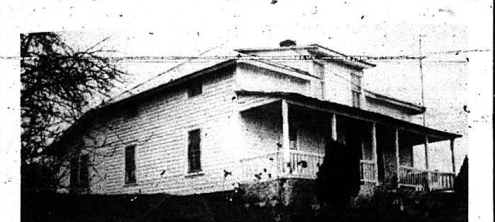
IT'S STILL SANTA CLAUS

Santa Claus has developed from Colonial times into a unique and colorful personality symbolizing the generous and festive spirit of Christmas. His appearance and legend became conventional in the mid-19th century; but, his dress and name differs from country to country. His legend in America is a composite of folk traditions from many European countries, which immigrants brought along with other holiday customs, merged with those of the English settlers. Dutch settlers from New Amsterdam first introduced the idea in America. They called him St. Nicholas (Nicolaus). Santa Claus came into the American language as the Dutch name changed to San Nicolas or Sint Klous, then to Santa Claus. Many people are surprised to know there was a St. Nicholas who was bishop of Myra in Asia Minor during the early fourth century. According to legend, he gave a bag of gold to each of three poor daughters to provide dowries for them, saving them from shame and slavery. In England, Australia, and South Africa, the "jolly fel-



It is our sincere wish that happiness and prosperity find their way into the homes of our friends and remain with them throughout the coming year. IDEAL CAFE William, Margie, Ruby, Fannie & Madeline

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Christmas In America Is A Blend Of Customs

The Pilgrims and Puritans, after escaping from England to America, did not believe in the festivals of Christmas and the New Year.

Until the late nineteenth century Christmas celebrations were outlawed in New England. On Christmas Day, it was decreed that people should work even harder.

In Boston anyone who refused to report to work on Christmas was usually fined. As late as 1870, Boston public schools were open on Christmas Day. Any pupil who stayed home to observe Christmas was punished.

When the German immigrants came to this country with their Christmas tree, and the Irish with their custom of lights in the window, and both with the idea of the creche, and carols, humor, church services and abstaining from work on December 25, their New England neighbors began to join in the customs because they seemed so charming.

By the late 19th century, Christmas was being celebrated in the United States. There was a turkey dinner with cranberry sauce, candy, plum pudding and pie. Church bells chimed and carolers sang

on Christmas Eve. Stockings were hung in a row by the fireplace, and children waited for Santa Claus and the gifts he would bring.

In the South, skyrocketers were set off, cannons roared, horns were tooted and bells rang. Brass bands played songs like "Dixie," and soldiers marched. The houses were decorated with greens, and mistletoe was hung over the doorways.

Parts of Spanish New Mexico started their celebrations a week before Christmas Day. On Christmas Eve, people gathered together to put on a Christmas play about the story of Bethlehem.

The Shakers observed Christmas by allowing the men and women to sit at the table together. During the rest of the year they ate at separate tables. The Christmas dinner was eaten in silence. Afterwards the Shakers rose in their places and sang.

Pennsylvania Dutch children celebrated by looking out for Pez (Santa Claus). Someone impersonated him on Christmas Eve by dressing up as an old man with a long white beard. He carried a switch and a bag of toys and went from house to house asking parents if the children were good. Good ones received a gift. Bad ones got tapped with the switch.

Puerto Rican children during this time were told that Santa flew through the air like a bird. They made boxes to place on the roof or in the courtyard for Santa to drop gifts into.

In Alaska, a popular custom was to carry a brightly lighted star from house to house. Carols were sung and refreshments served at each stop.

Today, Christmas celebrations are widespread and quite similar throughout the United States. Books, magazines, television and the mobility of our population acquaint us with all customs. More and more, we are adopting bits of other cultures' Christmas celebrations into our own, making the occasion international in flavor.

"PATIENTS REGISTER"
(Cont. from five)

Frankie, Livingston; Keith Allen Stewart, Higby; Mary French, Orlando; Roscoe Kirby, Mt. Vernon; Mae Anderson, Conway; Flossie Campbell, Mt. Vernon; Bev Allen, Orlando; Steven W. Mullins, Mt. Vernon; Nellie Emerson, Brodhead.
Fannie Stallsworth, Mt. Ver-



KENTUCKY WILDFLOWERS—Mrs. Nellie Meadows, Kentucky wildflower artist, presents two additional wildflower prints to Kentucky Commissioner of Health William P. McElwain, M.D. The first eight prints were presented to former Commissioner Russell E. Teague, M.D. The newest additions complete a series of 10 which now hang in the Board Room at the State Department of Health. (Karen Tam Photo)

Edward Denney, Mt. Vernon; Virgia Ponder, Livingston; Wm. David Vanwinkle, Orlando; Regina Miller, Mt. Vernon; Wilma Stuckmyer, Mt. Vernon; Pamela Wilson, Mt. Vernon.

