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GERMAN PUSH INTO FRENCH AFRICA IMMINENT

Fate of Wake Unknown, But Feared Lost Reports Indicate Drive May Be In Progress Now

Some Signs Of Optimism Are Noted

Although Most Observers Pessimistic Over Fate Of Tiny Isle, Some Find Hope In Fact That Navy Has Not Yet Conceded Heroic Defenders Have Been Forced To Yield To Japs

Washington, Dec. 23. (AP)—An unadorned Navy report—"an enemy force effected a landing on Wake the morning of the 23rd"—put a great question mark tonight over a tiny sand speck in the Pacific.

Canadian Officer Lost At Hongkong

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—(AP)—Canadian defense headquarters announced today that Brigadier J. K. Lawson, commander of the Canadian contingent taking part in the defense of Hongkong, had been killed and that Canadian casualties had been heavy.

Colored Schools Aid In Seal Sale Drive

Mrs. W. I. Wooten, Greenville chairman of the Seal Sale, reports that the colored schools of Greenville through the efforts of Professor C. M. Epps have turned in \$56 reported from the sale of Tuberculosis Seals.

Jap Born In America Killed In California

Los Angeles, Dec. 23.—(AP)—Larry K. Tasaka, 30, American born Japanese honorably discharged from the army's medical department September 30, was found stabbed to death on a sidewalk today.

Shopping Day till Christmas



LABOR CHIEFS AND INDUSTRY ACCEPT TERMS

Points Of Agreement Sanctioned By Roosevelt WORK STOPPAGE TO BE PREVENTED Terms Provide That There Shall Be No Strikes Or Lockouts For Duration Of War

Washington, Dec. 23. (AP)—President Roosevelt brought a labor-management conference to an abrupt close today by accepting the points on which the conferees were in agreement, including a pledge to refrain from strikes or lockouts for the duration.

As for the controversial closed shop question, a letter the President sent to the conference did not mention it specifically, but William H. Davis, moderator of the conference, interpreted the letter as meaning that a new War Labor Board would have jurisdiction over issues involving the closed shop.

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While business in general will not observe a two-day holiday for Christmas, many employees will get off both Thursday, Christmas day, and Friday.

The Night Before Christmas



FILIPINOS ARE FIGHTING MAD

Manila, Dec. 23.—(AP)—The Filipinos are fighting mad and morale is excellent among troops and civilians.

CREWS ESCAPE LOSS OF LIFE

The Richfield Oil Tanker Larry Deheny, evidently fired on by the same submarine, fled to the shelter of a cove without being damaged.

THIS 'MAN CHURCHILL

Washington, Dec. 23.—(AP)—Introducing the Right Honorable Winston Leonard Spencer Churchill, Prime Minister of Great Britain, now the guest of President Roosevelt at the White House.

Until Friday

With this Christmas greeting, we bid you adieu until Friday.

Fuehrer Declared In Nervous State

London, Dec. 23.—(AP)—The Moscow radio said today in a broadcast heard here that Adolf Hitler recently had consulted "the famous German Doctor Schuster" and was told he was suffering severe nervous exhaustion and inflammation of the eyes.

Establish Donets-Leningrad Communications

Moscow, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Red army troops swiftly re-established communications with the Donets basin and Leningrad in their big winter offensive today, announced the recapture of Gorbachevo, 153 miles south of here and the withdrawal of the Nazis across the Volkhov river to the northwest.

Draftee Declares He Fired 1st Shot

Minneapolis, Dec. 23.—(AP)—A Minneapolis draftee believes he fired the first American shot in the war of the Pacific.

Bomber May Have Sunk Enemy Subs

San Francisco, Dec. 23.—(AP)—Swift-striking United States bombing planes may have damaged or sunk the big enemy submarine which torpedoed the American tanker Edigio.

Good Neighbor

Montevideo, Uruguay, Dec. 23.—(AP)—A subscription was launched today to equip and send 50 Uruguayan airmen to serve in the United States' air forces.

TURNING POINT IN WAR SEEN BY CHURCHILL

Premier Attends Roosevelt's Press Conference HIGHLY PLEASED AT DEVELOPMENTS Asserts German Defeat By Russia And Entry Of U. S. Into War Produced Turning Point

FURTHER GAINS MADE BY REDS

It was impossible to describe his feeling of relief, he said, to find Russia victorious and the United States and Great Britain standing side by side.

Escape Despite Jap Fire After Ship Torpedoed

San Francisco, Dec. 23.—(AP)—A marauding Japanese submarine sank an American tanker off the coast today, machine-gunned its sailors as they took to lifeboats and shelled another tanker.

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VOROSHILOV IN NEW COMMAND

Noted Red Officer In Charge of Far East Army London, Dec. 23.—(AP)—A London authority said today Marshal Klement Voroshilov, who organized the all-out defense of Leningrad last August as commander of the northern Russian front, had been appointed commander of Soviet forces in the Far East.

Norwegians Fined By Nazi Officials

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Reports Indicate Drive May Be In Progress Now

London, Dec. 23.—(AP)—The long-expected German push into French North Africa over the protesting but prostrate figure of old Marshal Petain is imminent or already in progress, a variety of reports from the continent of Europe indicated strongly tonight.

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Social and Personal

Mrs. Elizabeth White Perkins of Raleigh, is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. J. B. White.

Misses Gay and Ann Dupree of Washington, D. C. will arrive tomorrow to visit Mrs. Joseph Dixon.

Taylor Carr will arrive today from Dothan, Ala., to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Carr.

Mrs. Jack Edwards is spending Christmas in Norfolk, Va.

Jack Edwards has returned from Hartford, where he attended the funeral on Monday of his uncle, Walter M. Rollins.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Joyner have returned from their wedding trip and are making their home at 1006 East Fifth street.

Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Browne are spending the holidays on their farm in Illinois.

Miss Elizabeth Everett, who teaches in Murfreesboro, is at home for the holidays.

R. O. Everett is at home from Stree College in Raleigh, to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. S. J. Everett.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sharpe of Burlington, are guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Hodges.

Bruce Warren, Jr., of Asheville, is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Susie E. Warren. Mrs. Bruce Warren and daughter, Hannah, will arrive on Friday for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde M. Brown of Kirksville, Missouri, arrived yesterday to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Brown, Sr., on Dickinson avenue.

Mr. R. H. Hunsucker has improved sufficiently to return to his home in Winterville from Pitt General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Dall of Hopkinsville, Ky., are spending the holidays with relatives in Greenville.

Miss Verna Dare Corey, who teaches in Ahsoskie, and Mrs. Bob Fennell of Wilmington, are spending the Christmas holidays with their mother, Mrs. Sudie Corey.

Mr. and Mrs. James P. Dees left yesterday for a visit in Charlotte and Asheville. They were accompanied by Miss Wade Dean Love.

Private Roosevelt Harris of Fort Bragg, is spending Christmas with his aunt, Mrs. Bert Stainback of this city.

Miss Artelissa White is leaving today to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. White, in Tyner, N. C.

Entertainers At Dance. Miss Josie Barnes White was hostess at a most enjoyable dance on Monday evening at the Greenville Country Club.

The club rooms were effectively decorated with holly, pine and other winter greenery, to carry out the Christmas motif.

From attractively decorated refreshment tables, sandwiches, individual cakes, popcorn and punch were served at intermission to a large number of Greenville's younger set and out-of-town guests.

Mr. Herring Continues Ill. Mr. Lewis W. Herring continues very ill in Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore. Mr. Herring will leave Wednesday afternoon to be with him.

Square Dance in Grifton. There will be a square dance at the Grifton community building, in Grifton, Friday night, December 26, from 8 until 1 o'clock. This is sponsored by the Athletic Club.

Social Calendar

THURSDAY
8:30 p. m.—Rehearsal for the Painter-Gaylord wedding, at the Eighth Street Christian Church.

9:30 p. m.—Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hannah, Mr. and Mrs. Reid Perkins and Lieut. and Mrs. Harry Hagerty will entertain the Painter-Gaylord wedding party and out-of-town guests, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hannah.

FRIDAY
10:00 a. m.—The wedding of Miss Julia Gaylord and Lieutenant Dean Edgar Painter will be solemnized in the Eighth Street Christian Church.

7:30 p. m.—Red Men will meet.

10:00 p. m.—German Club dance at the Country Club.

SATURDAY
4:00 p. m.—Mrs. Hortense Moyer will entertain at tea honoring Mrs. R. G. Shackelf of Tarboro.

Thayer-Gaston.
Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Gaston announce the marriage of their daughter Ethel Blackwell to

Mr. Lester Thayer, Jr. on Tuesday, December twenty-third Nineteen hundred and forty-one Greenville, North Carolina

In a ceremony attended only by members of the immediate family, Miss Ethel Blackwell Gaston of Greenville and Kannapolis, and Mr. Lester Thayer of Winthrop, Massachusetts and Fort Bragg, were united in marriage on Tuesday afternoon, December twenty-third, at the home of the bride's parents in Greenville. Reverend Joseph Andrews, pastor of the Evangelical Reform Church of Kannapolis, officiated, using the double ring ceremony.

Mrs. Guy V. Smith of Greenville, rendered a program of pre-nuptial music, and during the ceremony softly played "Lebestraum" by Liszt.

The vows were spoken before an improvised altar of white lilies and gladoli interspersed with fern, trailing cedar and English ivy. Cathedral candles burned in seven-branched candelabra on either side of the altar and in the center of the mantel.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Robert Lawrence Gaston. She wore a cadet blue wool gabardine suit with nut brown accessories and a shoulder corsage of white gardenias. For travel she added a beige coat with a luxurious brown beaver collar.

Mrs. George Ingle, sister of the bride, was her only attendant. She wore a black and white faille crepe dress with white trim and matching accessories. Her corsage was of American Beauty roses.

Mr. S. O. Nolan of Johnston, New York and Fort Bragg, attended the groom's best man.

Mrs. Thayer is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lawrence Gaston of Greenville. She was graduated from East Carolina Teachers College and is at present director of physical education in the women's department of the Cannon Memorial Y. M. C. A. in Kannapolis. Her marriage will be of interest to her many friends throughout the Carolinas and Virginia.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Thayer of Winthrop, Massachusetts. He is a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and is now located at Fort Bragg as staff sergeant of the Radio Division.

Immediately following the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Thayer left for Winthrop, Mass., to spend the holidays with Mr. Thayer's parents.

MODES of the MOMENT

by Helen Forrist Hall



Shades of Daniel Boone and his coonskin cap. That's what we have here—done in silver fox tail with a muff to match.

Forty Years Ago Today

THE DAILY REFLECTOR
Wednesday, December 24, 1901

Merry Christmas to all! "I'll be hanged," says the stocking. "Here it is Christmas Eve." Bruce Sugg came down from Rocky Mount Monday evening to spend Christmas here.

It looked like an exodus this morning at the depot. Two extra coaches were on and all of them were full. All the hands connected with the lumber road, near town, left for their homes and there was a big crowd of them.

Printers are human beings, like other folks, and enjoy a little holiday once in a while. The Reflector force have worked hard and faithfully through the year, not missing an issue except Thanksgiving day, and they deserve a little recreation. So we are going to ask the indulgence of our readers for a few days, it being our purpose not to publish another paper until Saturday. We take occasion here to wish every friend and patron of the paper a Merry Christmas.

Ballard's X Roads

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Little and family of Falkland, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Worthington.

Albert French Tyson of Wilson, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Tyson. Meron Alfred Worthington spent the week-end with Louis Holloway.

Misses Myrtle and Lillian Harris of Lenoir College, are at home for the holidays.

Mrs. Mae Byrd and Miss Jennie Byrd of near Ayden, visited Mrs. Lester Worthington Sunday.

Miss Blanche Rooks of E. C. T. C. spent Thursday night with Miss Myrtle Harris.

Miss Jane Ellen Elks will arrive Wednesday to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Elks. John Edward Little of near Tarboro, is visiting his brother, Clarence Little.

Miss Nancy Flanagan, a teacher in the Bethel school, is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Annie Flanagan.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Tyson visited in Greene county Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hart spent Thursday with Mrs. Bessie Byrd near Ormondville.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Piney Grove F. W. B. Church met Friday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Wiley Crawford. Mrs. Raymond Tyson was in charge of the meeting. Mrs. Crawford, assisted by Mrs. Thurman Page and Mrs. Joe Jones, served grape drinks, chicken salad sandwiches, Christmas candy and nuts.

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Bottled and Bottled by
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BOWEN HILLS, FAYETTE COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Bond Sales Revealed By Various Chairmen

Additional purchasers of Tuberculosis bonds were announced last night as follows:

Stokes, four purchasers of \$5 bonds each, total \$20. Mrs. J. B. Gieton, district chairman; Bethel, three purchasers of \$10 bonds each, total \$30. Mrs. Connel Garrenton, district chairman; Farmville, one \$30 purchase, one \$25 purchase, one \$10 purchase, and one \$5 purchase, total \$70. Miss Tabitha DeVisconti, chairman.

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- Greenville Beauty Shop
- Ideal Beauty Shoppe
- Cinderella Beauty Parlor
- De Luxe Beauty Shoppe
- Retha's Beauty Parlor
- West Greenville Beauty Shop
- Friendly Beauty Shoppe

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Blount-Harvey

GREETINGS

To One And All



At this time, the 41st Christmas season since the establishment of our business here, it is our happy privilege to wish our friends and patrons, old and new, throughout this section a

MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS
NEW YEAR



We Send You Our GREETINGS

What we have to say is brief but sincere: To all our friends we wish a very Merry Christmas and joy and prosperity in 1942.

BRODY'S
Ladies' Department Store

Best Jewelry Company
"Eastern Carolina's Leading Jewelers"
Established 1901

BRITISH TANKS USED ON AXIS

Deployed In Line Of Retreat In African War

Cairo, Dec. 23.—(AP)—British tanks tonight along the coastal plain of the blue gulf of Sirte on the Axis line of retreat more than 300 miles inside Libya and the odds mounted hourly against the battered forces of Nazi General Erwin Rommel ever reaching their Tripolitanian bases.

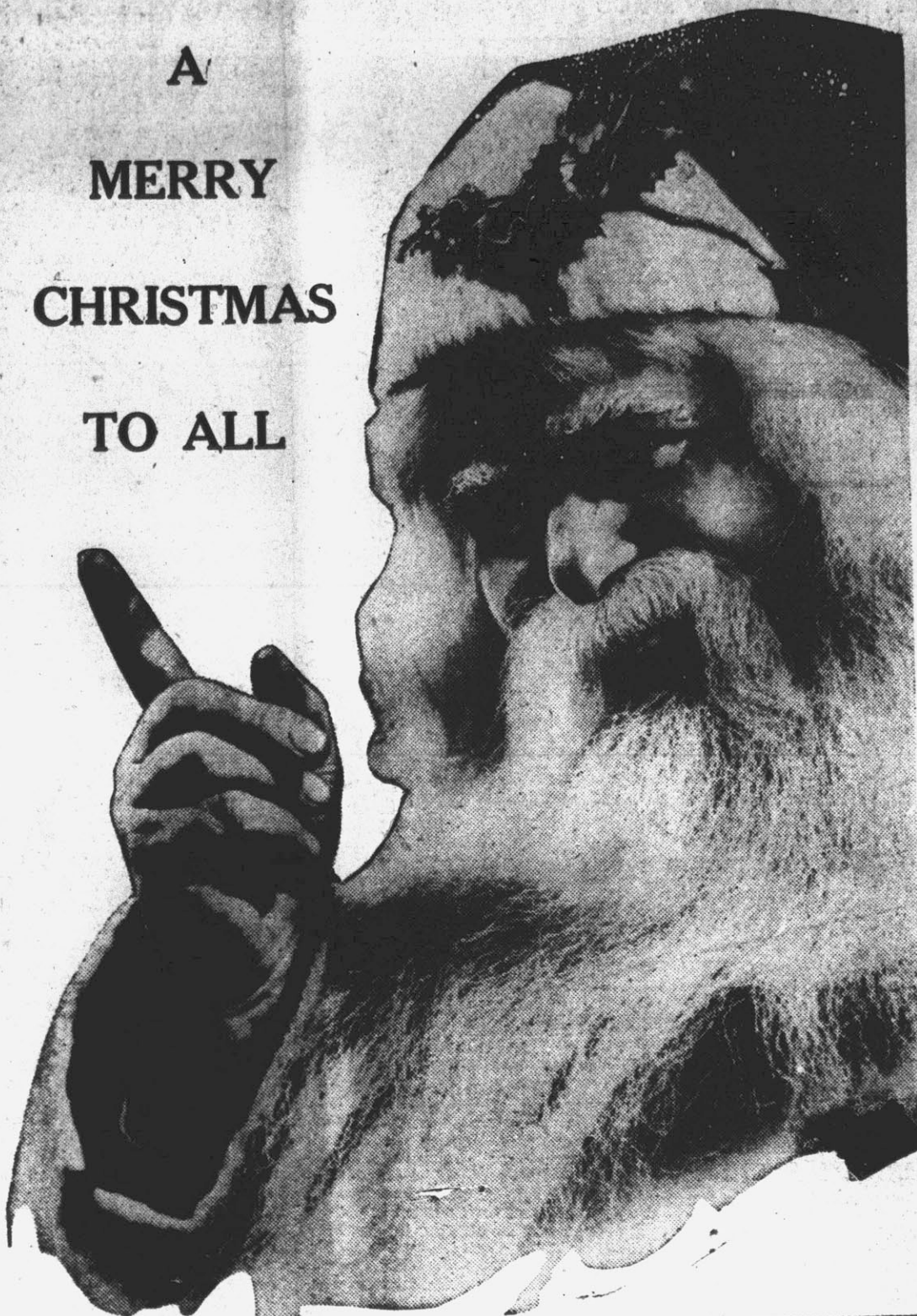
The forward Imperial units which have been astride of the coastal road at some points along the gulf and the troops now effecting a link across the plain were expected to be an effective stopper to any Axis attempt to leave the highway and try to escape westward by desert trail.