SANTA RIDES A WHITE MARE OVER ROOF TOPS . . . OTHER DUTCH XMAS-LORE

Donner, Blitzen and all the rest of that squad of flying reindeer which Dr. Clement Moore immortalized in his famous poem might get "in Dutch" with the children of the Netherlands who traditionally get a different image at Christmas. And the timing is different. Christmas comes twice a year for the children of Holland. They get their presents on the evening of Dec. 5 or the following morning. Three weeks later, with the rest of the world, they celebrate the festival in a religious way.



In the morning, if the children have behaved themselves they may find a little toy or some goodies in their shoes.

From the middle of November the misty Dutch air is filled with the sound of children's voices singing the traditional St. Nicholas song, completely secular. After Dec. 6 there is a switchover to Christmas carols.



St. Nicholas, the arbitrator of all the Santa and Snowmen figures all over the world arrives in Holland from Spain in the middle of November. From then until Dec. 6, the Saint's birthday, Dutch children may put their shoes by the fireside every evening, together with a carrot or a slice of bread for the white mare which the saint traditionally rides over the roof-tops in Holland.



Dutch mothers and fathers shop, especially until late in the evening for two weeks before Dec. 6.

western States and Lake States — Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan — will provide more than half of all Christmas trees this year. The Northwest will contribute about a fifth of the trees; the Central and Southern States, together, another one-fifth.

Of the seven of all trees sold will come from outside the United States. Canadian fir trees lead the imports.

Most domestic trees are grown in plantations. Plantation growing assures better shaped trees, since shearing and pruning are part of the raising regimen. Plantation growing of Christmas trees is a recent development. Just 10 years ago most trees used at Christmas grew wild and unattended during their formative years.

Further Christmas tree information is available from Information Services, Northeastern Forest Experiment Station, 6816 Market Street, Upper Darby, Pa. 19082.

Warm Christmas

From a letter Horace Wahpole wrote to his friend Sir Horace Mann, Strawberry Hill, December 25, 1748:

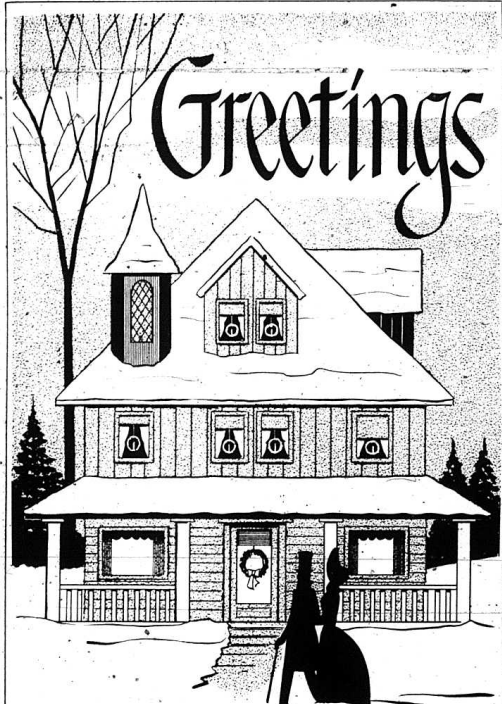
"Did you ever know a gentleman?—Here am I come down to what you call keep my Christmas! Indeed it is not in all the forms I have stuck no laurel and holly in my windows. I eat no turkey and chine, I have no tenants to invite, I have not brought a single soul with me. The weather is excessively stormy, but has been so warm, and so entirely free from frosts the whole winter, that not only several of my honeysuckles are come out, but I have literally a blossom upon a nectarine-tree, which I believe was never seen in this climate before on the 26th of December. I am extremely hussy here planting."

IN MEMORY
Of Lincoln Whitaker
This is the first Christmas we could not see your face or hear your sweet voice, Oh, how we miss you, it brings back days we will never forget, but the memories we have will never die as years roll on and days pass by.
Sadly missed by all
Writings by Marie McCracken



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good cheer at Christmas!
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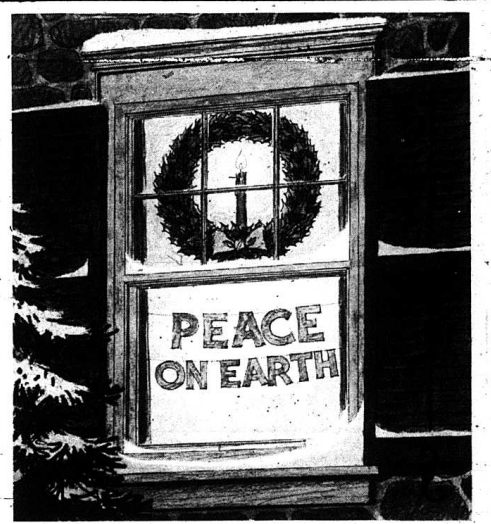
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