"Throughout yesterday," a headquarters communique said, "the pressure upon the enemy holdings covering Bengasi was steadily increased by the arrival of reinforcements, while our mobile columns had reached the coastal plain of the Gulf of Sirte south of Bengasi.

"It is now reported that along the whole line of the enemy's retreat west of Mekkili the countryside is littered with abandoned material. Many Germans and Italians have been overtaken by our pursuing troops."

Miss Ingalls Held Under Indictment
Washington, Dec. 23.—(AP)—A federal grand jury today indicted Laura Ingalls, 38, of New York, one of the nation's best known women pilots on a charge of failing to register as a foreign agent. The indictment charged she had

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL



been paid as a publicity agent by Baron Ulrich von Gienanth, second secretary of the German embassy. Miss Ingalls was arrested last Wednesday. She was released from jail under \$7,500 bond on Sunday, but will be required to appear in court and have new bond fixed under the indictment.

Novelty nail polish is available in Christmas boxes for about 60 cents and will please any lady with lovely hands. Maybe you will have time to go to a nearby town and record a greeting to send the family. It's worth inquiring about. Some persons last year mailed such a record to one

member of the family and asked that it be forwarded to others. Florida produces 84 per cent of the phosphate in the United States. Parts of Ichang, China, a city high above the river in dry seasons, are sometimes under water during flood stage.

Head Of Academy Ordered To Duty

Annapolis, Md., Dec. 23.—(AP)—Rear Admiral Russell Willson, Naval Academy superintendent, was ordered to duty today as chief of staff to Admiral Ernest J. King, commander in chief of the United States fleet. Academy officials said Admiral Willson would assume his new duties about January 1. Willson succeeded Rear Admiral Wilson Brown as Naval Academy superintendent last February.

British Subs Get Six Axis Vessels

London, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Six Axis ships—transports, supply craft and possibly one armed merchant cruiser have been smashed by submarines of the British Mediterranean fleet blockading the crumbling German-Italian armies of Africa, the Admiralty announced tonight. This meant that since the British Eighth Army began its advance into the desert on November 18 the Navy and RAF had sunk or damaged 53 Axis supply ships of transports in the Mediterranean. The navy has sunk or damaged 25 such vessels in addition to four cruisers, two destroyers and three submarines. The RAF has accounted for 28 supply ships.

In Line With A Soldier's Budget

By MARGARET KERNODLE
AP Feature Service Writer
New York — Gifts from a \$21-a-month man must be budgeted but must be bright ideas. And watch those men go to town. Here are some of the things they'll be sending to mother, father, sister, brother and sweetheart:
Culinary gifts for mother or father (if he loves to cook special dishes) can include a cheerful Santa Claus with a set of assorted herbs, salts, an herb chart about what goes on what (about \$1.50).
Mother or married sister will like paper linen towels for guests at the cottage. These come in a package of 36 for about 50 cents. Patterns are pretty, too.
A man can get a gadget for his girl's office locker that's downright cute in a set of three lipsticks put together like a conductors change purse (about \$1).
A candy cane entwined with tinsel and a sprig of holly contain both lipstick and dusting powder (about \$2.50) — could be sent to mother and sister with a note to split the package.
Brother might go for one of those nifty telescopes (about \$1) that come in a handy case. Or he might like shower soap he can wear around his neck (about 50 cents).
Christmas cards with gay soldiers, sailors or Uncle Sam himself come with defense saving spaces for 10-cent stamps. That's a line idea to combine a greeting and start a savings plan for a young nephew.



SEASON'S GREETINGS

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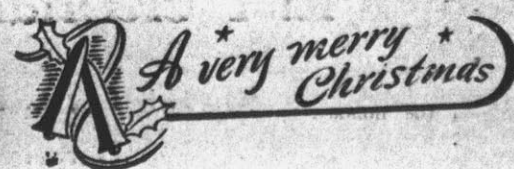
Most cherished among the gifts bestowed by the passing year is the memory of the pleasant relations with those whom we have been privileged to serve, so it is most sincerely that we wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



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IT IS THE SINCERE HOPE
of
OUR ENTIRE STAFF
THAT EACH OF YOU WILL HAVE
A
MOST MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR
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SEASON'S GREETINGS

Our sincere hope for you is that you will have a

Very Merry Christmas
And A
Happy, Prosperous New Year
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This is Our Sincere
Wish For Your
**HAPPY
HOLIDAY—**
A very merry Christmas and may
your every wish come true in the
New Year.
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Strength For The Day

By EARL L. DOUGLASS

DAYBREAK IN THE SOUL

Before Christ came, men were in darkness. Isaiah, in the ninth chapter of his prophecy, tells us that they "walked in darkness" and in "the shadow of death." Throughout the Roman world there was the feeling that disintegration was taking place. In the midst of outward magnificence men were conscious of the presence of hidden corruption. Those who were sensitive to the spiritual aspects of life, realized that sin and death were getting in their deadly work. They longed for light and cheer.

And then the great light came. They that walked in darkness saw a great light. The lowly and chilling experience of sitting in the darkness was suddenly changed into one of hopefulness and expectancy. Day began to dawn. The long night was over. The love of God streaming over the world like the first rays of sunshine, began to turn men's hearts from despair to hope. When men live without Christ today, they live without light. They pick their way through life with flickering tapers when God expects them to walk cheerfully in the fullness of noontide sunshine. The little candles that we have lighted with our own knowledge, flicker and go out in the rough blast. When trouble pushes open the door of our house, when death comes in to sit as a guest, these little candles of ours have no effective beams.

It is in such an hour as this we have to turn to the Light of the World. Then and then only do we know that it is daybreak in the soul.

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OUR BEST WISHES

That you will have a Merry Christmas and that the days of the New Year will bring you much happiness is the sincere wish of every person connected with this newspaper for our readers and friends whoever and wherever they might be.

'PEACE ON EARTH'

Viewed from the standpoint of the present world conflict there are some who might feel that there can be no joy this Christmas, but taken in its true meaning, the promise of Christmas should bring comfort to a troubled world. We celebrate Christmas in commemoration of the birth of Christ who came to earth that men might be free from the bondage of sin. There can be no doubt that the world's troubles today are the result of the sinful who refuse to follow the Master's teachings that men should walk in His footsteps and live in brotherly love.

The Babe of Bethlehem hailed as the Prince of Peace over nineteen centuries ago is still the Prince of Peace but not until the world turns from its unrighteous ways and truly follows the "Star of Bethlehem" to find Jesus, can it hope to have "Peace on Earth and Good Will Toward Men."

At Last! A Friendly Face



Washington Daybook

By Jack Stinson

Washington—Capital comment: Although Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau is the No. 1 salesman of defense saving stamps and bonds, he can't even sell himself a two-bitter.

It's not that his sales talk isn't convincing, even to the secretary, but it's against the law.

It seems that back in the 19th century, one of our secretaries did a little government bond buying at the rate of 80 cents on the dollar and sold out at par. After deliberating that for some years, Congress in 1889 came to the conclusion that such tactics weren't strictly on the up and up and passed a law that no secretary could sell himself government securities.

That's why Morgenthau, in spite of being the Nation's No. 1 bond salesman, is his own worst prospect.

Proof of one of governmental Washington's worst employe shortages is the way that the Civil Service Commission has lowered the requirements on stenographers and typists. It's down now, according to an official who is supposed to know about such things to such a point that a 16-year-old student in high school typing can qualify for some of the jobs.

The commission's fight to keep ahead of the demand for typists is desperate. Although more than 100,000 have taken the tests in six months or so, the list of "available" is reportedly decreasing.

An interesting phase of the shortage is that only about 50 per cent of the eligibles offered jobs in Washington will accept them. The reason generally given is that stenographer's and typist's pay isn't sufficient to meet the Washington h. c. l.

Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS**
- Poem
 - Promontories
 - Wager
 - Unit of wire measurement
 - Grown person
 - Standard final
 - Piece out
 - Norwegian
 - Melody
 - Drink of the gods
 - Wood of the sandalac tree
 - Hermetic spinning wheels
 - Stripling
 - Fal
 - Inferior race horses
 - Wife of Zeus
 - Delay action
 - Skip over water
- DOWN**
- Like
 - Erudite
 - Six
 - Fruit stone
 - Surrounded
 - Begin
 - Nestle
 - Theroid
 - Chart
 - Ancient Persian coin
 - Murmur
 - Article of jewelry
 - Entirely
 - Front of Greek letter
 - Shelter
 - Kingdom in India
 - Floor covering
 - Spool
 - Ringlet
 - Pet name for a close relative
 3. Voter
 - Singing bird
 - Embellish
 - Soft murmur
 - Loherin's wife
 - Resembling a star
 - Having hair on the face
 - Style of poetry
 - Weary
 - Pertaining to musical sound
 - Devour
 - Boxed
 - Fellows
 - Ingredient of varnish
 - Scraped linen
 - Black bird
 - Backbone
 - Lament
 - Vegetable
 - Order of architecture
 - Drinking glass
 - Gatherers
 - Talk idly
 - Fishes from a moving boat
 - Assumed name
 - Seething application
 - Title of Athens
 - At any time
 - Small case
 - Labels
 - Any monkey

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Uncle Sam has a standing reward of \$25 for the apprehension of all deserters from the Army. The catch in it is that deserters have to be turned over at the post from which they deserted to get the full \$25 and no additional fee is paid for keep, cost of arrest, etc. If the Army has to come get the deserter, it only pays \$15 reward.

By the way, whatever became of that threat that the boys were going "over the hill in October," if the draft was extended? It was extended.

The Army doesn't hand out any figures, but it is known that there has been no appreciable increase in the number of boys going a. w. o. l. It has been pointed out several times since the draft army started training that actual desertions are comparably lower than ever before.

It's not a matter of priorities — but dentists and doctors from some areas are complaining of a shortage in certain medical supplies, because the Army is buying up such vast quantities.

Name of the week: U Saw, prime minister of Burma, who stopped over here on his way home from a visit to Winston Churchill. The gentleman's name is really just Saw — nothing more nor nothing less. The U is a term of respect.

Around... Capital Square

By BOB THOMPSON
CONGRESS. — R. L. McMillan, state commander of the American Legion, is a willing listener these days to those people who are suggesting that he run against Harold Cooley for Congress from this, the

Solution Of Yesterday's Puzzle

- DOWN**
- Six
 - Levee
 - Voter
 - Singing bird
 - Embellish
 - Soft murmur
 - Loherin's wife
 - Resembling a star
 - Having hair on the face
 - Style of poetry
 - Weary
 - Pertaining to musical sound
 - Devour
 - Boxed
 - Fellows
 - Ingredient of varnish
 - Scraped linen
 - Black bird
 - Backbone
 - Lament
 - Vegetable
 - Order of architecture
 - Drinking glass
 - Gatherers
 - Talk idly
 - Fishes from a moving boat
 - Assumed name
 - Seething application
 - Title of Athens
 - At any time
 - Small case
 - Labels
 - Any monkey

before and since he got elected.

ISSUE—What would be the main issue in such a race is hard to tell. Maybe there would be none. But regardless of what the candidates said, Cooley's "shoulder my musket" speech would be repeated by McMillan's friends in every filling station in the district.
That speech, made during the race with Pou, was one of the few dumb things Harold Cooley ever did. Some mother had asked him how he would vote about a declaration of war. Back then it seemed almost certain that Cooley would never get a chance to vote on war but the question gave him a chance to pull out all the stops and cut loose with one of those super-sentimental, passionately patriotic, eagle screaming elegies which in the callow days of his political youth he liked so much. The day he voted for war, roared Harold, he would resign his seat in Congress, "shoulder my musket" and march beside said worried mother's boy into the jaws of death — or what have you.

KICK BACK—Then came the war, for which Harold voted. Maybe he thought no one would remember the speech, otherwise it would have been wise for him to make some sort of a gesture immediately after the vote. But it was not until after a newspaper had carried the story of his almost forgotten campaign speech, and inquired just what Harold was going to do about that musket business, that the Congressman came forward with his excuse.
He had been to both the army and navy and had been turned down by both on account of his age, said Harold, who is 44 and a veteran of the last war.
Of course Cooley, as a veteran Congressman, is of far more value to his country in Washington than in the army or navy, but the reaction to speeches like that is not based on reason—just as the speech itself was not.

"SAY NO"—A couple of state officials were bragging about their respective secretaries the other day. "With one exception Miss So-and-so is the best secretary the state has ever employed," said one.
"Who is the exception?" asked the other.

"I don't know her name and I don't think I ever saw her. But she used to work for Dr. E. C. Brooks when he was president of State College and a friend of mine told me about her. One day he and Dr. Brooks were going somewhere and the Doc was cleaning up his desk in a hurry. He had a long letter from somebody which he scanned hurriedly and handed to his secretary."
"Answer this letter in about a page and a half," said the college president, "and say no."

Samuel G. Blythe, author and journalist, was one of the first newspapermen to use a typewriter.

THIS MAN CHURCHILL

(Continued from Page One)

"I tell you," the general protested, "this is a very dangerous place."
"Yes, Sir," Churchill agreed, "but after all, this is a very dangerous war."
The Prime Minister is famous for the hats he wears. Most famous was the clergyman's hat under which he escaped from the Boers (when serving as a war correspondent). Other favorites have been silk topers of odd shapes, soft felts of no shape, a beret, and nowadays a naval cap or a John Bull stiff black felt.

When defeated for Parliament in 1923 he took his brushes and palette and went to Egypt to paint pictures—he'd been there before, fighting on the Nile in 1898.

When in New York in 1931 he was knocked down by a taxicab, hospitalized, and ill for some time with pleurisy. He apologized to the taxi driver and sent him tickets for his next lecture.

Churchill was one of the few prominent British politicians who openly supported Edward VII (now the Duke of Windsor) prior to his abdication and one of the last to bid him goodbye when he sailed from England on December 11, 1936.

Churchill won medals for bravery aiding the Cubans against the Spanish in 1895; on India's northwestern frontier in 1897; on the Nile in 1898; against the Boers in South

America in 1899-1900 and on the western front in France in 1914. He thumbed his nose at Nazi submarines and now he's back again.

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Christmas Games: What to Play Besides Postoffice



By MARGARET KERNODLE AP Feature Service Writer New York — Under the unrelenting law of averages, you will either give or get a game for Christmas. Santa Claus this year will carry \$20,000,000 worth of games. But Santa Claus won't hand out so many metal and plastic game sets because Uncle Sam, that other man with whiskers, got their first with priorities. Shortage of chip boards and pressed or manufactured boards have inspired more compact designs. Wooden playing pieces have replaced metal ones and many plastic types. Playing-at-war games still are outnumbered three-to-one by parlor escape-type games. Compact, lightweight games find favor as gifts for service men. Of the war inspiration games on the best-selling list, target games lead all the rest. Airplanes, submarines, battleships and parachute troops help test the skill of parlor marksmen with rubber dart equipment and guns that shoot rubber bands. Dog fighting is a dandy in the airplane strategy board pastimes. Marble games use air and naval strategy. Real American games are booms to hostesses. One bonanza is a fast-moving game that seems to combine Michigan, rummy and poker. It originated from chance-taking technique perfected by Mississippi steamboat players 100 years ago. Two to nine persons can play. Also among escape pastimes is a looking-for-gold chart game that includes locations of 193 of the world's most important hidden gold hoards. Idea is to corner the largest. Apartment-house storage problems inspired new designs in miniature bowling and skeet sets that fold neatly away in limited spaces. Badminton and croquet sets for small rooms are ready, too. Hobbies parents and children can share show a big speed-up. Model building sets include most new U.S. Navy and Army equipment. Wood burning, glass painting and metal trapping are fixed up for family entertainment. A game hit must be easy to learn, require little more than an hour to play and sustain interest of all players to the end, according to experts who test the teasers. Guinea pig squads of gamers frequently spend hundreds of hours playing each possible game hit until snags are smoothed away. And when a game is popular it sells in much greater volume than a best-selling book. Popularity of a game usually lasts several years. New games constantly come along and the number of inventors continues like the number of authors. The best thinkers-uppers are people in small towns or on farms.

BEST WISHES May joy and happiness be with you during the Christmas Season and throughout the New Year. J. FRANK HARRINGTON Clerk of Superior Court

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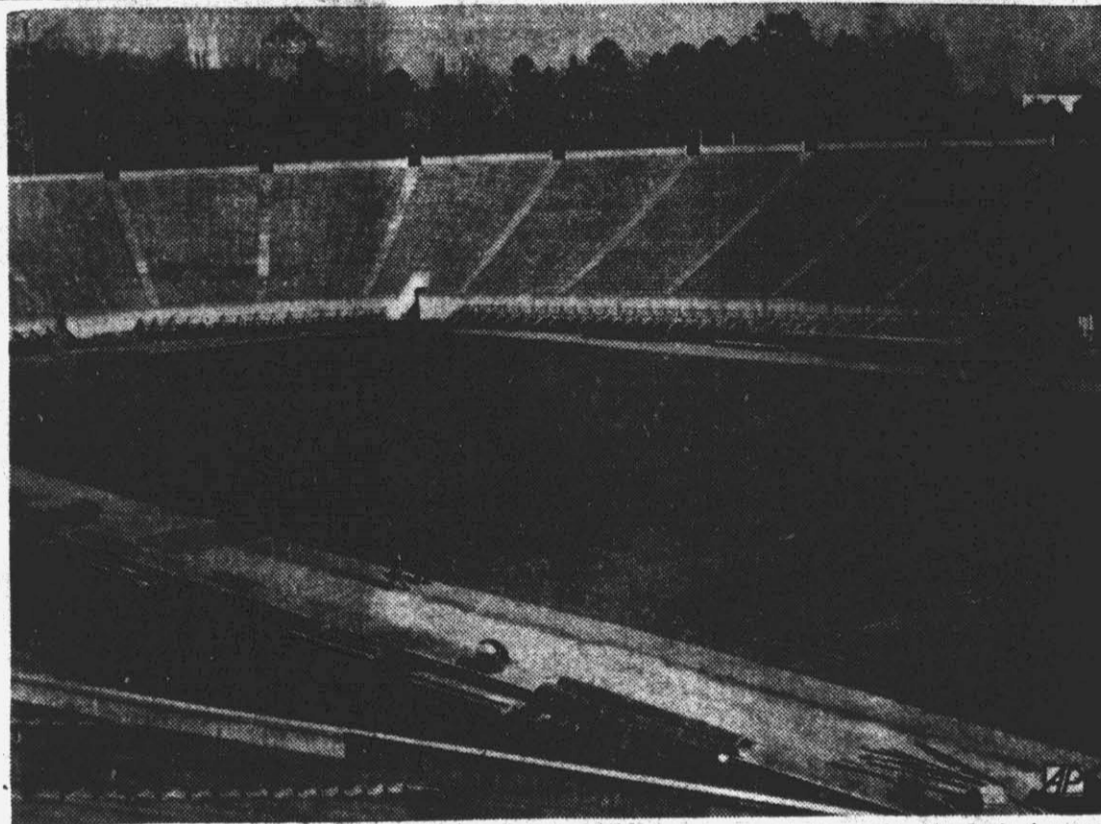


The gracious hostess is one of the familiar roles of Girls Scouts. With simple, inexpensive home decoration, this Girl Scout has arranged a delightful Christmas table. She knows how to cook in a kitchen as well as over a camp fire, and at Christmas her family are the happy beneficiaries.

Orders For Rose Bowl Tickets Pile Up At Duke



With hundreds of letters and telegrams surrounding them, Dayton Dean (sitting), manager of athletics at Duke University, and an assistant work to fill orders for tickets to the Rose Bowl football game between Duke and Oregon State New Year's Day. The assistant is B. O. Shepherd. Dean described the messages shown here as "a small portion of today's orders."



Lumber litters the field in Duke University stadium as workmen erect temporary stands to increase the seating capacity of the stadium for the Rose Bowl game between Duke and Oregon State New Year's Day. A huge canvas has been spread over the playing field to protect the turf from freezing.

12 o'clock noon, on Monday, December 29th, 1941

100.5 ft. to Ridgeway Street; thence South with the line of said Street 60 feet to the BEGINNING; whereon are situate two houses numbered 210 and 212, respectively, which property was conveyed to Edward Shields by deed duly recorded in the Register's Office for Pitt County in Book G-17, at page 575.

Lot No. 18 in Block D, situated in the town aforesaid, on plat of property formerly owned by Manning and Moore as surveyed and plotted by D. C. James, which said plat or map is recorded in Book 1, page 71, of the Public Registry of Pitt County, and BEGINNING at a point on the east side of Ridgeway Street, corner of lot No. 9; thence running E. 160.5 ft. to a stake, corner of lot No. 17; thence with the line of lot No. 17 North 60 ft.; thence West

Want Ads for Results

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Leon Errol Comedy

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Japs Report Raid On Rangoon Areas

Rangoon, Burma, Dec. 23.—(AP) Nine Japanese bombers and one fighter were destroyed and several others seriously damaged in an air battle this morning over Rangoon, a communique said.

WE HAVE A COMPLETE LINE of hog-killing necessities, such as meat salt, sage, sausage seasoning, red and black pepper, meat grinders, wood tubs, and all sizes of butcher knives. J. A. Watson, Seed and Hardware. 18-17

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Three British fighters were lost in battling a large Japanese force raiding this British stronghold.

Tokyo, Dec. 23.—(Official Broadcast Recorded by AP)—Japanese planes made a mass raid on Rangoon this afternoon bombing the airrome, hangars, wharves, railway station, government offices and barracks. It was announced here today.

Several British combat planes were reported shot down and a number of planes destroyed on the ground.

The Japanese planes all "returned unscathed after witnessing the destruction of part of the city," the announcement said.

TODAY AT THE MOVIES

Pitt—BADLANDS OF DAKOTA—with Anne Gwynne, Broderick Crawford

State—ROAD AGENT—on screen. On Stage — SEA BEE HAYWORTH. Midnight show—all new show by Sea Bee Hayworth and Players.

Colony—COWBOY & THE LADY—Gary Cooper, Merle Oberon

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CHEERFUL, EARFUL OF MUSICAL MIRTH



Carolyn Lee getting Bing's ear to divert his attention from Mary Martin in scene from "Birth of the Blues." Paramount musical opening Christmas Day at the Pitt Theatre.

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LOU NOVA 2ND IN TOTAL VOTE

Sports Writers Participate In Nationwide Poll

By ORLO ROBERTSON
New York, Dec. 23.—(AP)—The doubtful honor of being dubbed the No. 1 disappointment of the year goes to the Cleveland Indians without much of an argument.

By a margin of almost two to one, the Indians beat out Lou Nova of the cosmic punch in the opinion of 85 sports writers participating in the Associated Press' annual poll. Thirty-one of the experts said the tribe's slide into a tie for fourth place, 26 games back of the champion Yankees of the American League, after finishing only a game out of the top spot in 1940, was proof that Roger Peckinpaugh's boys deserve the distinction.

Lou Nova, who after a great build-up was knocked out in the sixth round by champion Joe Louis last summer, received 16 votes. One writer split his ballot between Nova and Yogi and the Indians.

The remaining votes were scattered among 16 athletes and teams. Louis Newsom, the big Detroit pitcher, better known as Bo Bo, was the No. 1 failure in the opinion of eight writers. Newsom won only 12 and lost 20 games and his earned run average slipped to 4.61 last season after he pitched the Tigers to the American League pennant in 1940 with a 21-5 record and an earned run mark of 2.83.

Texas' football Longhorns, already mentioned as one of the biggest surprises of the year either in winning, tying or losing, also were considered the top disappointment by seven writers.

Right behind the Longhorns with six votes trailed Stanford's football team, which lost three games after having gone undefeated and winning the Rose Bowl the previous season. Lou Novikoff, the Majors' most publicized rookie, who failed to make good with the Cubs, and Tulane's up-and-down football team were the only others to receive more than one vote. They got two each.

The early ambition of William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, was to be a minister.

Civil Action Asks \$10,000 Damages

A civil action asking \$10,000 for personal injuries and \$400 for property damage has been filed in Pitt Superior Court by T. N. Jones against the Greenville Stockyards and Fountain O'Neal as a result of a collision between a truck and an automobile on the night of August 1.

The suit, filed by Charles H. Whedbee, attorney for the plaintiff, alleged a truck owned by the stockyards company and being driven by O'Neal was being operated in a careless and reckless manner without proper regard for the life and property of others.

Mrs. Virginia Christopher was killed in the collision, just north of the Tar river bridge.

RAF Rains Bombs Arrive In Hawaii For Investigation

London, Dec. 23.—(AP)—The German port of Wilhelmshaven was attacked by planes of the RAF bomber command last night, British officials announced today.

The raid was carried out without the loss of a single plane, an air ministry communique said. It acknowledged, however, the loss of two planes on patrol assignments yesterday.

The government dismissed German air activities overnight with a curt "nothing to report."

Arrive In Hawaii For Investigation

Honolulu, Dec. 22.—(AP)—(Delayed)—The commission appointed by President Roosevelt to investigate the surprise Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, had arrived in Honolulu, it was officially announced tonight.

Justice Owen J. Roberts of the Supreme court, who heads the group, said no statement could be issued at this time, owing to the nature of the inquiry.

The American mink is equally at home on land or under water.



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YES, I KNOW THAT BRUNO--GET COZY WITH HIM AND THEN HE WON'T BE SUSPICIOUS!

THAT IDEA OF DOROTHY'S TO TAKE HIM FOR A RIDE, KNOCK HIM OUT AN THEN LET THE MACHINE GO OVER THE CLIFF SO IT'D LOOK LIKE AN ACCIDENT IS GREAT--- THAT GAL'S GOT BRAINS!

AH! HELLO THERE, FRISCO. HOW ARE YUH FEELIN' T'DAY EH? NICE DAY?

YEH, SURE IT IS, BRUNO GLAD TO SEE YUH.

HMMM-- HE'S SURE FRIENDLY MAYBE HE'S CHANGED HIS MIND ABOUT DISLIKING ME-- BUT THEN IT DOESN'T MAKE MUCH DIFFERENCE-- I'LL HAVE HIM AND THE REST OF THESE CROOKS IN JAIL PRETTY SOON--NOW!

THIMBLE THEATRE--STARING POPEYE

YA TRIED TO BLOW UP ME SHIP! I AM NOT GUILTY YA B'LONG IN IRONS! WHAT IRONS?

I FOUND THESE IN THE SHIP'S HOLD -- ONLY THE KEY IS MISSING WHO THE HECK CARES ABOUT THE KEY?

NOW YER A PRISINGER, WIMPY, AN'A SHIP IS SAFE

SAY, WHAT ABOUT ME? I AIN'T DONE NOTHIN'

OH, MY GORSH! H-M

WHERE IS A KEY? I DIDN'T FIND ANY KEY WITH THE HAND-CLIFFS!

WELL, YOU TWO WILL HAFTA WORK 'AT OUT, YERSELFS!

BLONDIE -- by Young

RING THERE'S THE PHONE, DEAR YOU'RE THE CLOSEST

THIS IS FRED, DAGWOOD-- BEN AND PARKS AND I ARE GOING TO PLAY POOL AND THEN GO TO A STAG PARTY TONIGHT

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PHONE BOOTH MURDER

by Phoebe Atwood Taylor

Chapter 32 The Play Mrs. Hingham's story was simple enough, and it provided the solution to much that he wanted to know, although none of it appeared to concern Ann Joyce. It seemed that Bram Reid, the director, had read and liked and wanted to produce, later in the season, a play whose leading character was a middle-aged school teacher, Mrs. Hingham at once picked the part for herself, but neither Horace nor Bram Reid would even entertain the suggestion that she do it. "They laughed at me! They said a real actress had to play that part! I begged them to let me do the part, and we argued about it all yesterday and all last night till my poor head was whirling! Simply whirling!" "I see," Assey said. "That settles your migraine today, don't it?" Mrs. Hingham looked as if she'd like to hurl a brick at him. "And that's why," Assey continued, "you decided you'd dress up like Miss Olive this afternoon, huh, and show 'em how good you could be? I see. So you went in and swapped Miss Olive's clothes—what time was that?" "Oh, about half-past five! I don't know. Anyway, I slipped in and put on some of Miss Olive's clothes—deadly things! And slipped out the back door. But I never saw Ann Joyce! I haven't seen her since early this morning when she went off to rehearsal! I don't know anything about Ann, or what might have happened to her! I didn't—" "You see anyone lurking around when you left?" Assey interrupted. "Only that fat chauffeur. Mrs. Clutterfield's." "Huh!" Assey said. "So it was you and not Mrs. Downe he seen at the back door. Was the electric lights out then?" Mrs. Hingham said that the street lights went out just as she reached the road in front of the Inn. Dramatically, and with gestures, she described the terrific rain, and how she'd run every step of the road. "I wanted to catch him before he left—I knew he was going out because one of the times I phoned him today I asked him to dine with me, and he said he had a date. I caught him just as he was getting into his car. And he said—" her voice broke, "he said, 'Miss, go home and take the clothes off! He said, 'Take them off, Mrs. Fiske, and be your age!'" "And you did, I see," Assey said. "And what with having been dealt that heavy blow by Bram Reid, you was too worked up to notice Jennie there in the living room, huh?" Mrs. Hingham nodded. "As I went up the stairs someone screamed, and frightened me—I had such an eerie feeling when I entered the Inn then, anyway! And I was simply a terrified pulp when that woman clumped upstairs after me! All I wanted then was to get out of those hideous tweeds before Miss Olive came back—those plain, intelligent women are so serious about their deadly clothes! I thought if I kept quiet, this other woman would go away. But at last, I decided to—" "Bluff your way past us," Assey said. "Uh-huh. And nobody could find fault with that piece of acting. Now, what about this rug business?" Mrs. Hingham presented him with an elaborate and rather poignant explanation. She had refused to lend the rug to Bram Reid for the opening play. Bram had begged her for it, but she had been adamant. Back in her own room, after she had taken several pills to ease the hideous pain of her whirling head, she began to realize how selfish she was. She decided to let Bram have the rug. "By the way," Assey said, "you used the rug for one last try to wheedle Bram Reid into letting you have that part, huh? That was your big gesture, I see. Now, about Ann Joyce—" Mrs. Hingham burst into a flood of praise for Ann Joyce. Ann was a sterling young actress, a fine girl, admirable in every respect, and definitely destined for great success. If Ann had been murdered, the loss to the theater would be beyond belief. Assey let her talk herself out. "Where's Bram Reid now?" Assey asked. "I don't know! Back where he lives in Quisset, I suppose!" Mrs. Hingham was now practically seething. "He wasn't here at all tonight. He phoned he had important business to attend to!" "Where's Horace?" "I don't know!" From the harshness of her tone, Assey gathered that she didn't much care, either. "I don't know anything about Horace!" Mrs. Hingham went on. "I want to look 'em up, answered all your questions, haven't I? Do I have to go to the police barracks?" "That's up to Lieutenant Hanson," Assey told her. "You go back to the Inn and talk with him and see what he decides you got any way to get back there? Got a car? Maybe you better come with me." "In a police car?" Mrs. Hingham wet her lips. "Uh—do you have room for my things? I've got quite a lot that must go back to the Inn tonight. Most of it's in Ronnie's car already. Wouldn't it be all right if I just went with Ronnie?" "Wa-el," Assey said. "Wa-el—go along with him, then. See Hanson right away, and tell him all you told me. Tell him I'll be right back, only I got a little errand to attend to first." Mrs. Hingham looked as if she had just been granted a stay of execution. Assey thought, as he walked back through the lobby. He strolled out to the roadster, where Mrs. Clutterfield was all but buried in road maps. "Figured out your route?" he inquired as he got in. "I've thought and thought," Mrs. Clutterfield told him seriously, "and I've made my choice. I think I'll go via Dedham." Assey looked at her. "You mean via Dedham, Mass.?"

"Dedham's so pretty, I always think," Mrs. Clutterfield missed the irony of Assey's question. "Have you found out anything useful from Mrs. Hingham? Did she tell you why Ann Joyce was dressed up like Miss Olive?" "Philpotts?" "Nope, but I think I know why, now. There's a play Ann wanted a part in, I think. It was a middle-aged part, and Ann'd never taken one like it, and I think this dressing up was to show folks how much she could make herself look the part." "Do you suppose Miss Olive knew about it?" "I don't know. I hope Horace or Bram Reid can settle that." Mrs. Clutterfield isn't that place the girl stayed, the Beeches, near here somewhere?" "Just down by the shore." Mrs. Clutterfield waved a hand toward the fog. "Down there." "I think we'll drop by," Assey said. "Hanson said he'd send someone there as soon as his fella's come, but nobody's said nothing about it. Want to drive me over there, please?" Pushing the road maps out of her way, Mrs. Clutterfield backed the roadster around without even a preliminary quiver, and a few minutes later drew up neatly in front of the Beeches, whose sign said simply, "Guests—Meals—Open." A distraught-looking woman in a gray bathrobe answered Assey's knocks. "Sorry to disturb you," Assey said, "but has a state trooper—" "They're all just gone. All of them—aren't you Assey Mayo? Well, I'm Martha Thorne. Isn't there some way to keep people from taking pictures of this place? What are they taking so many pictures for?" Assey shook his head. "I'd like to, Assey said. "I was going to ask you if you'd show me where Ann lived." He followed her along a succession of halls, and finally she opened a door. "Here. Look. Those are all the things she has. You could put that poor girl's belongings into a suitcase. Everything—except, of course, the pictures of that cat! I can't think why, can you?" Assey picked up the cat and looked at it. "Nope. I guess Hanson's got another of them photographers that likes to enter prize contests. He had one once that drove him nuts, getting the angle shots of evidence—hey!" He put down the cat and pointed to a picture on the bureau. It was a duplicate picture of the bewildered man, the baby, and the girl that Jennie had noticed in Miss Olive's folder! "Oh, that," Mrs. Thorne said. "That came from the packing box." "Who are they?" "I don't know," Mrs. Thorne said. "It was just in things with that cat and the book ends, I told her the man looked to me like a minister. Doesn't he look like a minister to you?" "Philpotts!" Assey said. "That's why Jennie thought of Philpotts! He does look sort of ministerial!" Chapter 33 Miss Olive's "Crush" "There's writing on the back of the picture," Mrs. Thorne said. "See it says, 'Henry with Lucky and Juanita. It is just in things with that cat and the book ends, I told her the man looked to me like a minister, but I never connected him with that exhibition. He must have been a most unusual man, that Ferdinand.'" "That who?" Assey stared at her. "Ferdinand." "Who in time was he?" "He was the photographer in—well, it would be Quisset now, but in those days it was Fochet. Just think, it never occurred to me when Ann showed me this, but it is one of Ferdinand's pictures. Those jardinières of grass, and that spiked iron railing are in every family picture for miles around. Ferdinand must have taken pictures of half the Cape. And what amazes me," Mrs. Thorne added, "isn't just the way his pictures kept—they never faded out white, like some—but the way people kept his pictures. They kept, and so people kept them." "Looky here," Assey said, "Ann Joyce wasn't a Cape Coddler, was she? Was her folks Cape Coddlers?" "Her folks are dead," Mrs. Thorne said. "She's an orphan. I don't think she has any family at all, except this cousin on her mother's side who died. And I'm sure she told me she was born in New York state. She lives in New York now."

Of course, Cape Coddler again, but people always know if they do come from the Cape—are you going to take that picture with you?" "Uh-huh, I wonder," Assey said. "Where are those pictures now that Mr. Philpotts had in his exhibition?" "Why, he just borrowed them from people!" Mrs. Thorne said. "I suppose he gave them back afterwards—is this important, this picture? Is it a Jew?" "I don't know," Assey told her honestly. "If it's a Jew, or just a sort of puzzle, if this fellow with the whiskers really was a minister, then most likely this picture don't mean much. You know, whenever ministers left a church, they used to give everybody a picture of themselves—we got a raft of ministers at home in albums. On the other hand, it's sort of an odd coincidence to have this picture turning up here now, considering! Huh. Did the girl mention any new play she wanted to be in?" "No, she didn't say much about her work. But she seemed kind of excited these last couple of days," Mrs. Thorne said. "I told those troopers so. And I told them that she hadn't any fights or quarrels with anyone, nor any enemy in the world. She was a nice girl! As nice a girl—" "Uh-huh. Mrs. Hingham," Assey said hurriedly before Mrs. Thorne had a chance to launch into any recital of Ann's sterling virtues, "she told me as much just a little while ago. I'm going along now, but if you remember it, anything about this picture, like who Old Whiskers is, I wish you'd contrive to let me know." "Angie Harris's mother could probably tell you. She's ninety-five," Mrs. Thorne said, "and remembers everything. Particularly about ministers. She told Mr. Philpotts lots of things." "Thanks," Assey said. "I think I'll look into her tomorrow." Mrs. Clutterfield Thanks He returned to the roadster, where Mrs. Clutterfield greeted him with an arch salute. "Where to, sir?" she asked brightly. Assey frowned. "I'm torn," he said. "I got this yen to tear a ninety-five-year old woman out of her bed if you remember it, quarter to two! And at the same time I want to see this Bram Reid, and I want to see Horace. Huh, I guess I better see him first. Back to the Inn, please. Tell me, you happen to know Horace's last name?" "His last name?" Like everyone else, Mrs. Clutterfield seemed dumfounded at the suggestion that Horace might possess a last name. "Why, Hingham, of course! Oh, no, it couldn't be Hingham, could it? Isn't that strange, I can't remember!" "Neither can anyone else," Assey said. "What's Horace like, that people remember only half of him?" "Why, you saw him," Mrs. Clutterfield said. "He must have passed by you when you went into the theater to see Mrs. Hingham. He had on shorts and a blazer—" "What? Shorts and a blazer? That fellow! If I was driving," Assey said, "I'd be struggling in a ditch this instant! You mean that blonde youth? Him! He couldn't have been more than twenty!" "He was twenty-six last month. He's a nice boy, but always so tired looking, and always wanting a quarter from someone to buy cigarettes with. He often borrows money from Alfred—really, I've often thought that if Mrs. Hingham were as fond of Horace as she seems, she should really make him a small allowance. Just so he would have a little pocket money. Mr. Mayo." "Uh-huh," Assey said. "Good drivers watch the road." "Mr. Mayo," Mrs. Clutterfield spoke to the windshield wiper, "of course I can't ever solve those little daily mystery cartoons but, do you know a little bird has just told me where Miss Olive went!" "Where?" "You know," Mrs. Clutterfield said coyly, "I think Miss Olive has a crush on Bram Reid! I do. I mean it! She doesn't often talk to people, but last week she and I were both sitting out on the lawn just after Bram had left with Horace, and I said wasn't he still marvelous looking. And do you know what? She unbent! Actually—" "The road," Assey said, "Don't get so worked up that you forget the road now!" "I'm sorry! But she confessed she'd seen everyone of Bram Reid's pictures, and some of them four or five times! I gathered she was going to meet him and talk with him, but she was too shy just to walk up and speak to him. She's awfully shy, really. And when Freddy said tonight—she was talking to that police lieutenant and giving him a description of what Miss Olive was wearing this afternoon—when she said Miss Olive wore a gray hat with a feather, I almost spoke up then." "In 'art where do you think Miss Olive went tonight?" "To the White Horse Grill. You see, while we were talking about Bram Reid, she and I, I suggested that if she ever wanted to see him, she had only to go to the White Horse Grill. Horace told me Bram Reid always has dinner there. Now, Mr. Mayo, I can't even do those lit-

tle mystery cartoons, but I've been wondering if maybe it couldn't be something as simple as that?" She just went to see Bram Reid!" "You suggesting she eloped with him after dinner?" Assey inquired dryly. "No, indeed! Only, because she was wearing that new hat, I decided she must be going somewhere special. You don't," Mrs. Clutterfield pointed out, "wear a new hat if it looks as stormy out as it began to when she left!" "I don't know," Assey said slowly. "If you guess as to what Miss Olive done ain't as good as mine, or anybody else's. Whereabouts in Sketicket is this White Horse place? I don't seem to remember anything of that name." "It used to be the Cass Valencia," Mrs. Clutterfield said, "until about a month ago. Then it got all done over and became the White Horse Grill—" "Whose?" Assey said. "That's on the road to Provincetown! I wonder, now! I wonder if—golly, I'm torn! I ought to get back to the Inn, but if Jennie and I see the real Miss Olive, that's hte way. She was heading from the four corners. I wonder if the place's open all night, like the Valencia used to be?" "I think so. Shall we go there?" "I'm dying," Mrs. Clutterfield said, "to try the new highway! We just simply ought to float!" She floated at such a pace that Assey cautioned her gently. "The cops don't often stop this car, but—uh—it's still foggy. Ease her off a bit." "To think," Mrs. Clutterfield said, "that Alfred always considered 45 going fast! Mr. Mayo, they're still open at the White Horse. See the lights?" "Pull in," Assey said. "I'll go in and ask. Never any harm in asking." He didn't think she noticed that he removed the ignition key as he stepped out of the car, but she commented on the fact in a hurt voice as he closed the door. "You don't trust me, Mr. Mayo!" "No, ma'am," Assey said. "Not on a six-lane highway! I probably won't be two shakes in here—" But a half hour passed before he emerged, and his face, as he got into the roadster, was a study. "Whatever the matter, Mr. Mayo?" Mrs. Clutterfield said. "You look just the way I feel when I try to solve the daily mystery cartoon. Was she there?" "Uh-huh, she was. Mrs. Clutterfield, I wish you'd explain something to me. Why is it that each additional thing I find out, that ought by rights to make things that much easier, only balls things up all the more?" "Exactly!" Mrs. Clutterfield nodded her head enthusiastically. "That's exactly the way I feel about the daily mystery cartoon! She went to see Bram Reid, didn't she?" "Uh-huh. Horace was waiting for her. They talked together a minute and then sat down. Horace got up and made a phone call. While he was phoning, Bram Reid come. The three of 'em had dinner together and—" To Be Continued



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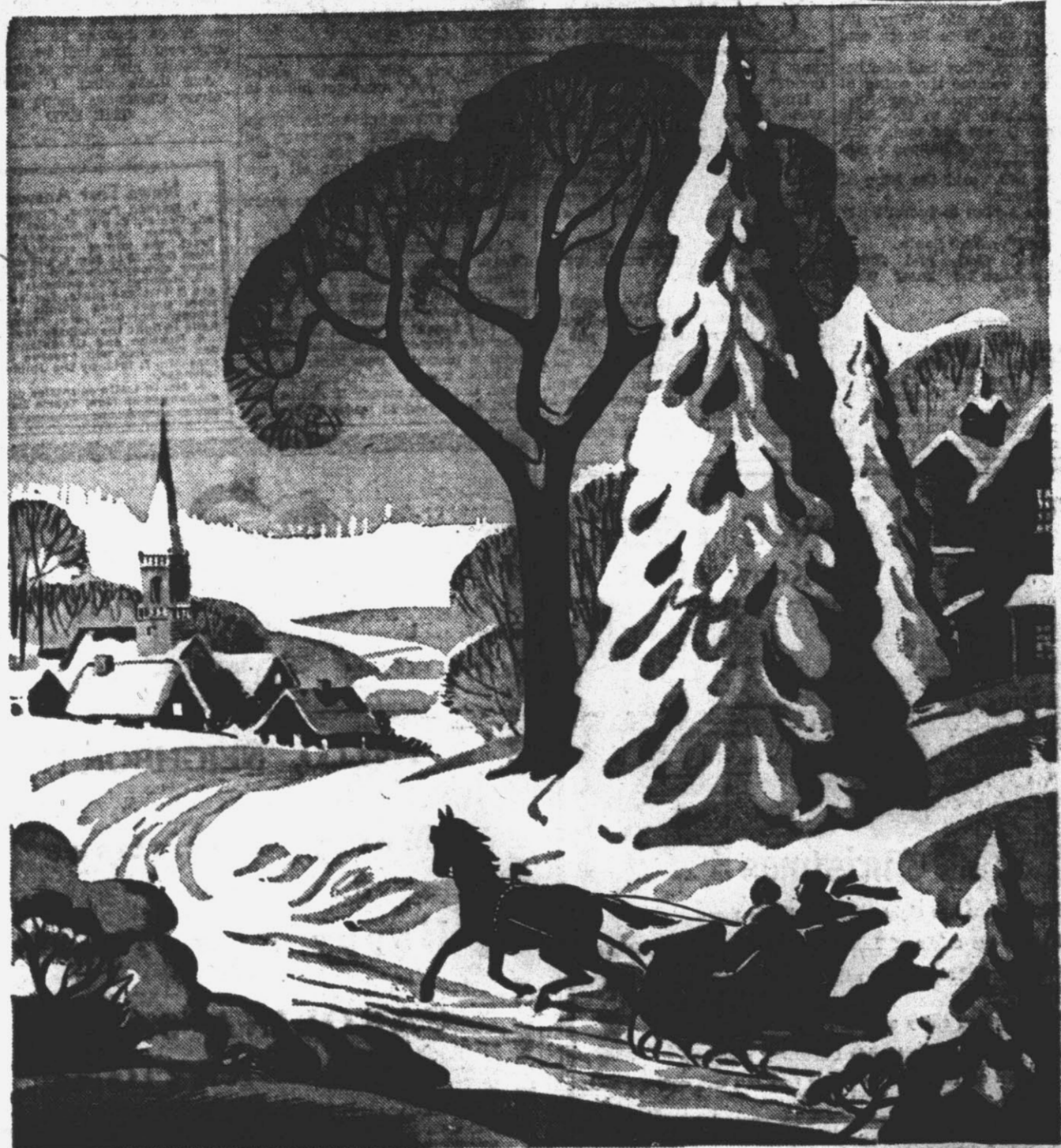
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Santa and the WHITE ROSE
by Sigurd Arne

The Story So Far: Carl, a peasant's son, has captured three witches who tried to destroy the Kingdom of The Wide Rivers. He has been helped by Santa in disguise. He loves the Princess Hildur.

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Chapter Twenty-one
Carl Weds Hildur: Is Made King
Santa and King Harald and Carl and the grandmother watched silently as the little witch floated out of sight on the lily pad.

The air was so quiet that King Harald cocked his head and chuckled. "It was the witch. The sound of the guns had stopped. Let's ride across the bridge into the neighboring kingdom."

The King gave the grandmother a purse of gold, and then he and Santa and Carl turned their horses up the river bank to the wide, white bridge across the river.

They were half way over when they saw two people sitting on horses at the edge of the bridge. "They may shoot," said King Harald.

"No, they won't," said Santa. So the three galloped across. Carl shouted, as they did, "Why, it's the King of the Wide Rivers, and Princess Hildur."

And so it was. They had also become curious because the sound of the guns had stopped. King Harald rode straight up to the King of the Wide Rivers and said, "This fighting must never happen again between our people."

"It never will," said the King of the Wide Rivers. "Have you a plan to prevent it?" asked Carl.

"Have you?" asked Santa. "Yes," said Carl, and Santa chuckled, because he knew what Carl would say.

Carl said, "These two kingdoms are neighbors. The people do the same things. They have farms. They love their children. Princess Hildur will be queen of her realm, and in our realm, King Harald trusts me. I am only a peasant's son, but



Just as he disappeared they heard him call back.

may I ask for Princess Hildur's hand?"

King Harald and the King of the Wide Rivers both laughed. They chorused, "Of course, we knew you wanted that some time ago."

Then Santa pulled a holly leaf from his pocket, rubbed it, and his brown suit was gone. He was dressed in that bright, red suit you and I know.

"Santa Claus," shouted Carl. "Yes," said Santa, "but I couldn't tell you before."

King Harald had been fumbling around his neck. He pulled forth a delicate silver chain and put it around Carl's neck. "This," he said, has always been worn, day and night, by the kings of my land. You have been the bravest one in all this trouble, and I am growing old. So I name you King from this moment on."

Berlin Says Visit No Surprise There

Berlin, Dec. 23.—(Official Broadcast Recorded by AP)—A news broadcast of Transocean News agency said today that British Prime Minister Churchill's visit to Washington "surprised no one here."

"The news of recent days which had reached Berlin left no doubt that discussions about joint conduct of the war between England and the United States x x x had either already begun or were about to begin," said the broadcast.

(Beginning last Friday, Transocean reported at intervals, usually from Stockholm, that it was rumored Churchill had gone either to "Washington or Moscow." Apparently Transocean was not sure of its facts, however, and issued the reports partly for the purpose of smothering out more definite information. Yesterday, for example, less than four hours before Churchill's arrival was announced in Washington, Transocean said opinion in Stockholm was increasingly confident that the British Prime Minister had gone to the Near East).

ried to the court-yard, and there they found their sleigh, and the reindeer. The sleigh was piled high with all our presents for that year. Carl and Hildur followed them, and stood and waved goodbye as long as they could see Santa's sleigh in the clouds. Just as he disappeared, they heard him call back, "Merry Christmas, and many of them."

And that's what I wish you, "Merry Christmas, many of them,"

THE END

News Test Answers

1. Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner, Blitzen.
2. From the Norsemen's Yule feast, the winter solstice festival from Dec. 25 to Jan. 6, the name has come synonymous with Christmas.
3. Nothing. You probably couldn't get it into the place, for Yule logs were great tree trunks ceremoniously carried into Norsemen's halls to light the holiday festivities.
4. Christmas is observed by the Orthodox Church and Ukrainian Orthodox Church on Jan. 7, 1942, by the Julian (old) calendar.
5. No. In Latin countries gifts are exchanged on New Year's Day.

Your News Test
What Do You Know About Christmas

1. Santa Claus has eight reindeer. Name them.
2. What is the origin of Yule as another name for Christmas?
3. Now what would you do with a Yule log in a modern 1-room apartment?
4. How can you enjoy a second Christmas and when?
5. Is gift giving a worldwide Christmas practice?

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